

SUSCO Budapest 2014

Sustainable Development Conference

Millenáris, 2-3 October 2014

Provisional agenda

Main patron of the conference

Dr. János Áder, the President of the Republic of Hungary

Patron of the conference

Endre Spaller, the President of the Hungarian National Innovation Office

<u>1st Day:</u> Sustainability, its regionalisation and the WEF Nexus

09:00-10:00 - Registration

10:00-10:30 – Opening Remarks

- Endre Spaller, President, National Innovation Office
- Frank Spengler, Resident Representative of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung in Hungary
- Péter Antall, Director of AJKC

10:30-12:30 - Sub-session 1: Meaning of sustainability and the perspectives of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) process

- Csaba Kőrösi, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Hungary to the United Nations in New York
- Marcel Szabó, Deputy-Commissioner for Fundamental Rights, Ombudsman for Future Generations

Moderator:

 Dr. Joerg Mayer-Ries, Head of Division G I 1 - Cross-sectoral and Sustainability-related Strategic and General Aspects of Environment, Building and Urban Development Policy

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Examples of questions for discussion (30 min):

- paradigm shift towards sustainability
- the connection between SD and SDGs
- necessary transformative changes

12:30-13:30 - Lunch

13:30-15:00 – Sub-session 2: Regionalisation of sustainability: the customization of SDGs in Central-Eastern Europe (CEE)

- János Takács, Chairman, Swedish Chamber of Commerce in Hungary
- István Salgó, President, Business Council for Sustainable Development in Hungary
- László Pintér, Professor, Central European University
- Sylvie Motard, Deputy Director of UNEP Regional Office for Europe
- Raffi Balian, Director of the Regional Environment, Science, Technology and Health Office

Moderator:

Examples of questions for discussion (30 min):

- implementing SDGs in CEE
- relevance of SD in CEE
- what has to be done; possibilities in an enhanced regional cooperation (political, economic, institutional) role of different stakeholders

15:00-15:30 - Coffee break

15:30-17:00 – Sub-session 3: Sustainability in practice. The WEF Nexus - water, food and energy: three key SD dimensions of CEE interest

- Vladimir Olegovich Rakhmanin, Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia, FAO
- István Zsirai, Vice President, Global Supply Chain, General Electric
- Bedrich Moldan, Director, Charles University Environment Centre, former Minister of Environment of the Czech Republic
- Eric Sievers, CEO of Ethanol Europe Renewables

Moderator:

• Tim Jackson, Director, SLRG, Centre for Environmental Strategy (D3) (TBC)



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Examples of questions for discussion (30 min):

- meaning of the WEF Nexus
- strengths and weaknesses of CEE regarding water, food and energy
- necessary transformative changes in practice
- financial resources for SD in CEE

17:00-18:00 - Networking

<u>2nd Day:</u> Regional and national implementation of sustainability concerning the WEF Nexus in CEE

09:00-11:00 - Sub-session 1: WATER

- András Szöllősi-Nagy, Rector, UNESCO-IHE
- Ivan Zavadsky, Executive Secretary, International Commission for the Protection of the Danube Region
- Joppe Cramwinckel, Water Program Director, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
- Gábor Baranyai, Chair of the Organising Committee, Budapest Water Summit
- Éda Pogany, Sustainability Communications Director, Coca-Cola HBC

Moderator:

• János Zlinszky Jr., Director of the Sustainable Development Academy, Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe

Examples of questions for discussion:

- the follow-up of BWS in CEE: good water governance
- the meaning and importance of sustainable water management in CEE: The Danube Strategy
- the future of water availability and its challenges in CEE
- investment in and financing of a water related SDG

11:00-11:30 - Coffee break

11:30-13:00 – Sub-session 2: FOOD

- Dilyana Slavova, President, Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment Section, European Economic and Social Committee
- Mike Nixon, Managing Director, Nestlé Hungary
- András Gyenes, Managing Director, Unilever Magyarország

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Moderator:

 András Molnar, Deputy Head of Department, Research Institute of Agricultural Economics

Examples of questions for discussion:

- the meaning and importance of sustainable agriculture in CEE
- the economic interest behind sustainable agriculture
- food consumption and production
- the challenges of food security and good nutrition in CEE

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-15:30 – Sub-session 3: ENERGY

- Donna Darzentas, MOL Group SD & HSE Senior Vice President
- Dr. Christian Plas, Founder, Managing Partner, denkstatt GmbH
- Krisztina Dely, Head of the Covenant of Mayors Office
- Stefan Saatmann, World Energy Council, Germany
- Veronika Kiss, Senior Resource Efficiency Policy Officer, CEEweb for Biodiversity
- Maciej Bukowski, President, Warsaw Institute for Economic Studies (TBC)

Moderator:

 Cezary Lejkowski, Director, Climate and Energy Department at WCB EIT+ (TBC)

Examples of questions for discussion:

- the meaning and importance of sustainable energy in CEE
- implementing the targets of EU 2020 strategy in terms of energy sustainability
- transformative actions for a more independent use of energy in CEE

15:30-16:30 – Closing remarks

Future Prospects for SUSCO Budapest 2015: Next steps towards inclusive and sustainable urbanisation

- Anita Orbán, Ambassador for Energy Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (TBC)
- Darren Swanson, Director, Novel Futures Corporation

16:30-17:30 - Networking



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