

***COMMON FORUM on Contaminated land in the  
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*Meeting agenda and information*



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# COMMON FORUM ON CONTAMINATED LAND

Stuttgart– 12 September 2007

Meeting location: conference centre Scandic Hasselbacken, Stockholm, same as ICCL

## *Agenda*

Wednesday 12 September 2007

<b>Session 1</b> <i>(10:00-11:30)</i>	<b>WELCOME AND GENERAL MATTERS</b>	
09:00	Welcome and Short information about the meeting	Joop Vegter
09:10	News and views from the COMMON FORUM, tour the table	All members
<b>Session 2</b> <i>(11:00 –13:00)</i>	<b>DISCUSSION ABOUT CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AROUND THE PROPOSED SOIL FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE</b>	
10.10	Introduction to the discussion	Joop Vegter
10:30	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>	
11:40	Discussion	
13.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30	Continuation of Discussion	
15:30	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>	
16:00	Continuation of Discussion	
16:30	Conclusions and suggestions for COMMON FORUM actions concerning EU soil policy	
<b>Session 3</b> <i>(17:00-17:30)</i>	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b>	
17:00	Any other business, next meetings, Closure of the meeting	
17:30	End of the meeting	

## **Additional information about the meeting agenda**

### ***SESSION 1J: WELCOME & GENERAL MATTERS***

After the opening and welcome we will have our traditional Tour the Table. Every participant will have a 2-3 minute time slot to introduce him/herself and to make a short statement about her/his expectations and experiences concerning the discussions around the Soil Framework Directive and about national approaches. New participants from Romania and Portugal are especially welcomed.

### ***SESSION 2J: DISCUSSION ABOUT CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AROUND THE PROPOSED SOIL FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE***

The COMMON FORUM agenda committee decided to devote as much time as possible to a discussion about the current developments of the EU Soil Framework Directive. If available the proposal from the Portuguese presidency will be the focal point of the discussion. Only a 'Footnote document' is available ( included in the meeting documents : Footnote doc SFD) but I did not receive further proposals at the time I sent this agenda. So, COMMON FORUM members are requested to bring this document to the meeting if it is available short before the meeting. If the document is not available the secretariat will propose some alternatives for discussion, based on documents we produced before the previous meeting in Stuttgart and the COMMON FORUM suggestions for text changes in the contamination part of the SFD. Both documents (SFDCOMFOR2 and SFDCOMFORDRAFT 4) are sent together with this agenda. Those of you who are following the discussion in European Parliament may have noticed that COMMON FORUM had some influence on the draft reports of the ENVIRONMENT committee. The discussion in European parliament will be quite dynamic however in view of the many amendments of EP members.

(see:<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/registre/recherche/RechercheSimplifiee.cfm?langue=EN> and type "soil" in the search field)

A complete analysis of all these amendments is beyond the scope of the COMMON FORUM meeting but we may discuss some main issues from the draft report and the second part of the amendments which deal with contamination(both documents are included with this meeting agenda and information)

### ***SESSION 3J: CLOSING SESSION***

We will have to choose the location of our next meeting and propose issues for the agenda. There is an opportunity to meet during the free afternoon at the CONSOIL conference in Milan 3-6 June 2008 (see [www.consoil.de](http://www.consoil.de)) but a stand alone COMMON FORUM meeting early 2008 is necessary in view of the current developments