

Workshop on "Green" voluntary mechanisms (or EMAS and Ecolabeling)

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Venue :

**Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia
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great conference hall**

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Aim of the meeting :

Exchange of information and experiences from EU countries and experts on “Green” voluntary initiatives will be useful for public authorities (ministries, agencies, accreditation bodies, etc.) in improving their capacities, but also for business community, in getting practical tools for the improvement of their competitiveness.

The Serbian Eco label system has been recently established and it could be a good opportunity to exchange experiences in the initial phase, in order to further develop and improve the system itself. Also, ISO 14000 is relatively well known in Serbia, but the EMAS system and its advantages is new and therefore, needs to be explained to all stakeholders, especially to government authorities and business sector.

Finally, the aim of this meeting will be to clarify procedures and specific questions on the implementation of Green voluntary mechanisms, such as EU and national eco-labelling systems, EMAS I, II, III, Green public procurement, integrated product policy, eco-design of products, ISO and EN standards, etc., as well as business networking of all participants.

Day 1, 29 May 2012

Chair: Mr. Dusan Stokic, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia

09:00	Registration of participants
09:30	Welcome address and opening of the seminar Representative of the Ministry of Environment, Mining and Spatial Planning Representative of Delegation of the EU to The Republic of Serbia Representative of Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia
10:00	Voluntary instruments (information based instruments) and obligations* of Member States / Candidate Countries in implementation of those instruments (Eco labeling, EMAS – connection with IPP and GPP) *focus on Eco-labeling and EMAS in Candidate Country (Serbia) Mr. Pavel Misiga, European Commission – DG Environment Directorate C: Sustainable Resources Management, Industry & Air (video conference)
10:45	Questions & Answers
11:00	Coffee break
11:15	Current state in Serbia regarding Ecolabeling and EMAS – Presentation of National Ecolabeling System Mr. Rade Ostojic, Ministry of Environment, Mining and Spatial Planning – Department for Standards and Cleaner Production
11:45	Questions & Answers
12:00	Lunch break
13:15	EU Ecolabel Scheme – elements for implementation Ms. Stefania Ministrini, Responsible for the Ecolabel Sector, Service for Environmental Certifications ISPRA (ex APAT), Italian Institute for Environmental Protection and Research
14:00	Voluntary instruments in Czech Republic – general overview Mr. Daniel Hájek, Ministry of Environment, Czech Republic
14:45	Questions & Answers
15:00	Coffee break
15:30	Coordination and cooperation at national, regional and European level within the EU Ecolabel scheme Ms. Stefania Ministrini, Responsible for the Ecolabel Sector, Service for Environmental Certifications ISPRA (ex APAT), Italian Institute for Environmental Protection and Research
16:00	Discussion and Final Conclusions

Day 2, 30 May 2012

Chair: Mr. Rade Ostojic, Ministry of Environment, Mining and Spatial Planing

09:00	Registration of participants
09:30	GPP in Czech Republic Mr. Daniel Hájek, Ministry of Environment, Czech Republic
10:15	EMAS Implementation Experience in UK Mr. Nigel Carter, Principal Advisor, En-venture
11:00	Questions & Answers
11:15	Coffee break
11:30	EMAS registrations across the EU Mr. Nigel Carter, Principal Advisor, En-venture
12:15	Questions & Answers
12:30	Lunch break
13:30	Correlation of EMAS and ISO 14001 (Recommendations for implementations) Ms. Dragana Petrović, Victoria Consulting a member of Denkstatt Group, Serbia Questions & Answers
14:15	Discussion and Final Conclusions
15:00	End of Seminar

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