

Building Bridges between Regions

First forum of exchange of experience

April 3, 2014

Agenda

Introduction

- Background and goals, agenda – Ms. Tsvetelina Borissova Filipova, *Senior Expert, REC, moderator*
- Introduction of participants to the forum (short round of brief introduction)

Exchange of experience between Aarhus Parties and stakeholders, and ECLAC stakeholders

3-4 key note speakers from ECE region will share experience on the preparations for and the negotiations of the Aarhus Convention. Speakers come from the level of Aarhus MoP, Parties, NGOs and other stakeholders. After each key note speaker questions can be put, followed up by a moderated discussion. Questions were also sent by LAC NGOs for orientation for speakers.

Topics:

- **The Aarhus experience on advocating for a strong legally binding instrument with governmental stakeholders** - Mr. Jit Peters, *Chair, Aarhus MoP* and Mr. Jerzy Jendroska, *Member of the Aarhus Compliance Committee*
- **Ensuring input by CSOs and other stakeholders into the Aarhus negotiating process** - Mr. Jeremy Wates, *Secretary General, EEB* and Ms. Magda Toth Nagy, *Project Consultant, REC*

Presentations, questions and answers, discussion.

Conclusions, next steps and closure

Ms. Tsvetelina Borissova Filipova, *REC*