

ENEP BULLETIN

European Network of Environmental Professionals



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues,

I speak to you for the first time as President of ENEP. Let me start by saying how grateful and proud I am to be elected by the General Assembly in Rome in October. I sincerely hope to be as successful in my job as my predecessor, Jan- Mak, whom I admire a great deal and also want to thank, on behalf of the entire Network, for his work and commitment over the past years.

To unite and inspire

Being involved within ENEP for more than 7 years now, first as liaison officer of Vlamex and since 2009 as part of the Executive Committee, I understand the call for action and real results that was made during the last General Assembly. I have also witnessed that it is not easy for a widely spread network organisation like ENEP to address everybody's needs and desires. To find the proper solution that suits all of our Members, it is my job to understand in the first place each and everybody's objectives and constraints.

Over the next months I will invite each Member Association of ENEP to have a real conversation, with the sole purpose to learn what it is that ENEP can do for you. At the same time, I want to ask how far each Member is willing to commit itself to actively participate to the Network. Two major questions on which the answers will make it possible for us to clarify our focus, so that we are able to unite and inspire environmental professionals from across the continent.

At the same time I am determined to bring ENEP to as many professionals across Europe as possible, helping them

to engage with colleagues in other countries and to raise their profile with the European institutions.

Executive Committee

The newly elected Executive Committee now counts 6 committed Directors. During our first meeting we agreed that each Director will pick up the lead responsibility on a specific subject, making the role and work of the Executive Committee more transparent to the Network. The purpose of this Bulletin is to inform you about the allocated tasks and responsibilities of each Director as well as about the policy that this Executive Committee wants to carry out from this day on. I am confident that with your help, we will be able to guide this Organisation qualitatively on its growing path.

Action Plan and Budget 2014

The General Assembly made it clear that the first task of the newly elected ExCo was to define an activity program for 2014 and present a balanced budget to our Members before yearend. We have prepared such an Action Plan also taking into account the accepted Membership fee structure for 2014. This Action Plan is based upon our Business Plan, addressing the strategic goals of our Organisation. As always, an Action Plan is a dynamic working document, making it possible for the management and Members of ENEP to maintain focus during the year, but at the same time react if needed to the opportunities and threats that come along. We invite each Member Association to evaluate this Plan and produce constructive comments if needed.

A critical success factor of each network organisation is that the ideas and the content needs to come from the Members and Professionals themselves. I therefore invite you to become my

partner and commit yourself to getting actively involved in our Network. It is worth it!

*Kristof De Smet,
President*

ENEP ACTIVITIES 2014 CONSULTATION

The ExCo has previously circulated the proposed ENEP priority activities for 2014. These priorities are selected to meet the desires expressed by the General Assembly as much as possible within the 2014 budget. The ExCo would like to

invite the member associations to indicate their priorities in this document. The deadline for responding with an updated document (or to say that you agree with the ExCo's priorities) has been extended until Friday 20 December 2013.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITES

The Executive Committee, as appointed by the General Assembly of 18 October 2013, counts 6 people, each appointed within a lead role as follows:

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| President | Kristof De Smet, Belgium | (KDS) |
| Vice-President | Bruno Weinzaepfel, France | (BW) |
| Vice-President | Mario Grosso, Italy | (MG) |
| Vice-President | Adam Donnan, UK | (AD) |
| Treasurer | Herman-Jan Wijnants, Neth. | (HJW) |
| General Secretary | Elisa Vignaga, Italy | (EV) |

| Task | Lead | Back-up |
|--|------|---------|
| A. Finance & budget | HJW | BW |
| B. Human resources (internally & externally) | AD | HJW |
| C. ICT | MG | AD |
| D. Public relations & communication | AD | MG |
| E. Direct marketing & sponsorship | EV | KDS |
| F. New members & members account management | EV | BW |
| G. Legal & administration | HJW | KDS |
| H. Management of working groups & task forces | BW | MG |
| I. Targeted services management | KDS | EV |
| General management of ExCo | KDS | ExCo |

The idea after a clear allocation of the tasks and responsibilities to the members of the Executive Committee is two-fold:

- 1) To make the Committee as efficient as possible. The quality of the work performed by the Executive Committee is a result of good governance and clear management

of its resources. Because the time spent by the ExCo-members is too valuable, it is the ExCo's first concern to become as efficient as possible.

- 2) To make the performance of ExCo more transparent to the Member Associations and other stakeholders, so that it is also easy for them to direct their questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions directly to the right person. Each ExCo-Member is obligated to manage his or her responsibility properly, meaning each ExCo-member has to draft a report in preparation of each ExCo-meeting, offering a basis to our Coordinator to fix the Agenda and Minutes of each meeting, and also making it possible to communicate towards our Member Association after each ExCo-meeting in a more structured manner.

'SAVE THE PLANET' WILL HOST THE EUROPEAN WASTE MANAGEMENT DAY

Taking into account the current challenges, the Exhibition & Conference 'Save the Planet' will stimulate the technological progress in waste management and recycling sectors in South-East Europe. The Region is at its early stage of this important process and the focus is moving on the prevention and recycling. This opens new investment opportunities related to renewal of old infrastructure and construction of new systems.

The event will be a meeting point for producers and buyers of environmental equipment, developers, local and state authorities, branch associations.

The Conference

A highlight in 2014 will be the European Conference Day 'Best Practices in Waste/Resource Management among the EU 28', organized in collaboration with the Association of Cities and Regions for Recycling and Sustainable Resource Management (ACR+) and European Network of Environmental Professionals (ENEP).

A speaker lineup will include experts from the European Commission - DG REGIO

and DG Environment, ACR+, ENEP who will present the key updates and overview future market opportunities:

- EU Legislative Developments
- Partnerships Between Public & Private Sectors
- Effective Waste Reduction & Recycling Strategies
- Innovation in Waste

The Exhibition

The exhibition will showcase the latest technologies treating waste in an environmentally manner and enable to get new valuable resources.

Austria is again a supporting country due to its remarkable achievements which will be demonstrated at the traditional Austrian Pavilion.

EREMA, Polytechnik, Komptech, Weiss, Brothers Pashev, Composting Queen and Ecorec Bulgaria are among the exhibitors.

Brochure 'Save the Planet' - http://via-expo.com/htdocs/images/fm/Save%20the%20Planet_web.pdf

For more info: www.viaexpo.com

COAMB LAUNCHES THE 'IDEAS COMPETITION PREVENTION' ON TWITTER

As part of the celebration of the European Week for Waste Reduction, COAMB launched the Ideas Competition Prevention, with the aim of promoting the

dissemination of ideas of waste prevention, particularly those daily activities that we do and we'd like to share.

The European Week for Waste Reduction borns from a project supported by the LIFE+ Programme of the European Commission, which is to organize for a week across Europe different types of awareness on prevention waste.

The profile of the COAMB Twitter, @COAMBcat was the environment around which revolved the competition. Participants presented their ideas in a

tweet explaining how it would help move toward a world with less waste.

Three awards were established according to each category: the most popular idea, the most popular photo and the best idea for promoting reuse.

The contest started on Saturday 16 November and ended on Sunday 24 November.

COAMB, MEMBER OF THE JURY IN THE LATEST EDITION OF FICMA

The International Festival of Environmental Film (FICMA) just closed its 20th edition, held in Barcelona between 1 and 10 November. In total, there have been 70 new films. One of the novelties of this year was that FICMA joined to the Goldman Awards Festival. These awards recognize environmental anonymous heroes of the six inhabited continents.

COAMB participated for the second consecutive year as a member of the jury, particularly in the categories of short film and short film.

The winners this year are as follows:

- Award for best long documentary: ex-aequo Pandora 's Promise and Sand Wars
- Award for Short Documentary: Welcome to Fukushima
- Award for Best Short Film: Bendito Machine IV - Fuel the Machines

In the category of short film was also recognized Two tomatoes and a destination, with the prize UNIFICMA. The Golden Sun FICMA delivers a special award to individuals and entities that show respect for environmental values and human rights. This year the winners were the writer and director Fernando López Mirones and WWF Spain.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Weblink</u> | <u>Notes</u> |
|------------------|--|-------------------|---|--------------|
| 13 December 2013 | AFIE Conference on Biodiversity | Lille, France | TBC | |
| 18 December 2013 | Smart, Green and Integrated Transport Information Day 2013 | Brussels, Belgium | http://tinyurl.com/pukkseb | |

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| 5-7 March 2014 | Save the Planet - the South-East European Exhibition & Conference on Waste Management, Recycling & Environment | Sofia, Bulgaria | www.viaexpo.com | |
| 18 March 2014 | Biodiversity Offsetting: From Policy to Practice | Birmingham, UK | www.cieem.net | |
| 8-9 April 2014 | Water & Environment 2014: CIWEM's Annual Conference | London, UK | Contact Lauren Goozee lauren@ciwem.org | |
| 10-11 April 2014 | ENEP Spring 2014 General Assembly | Bucharest, Romania | TBC | |
| 22 May 2014 | 6 th European EMS Forum | Brussels, Belgium | TBC | Organised by ENEP's EMS Working Group |
| Autumn 2014 | ENEP Autumn General Assembly | TBC | TBC | |
| 5-7 November 2014 | 7th Symposium on Non-CO ₂ Greenhouse Gases | Amsterdam, Netherlands | www.ncgg.info | |
| 5-6 November 2014 | CIEEM Autumn Conference – Habitat Creation and Restoration | Scotland | www.cieem.net | |

ABOUT ENEP

ENEP is the European Network of Environmental Professionals, which seeks to promote and coordinate the professional status, level and content of environmental work and of those working in this field.

Its objectives are:

- to be the representative organisation for all Environmental Professionals across Europe;
- to promote and co-ordinate environmental work and environmental professionals while recognizing the separate identities of its member organisations;



- to promote adherence to environmental professional standards as one of the essential prerequisites for achieving sustainability;
- to influence and implement the environmental policy, science and education agenda throughout Europe.

It will do so by being respected for its adherence to sound science rather than political lobbying but will be proactive where supported by scientific or technical evidence. Where possible it will also use its influence within the global context, beyond the European boundaries.

For full statutes and how to become a member association of ENEP, please consult the website: www.environmentalprofessionals.org

The European Network of Environmental Professionals (ENEP) is the trading name of the European Federation of Associations of Environmental Professionals (EFAEP).

ENEP MEMBERS

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| AFIE, France | COAMB, Spain | VBU, Germany |
| AFITE, France | CSPZP, Czech Republic | VDI, Germany |
| AIAT, Italy | FAEP, Finland | VMD, Belgium |
| AIN, Italy | CIEEM, UK | VMx, Belgium |
| AISA, Italy | IES, UK | VNU, Germany |
| ASEP, Switzerland | OVED, Belgium | VVM, the Netherlands |
| ATEGRUS, Spain | REA, Romania | |
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