

EU Biodiversity and Nature Directors meeting

Draft Agenda

Wednesday 23 April

19:30 – 21:00 | Welcome Buffet Dinner at Titania Hotel

Thursday 24 April – SESSION I - OPEN SESSION

08:30 – 09:00 | **Registration**

09:00 – 09:30 | **Welcome** and opening speeches by:

- Ms K. Giannakopoulou, General Secretary of the Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Climate Change
- Ms A. Mourmouri, Director General for the Environment, Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Climate Change
- Ms Pia Bucella, Director of Directorate B Natural Capital (ENV B), European Commission

Agenda and Structure of the meeting

09:30 – 11:30 | **Item 1 – Financing** (presentations followed by discussion)

- Overview of nature and biodiversity financing under new EU funds. Presentation by European Commission
- Hungary's experience in integrating Natura 2000 and biodiversity in programming documents. Presentation by Rozália Érdiné Szekeres, Hungarian Ministry of Rural Development, Department for Nature Conservation
- Experience with integration of Natura 2000 and biodiversity priorities in various EU funds – Perspective from the Slovak Republic. Presentation by Rastislav Rybanič, Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic

11:30 – 12:00 | *Coffee Break*

12:00 – 13:30 | **Item 2 – Target 1 of Biodiversity Strategy** (presentations followed by discussion)

- Marine Natura 2000 designation : main issues. Presentation by Laurent Roy, French Water and Biodiversity Director
- Alpine Biogeographical process. Presentation by Christian Ploessnig, Austrian Amt der Tiroler Landesregierung, Abteilung Umweltschutz
- Cooperating with Europe's land owners, managers and users' for achieving the targets of the EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy. Presentation by Charlotte Simon (FACE) and Marie-Alice Budniok (ELO)

13:30 – 14:30 | *Light Lunch*

- 14:30 – 16:00 | **Item 3 – Target 2 of Biodiversity Strategy** (presentations followed by discussion)
- Estonian experience on Green Infrastructure. Presentation by Hanno Zingel, Estonian Ministry of the Environment
 - NNL – German experience. Presentation by Christiane Paulus, German Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety
 - NGO views on target 2 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy. Presentation by Alberto Arroyo Schnell (EHF)
- 16:00 – 16:30 | *Coffee Break*
- 16:30 – 17:00 | **Item 4 - Target 5 of Biodiversity Strategy** (briefing followed by discussion)
- Brief introduction on latest developments on IAS
- Any other Business**
- Update on preparations for the IUCN/WPC2014 – Presentation by Luc Bas, IUCN
- 17:30 - 19:30 | *Visit to Acropolis Museum*
- 20:00 – 22:00 | *Dinner at Orizontes on Lycavittos Hill*

Friday 25 April – SESSION I (OPEN SESSION - CONTINUATION)

- 08:00 | Departure
- 09:00-12:00 | Visit to the National Park of Parnitha
- 12:00-13:00 | *Light Lunch in Mpafi Refuge*
- 13:00-14:15 | Return to the hotel

Friday 25 April - SESSION II (CLOSED SESSION)

- 14:30 – 16:00 | Discussion and outcomes on the basis of issues raised in the open session – Financing
Preparing joint recommendations for fisheries measures for Natura 2000 sites under the new CFP
- 16:00 – 16:15 | *Coffee Break*
- 16:15 – 17:45 | Discussion and outcomes on the basis of issues raised in the open session – Target 1
- 17:45 – 18:00 | Discussion and outcomes on the basis of issues raised in the open session – Target 2
Closure of the meeting
- 20:30 – 22:00 | *Light Dinner at Titania Hotel*