



Building bridges between regions

AGENDA

Implementation of Principle 10 and the Aarhus Convention

July 2, 2014 ■ 13.00-14.50 ■ Room 0.4

The side event brings together parties, signatories and other stakeholders of the Aarhus Convention as well as stakeholders of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) to exchange experiences from the negotiation, ratification and implementation of the Aarhus Convention and learn from each other in order to support the development of the Principle 10 instrument in ECLAC region. It also establishes ties between these processes and actors.

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- 13:00** **Gathering**, lunch will be offered
- 13:15** **Opening and welcome**
Ms. Marta Szigeti Bonifert, Executive Director, REC
Mr. Jeremy Wates, Secretary General, EEB
Mr Zaal Lomtadze, Chief, Environment for Europe and Sustainable Development Section, Environment Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
Mr. Carlos de Miguel, Head of Policies for Sustainable Development Unit, Sustainable Development & Human Settlements Division, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- 13:30** **Panel discussion dedicated to the experiences of Aarhus Convention implementation in the light of the future ECLAC process**
- Highlights of the impact success and challenges of the Aarhus Convention by **Mr. Jerzy Jendroska**, Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee member
 - Impacts of Access Rights on the ground: The real functioning of the Aarhus Convention by **Mr. Csaba Kiss**, Coordinator of Justice and Environment, Executive Director of EMLA, Hungary
- Questions-answers, facilitated by **Mr. Jeremy Wates**, Secretary General, EEB
- 13:50** **Panel discussion dedicated to the development of the Principle 10 instrument in the ECLAC region**
- Introduction to the key issues of developing a Principle 10 instrument in the ECLAC region by **Ms. Constance Nalegach**, Focal Point, Ministry for Environment, Chile and **Ms. Mariamalia Jimenez Coto**, Focal Point, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Costa Rica, government representatives, and **Ms. Andrea Sanhueza**, Coordinator, The Access Initiative, Global Secretariat, Chile and **Ms. Danielle Andrade**, Legal Director, Jamaica Environment Trust, Jamaica, NGO representatives.
 - Reflections on the future instrument and exchange of experiences on the Aarhus negotiations in the light of the ECLAC process; Contribution by speakers from the ECLAC region and from the Aarhus Convention side
- Questions-answers, discussion facilitated by **Mr. Jeremy Wates**
- 14:50** **Conclusions and future steps** within the “Building Bridges between Regions” project by **Ms. Marta Szigeti Bonifert**, REC Executive Director

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