



17th EXPERTS MEETING
March 17-18, 2010 St. Pölten, Austria

OF THE ECOLOGY WORKING GROUP FOCUSING ON SOIL CONSERVATION OF DANUBE COUNTRIES WORKING COMMUNITY

PROGRAMME Moderation: Erwin Szlezak

March 17, 2010:

12:00 – 14:00 arrival and refreshment at the buffet –
„signature painting with the colors of the earth“ with Irena Racek

14:00 common press photo

Theme: soil protection legislation: Integrating regional, national and European requirements

Opening:

- 14:05 **Christian Steiner** in place of Stephan Pernkopf (Austria)
14:10 **Michal Dzatko** (Slovakia) – chairman of the working group
14:15 **Peter de Martin** (Austria) – general secretary – Working community of the danube regions
14:20 **Anton Reinl** (Austria) Short update on „European Soil Protection Policies including the EU Framework Directive for Soil protection“
14:35 **Roland Norer** (Schweiz) „Best practice and pitfalls of soil protection legislation from a legislator’s perspective“
14:55 **Roland Norer** (Schweiz) soil protection policy: setting the line between legislation and incentives)

Theme: national and regional soil protection laws and related legislation by the country representatives

- 15:15 **Michal Dzatko, Michal Svicek, Pavol Bezak** (Slovakia) „ New aspects of the soil conservation and land use legalization in Slovakia“
15:30 **Marija Romic** (Croatia)
15:45 **Milan Sanka** in place of P. Tlustos (Czech Republic) „Regional programmes for soil protection in the Czech Republic“
16:00 **Lazlo Simon, Tamas Nemeth** (Hungary)
16:15 Coffee break
16:35 **Vlado Licina** (Serbia)
16:50 **Marko Zupan** (Slovenia)
17:05 **Christoph von Heydebrand** (Germany)
17:20 **Peter Dreher** (Baden Württemberg, Germany)
17:30 **Alois Gruber** – soil protection in upper austria (Austria)

17:45 Break

18:00 **Workshop:** “Building together best practice models for legislation
- 18:40 integrating regional, national and European dimensions” Objective: Come up with the key elements of legislation at various levels, don’ts and dos for efficient, administrable soil protection legislation (“white paper”).

18:45 Dinner

19:45 exchange of information about activities and projects
music: Karl Prieler

22:00 end of programme

March 18, 2010:

8:00 - 8:45 breakfast

Theme: soil protection and humus management through voluntary and incentive programmes in the Danube Countries

- 9:00 **Christian Krumphuber** (A) humus management , Director for Crop Production, Chamber of Agriculture, Upper Austria
- 9:30 **Marko Zupan** (SI): Voluntary and incentives programmes for soil protection in Slovenia
- 10:00 **Tamas Nemeth** / L. Simon (HU): Voluntary and incentives programmes for soil protection in Hungary
- 10:30 **Vlado Licina** (SR): Voluntary and incentives programmes for soil protection in Serbia
- 11:00 **Marija Romic** (Croatia): Voluntary and incentives programmes for soil protection in Croatia
- 11:30 Break
- 12:00 **Alex Dellantonio / Walter Wenzel** (Austria) – Soil carbon loss and sequestration – myths and reality
- 12:30 **Josef Springer** (Austria) – agriculture and greenhouse gases
Austria
- 13:00
-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 **Peter Mayrhofer** (Austria) – „PlaneteGHG“ (GreenHouse Gases) – Presentation of the french method for the calculation of Carbon sequestration in agricultural soil and biomass as part of the greenhouse gas balance of the farm
- 14:30 **Manfred Swoboda** (Austria) – Composting and biogas in Lower Austria
- 15:00 **Wilfried Hartl** (Austria) Boden und Pflanze
- 15:30 summing - up and common statement
- 16:00 end of programme

Departure – transport to railway station St. Pölten possible