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Seminar

EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

The Making of Environmental and Climate Policies in Brussels

Maastricht (NL), 19-20 April 2010,
to be repeated on 11-12 October 2010



INTRODUCTION

Description

The seminar will provide information on the current climate policy agenda after the Copenhagen conference. What are the latest developments with respect to environmental directives and regulations? Against this background, the role of procedures, institutions and working groups, and committees in the field of environmental and climate policy, will be discussed in detail. How can we understand and influence the decision-making process in the environmental field and what features are relevant for our own work? What are the particularities of DG Environment, the Council working groups and the Environment Committee of the European Parliament? And most importantly for national experts: how are directives negotiated in the working groups of the Council? How has the decision-making framework changed? How do Commissioners and officials in the Commission, Council working groups and COREPER react to the new pressing climate change agenda?

Objectives

The seminar will focus on examples of recent legislation and the role of actors and institutions in the decision-making process. This will be done in an interactive way through simulation games using the examples of recent environmental legislation.

The seminar will also provide updated documentation on policy proposals, working groups and committees, and on important contacts and sources of information in the environment field.

Target Group

The seminar has been designed for officials working in national and regional administrations, non-governmental organisations and academics who deal with or monitor EU environmental and climate policy. It is meant for beginners as well as for officials who wish to update their knowledge of legislation and decision making.

PROGRAMME

Day 1

08.45 Registration of participants

09.00 Welcome and introduction

Martin Unfried, Expert, EIPA, Maastricht (NL)

09.15 Environmental policy in Brussels: how recent directives were made

Martin Unfried

10.45 Coffee break

11.00 The role of the Commission, Council and Parliament

Martin Unfried

12.30 Lunch

14.00 The role and the performance of the Presidency

Jost-Henrik Morgenstern, Researcher, EIPA, Maastricht (NL)

15.15 Coffee break

15.45 The Environmental Attachés group of the Council: current negotiations and practices

Bernd-Ulrich Hildebrandt, German Federal Ministry of Environment, Bonn (DE)

16.45 Final debate

19.00 Dinner at a restaurant in town

Day 2

09.00 Brief summary of the first day

Martin Unfried

09.15 Negotiating the Packaging Directive in the Council working group – a simulation game

Introduction to and simulation of the negotiation of the Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive
EIPA negotiation team: Martin Unfried & Frank Lavadoux

10.45 Coffee break

11.15 Second part of the simulation and evaluation

12.15 Lunch

13.15 Climate Change and more: The coordination of international environmental policy within the EU

Pernille Sørensen, Danish Ministry of Climate and Energy, Global Climate Department, Copenhagen (DK)

14.15 Coffee break

14.45 Practical challenges of the implementation of EU legislation

Ed Eggink, Former Director Environment and Water Policy, Province of Limburg, Maastricht (NL)

16.00 Evaluation and end of the seminar

GENERAL INFORMATION

Programme

The seminar takes place in Maastricht and will commence on Day 1 at 09.00 and will finish on Day 2 at 16.00. Registration of participants on Day 1 starts at 08.45.

Seminar Venue

The seminar will take place at the Bordeaux Conference Room (1.16) of the European Institute of Public Administration, O.L. Vrouweplein 22, NL-6211 HE Maastricht, tel.: +31.43.3296222, fax: +31.43.3296296.

Working language

The seminar will be conducted in English.

Fee

The participation fee is € 650 and includes documentation, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and refreshments. Accommodation and travel costs are at the expense of the participants or their administration.

Hotel

The European Institute of Public Administration will be pleased to make hotel reservations for you at a hotel in Maastricht. We have made a block booking at Hotel Mabi**** (www.hotelmabi.nl), at the rate of ± € 98,- p.p.p.n. including breakfast and tourist tax. Should you wish to make use of this possibility, please indicate the dates of arrival and departure on the registration form. Payment is to be made directly and personally to the hotel on checking out. Please note that if you register after the closing date, hotel reservations cannot be guaranteed.

Meals

Lunches will take place at the Institute's restaurant. Dinner on Day 1 will take place at a restaurant in Maastricht city centre. Should you require a special menu (e.g. vegetarian, diabetic), please inform the Programme Organiser so that this can be arranged.

Registration

Kindly complete the registration form and return it before the closing date of registration to Ms Esther Haenen, Programme Organiser, European Institute of Public Administration, P.O. Box 1229, NL-6201 BE Maastricht. Tel.: +31.43.3296246; fax: +31.43.3296296; e-mail: e.haenen@eipa.eu. You can also submit the on-line registration form. Go to www.eipa.eu, click on EIPA seminars website.

Confirmation

Confirmation of registration will be forwarded to participants on receipt of the completed registration form.

Payment

Prior payment is a condition for participation. Please indicate the method of payment on the registration form. For cancellations received after the closing date of registration indicated on the registration form we will have to charge an administration fee of € 150 unless a replacement participant is found.



REGISTRATION FORM

Surname: Title: M/F
First name:
Current position:
Organisation:
Department:
Work address:
Postal code & town: Country:
Tel. no: Fax no:
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Date of Participation: 19-20 April 2010 **Closing date: 2 April 2010** **Proj. nr.: 1030901**
 11-12 October 2010 **Closing date: 24 September 2010** **Proj. nr.: 1030902**

Payment

The participation fee includes participation in the seminar, documentation, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and beverages **€ 650**

Discount of 10% (Please check first the conditions at www.eipa.eu (FAQ – special discounts)) discount

Method of payment

Bank transfer

The participants or their administration will receive an invoice for the payment of the registration fee.

Invoice address (if different from the abovementioned address):

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HOTEL RESERVATION

Please reserve hotel accommodation for me.

Date of arrival: Date of departure: No. of nights:

No reservation required

MEALS

To all participants 2 lunches and 1 dinner will be served. However, please indicate any special menu if applicable

(e.g. vegetarian, diabetic, glutenfree): Vegetarian: yes fish allowed: yes no

Other:

As the number of places is limited, please return the completed registration form before the closing date to:

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