

### **NOISE IN EUROPE**

# 24 April 2017 European Commission, Charlemagne Building Rue de la Loi 170, B-1040 Brussels

# **Programme**

## **Morning: Setting the scene**

8.00-8.45: Registration + Welcome coffee (offered)

9.00-11.30: Keynote session

**Room: GASP** *Keynote introductions* 

The **Keynote introductions** will address ongoing and future initiatives concerning environmental noise policy.

- Karmenu Vella, European Commissioner for the Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
- Violeta Bulc, European Commissioner for Transport

## Keynote speeches

In the **Keynote speeches**, the **World Health Organisation** will outline the latest findings on the health implications of noise, the **European Environment Agency** will detail the exposure that European citizens face to harmful levels of noise, and the **European Commission** will present the findings of the evaluation of the Environmental Noise Directive and activities aimed at reduction of noise pollution in the Union.

- Daniel Calleja, Director General, European Commission DG Environment
- **Zsuzsanna Jakab**, Regional Director for Europe, World Health Organisation (WHO)
- Hans Bruyninckx, Executive Director, European Environment Agency (EEA)
- John Ryan, Director, European Commission DG Health and Food Safety

#### Keynote reactions

**Members of the European Parliament** are invited to make statements to share their experience and highlight best practices.

- Adina V\u00e4lean, MEP, Chair of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety
- Merja Kyllönen, MEP
- Nicola Caputo, MEP

#### Chair:

• Daniel Calleja, Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

11.15-11.30: Coffee Break

11.30-13.00: The perspective of Member States

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The **EU Presidency** and representatives of **ministries** from Member States will then outline their views on the future environmental noise policy.

*Speakers (short interventions)* 

- Peter Knitsch, State Secretary, Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Conservation and Consumer Protection of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (MKULNV-NRW),, Germany
- Željko Plazonić, State Secretary, Ministry of Health, Croatia
- **Cédric Bourillet,** Chef de Service, Ministère de l'Environnement, de l'Énergie et de la Mer (MEEM), France
- Gertrud Sahler, Head of Department, German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz, Bau und Reaktorsicherheit), Germany
- Mag. Ingrid Felipe Saint Hilaire, Deputy Governor, Government of Tyrol, Austria
- Kadri-Piibe Luik, Chief specialist, Estonian Road Administration, Estonia
- **Neil Kerr,** Deputy Permanent Representative of Malta to the European Union, Ministry for European Affairs, Malta

#### Chair:

 Joanna Drake, Deputy Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

13.00 - 14.00: Networking lunch (offered)

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### Afternoon: Quantification of pressures and policy solutions

14.00 – 16.00: Parallel sessions

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**The afternoon session** will allow stakeholder organisations, scientists, NGOs and other associations interested in environmental noise to discuss in parallel groups:

- their perception of noise as a health issue, including possible policy approaches and best measures to address them;
- which policy approaches will help to implement and enhance already existing solutions, and how they could be further improved; and
- recent scientific evidence of the health implications of environmental noise.

# Parallel session 1: Ideas for policy options

### **Speakers**

- Libor Lochman, Executive Director, Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER)
- Olivier Jankovec, Director General, European region of Airports Council International (ACI-Europe)
- William Todts, Executive Director, Transport & Environment (T&E)
- Dominique Lazarski, President, European Association Against Aircraft Nuisances (UECNA)
- Filipe Araújo, City councilor for Innovation and Environment, Porto Municipality
- Alfred J. Kloos, Technical Affairs Director, European Automobile Manufacturers' Association (ACEA)

#### Moderator:

• Jeremy Wates, Secretary General, European Environment Bureau (EEB)

#### Room: JENS Parallel session 2: Evidence of health effects of noise

### **Speakers**

- Elizabet Paunovic, Head of Bonn Office, World Health Organisation (WHO)
- Roberta Savli, Deputy-Director, Health and Environment Alliance
- Stephen Stansfeld, Professor, Wolfson Institute of Preventive Medicine
   Queen Mary University, London
- **Göran Pershagen**, Head of Environmental Epidemiology Unit, Institute of Environmental Medicine, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm
- Rainer Guski, Professor, Faculty of Psychology, Ruhr-Universität, Bochum

### Moderator:

 Brigitte Schulte Fortkamp, Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Transport Systems, TU Berlin

## Room: MANS Parallel session 3: Strategy for effective noise control

### **Speakers**

- **Steve Phillips**, Secretary-General, Conference of European Directors of Roads (CEDR)
- Jean-Pierre Loubinoux, Director General, International Railway Federation (UIC)
- Giuseppe Pagnano, Head of Unit, Coordinating Project Officer, CleanSky2
   Joint Undertaking
- Giovanni Brero, President, European Noise Barriers Federation (ENBF)
- Sergio Luzzi, President, VIENROSE

#### Moderator:

Jorge Patrício, President, European Acoustic Association (EAA)

16.00-16.20: Coffee Break



16.20-16.40: Plenary session with feedback from each parallel session

**Room: GASP** The presentations and outcomes of the discussions will feed into the reflection on

future environmental noise policy.

Chair:

 Joanna Drake, Deputy Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

16.40-18.00: Reception cocktail (offered)

