Environmental Liability and Environmental Crime - EFFACE public workshop

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Venue: Hotel Ibis Brussels Centre Ste Catherine, rue Joseph Plateau 2 - 1000 Brussels

9.30 – 9.45 Welcome & introduction of workshop participants
Grazia Maria Vagliasindi, University of Catania
Christiane Gerstetter, EFFACE coordinator, Ecologic Institute

9.45 -10.15 EFFACE research on Environmental Liability
Directive 2004/35/EC on Environmental Liability: an Overview
Ugo Salanitro, University of Catania
Environmental Liability and Environmental Crime in Selected Member States: an Overview
Grazia Maria Vagliasindi, University of Catania

10.15-11.15 The Environmental Liability Directive: core provisions and effectiveness issues in the perspective of highlighting the links with environmental criminal law
The concept of damage (soil, water, biodiversity)
Valerie Fogleman, University of Cardiff
Defences and criteria of allocation of liability
Lucas Bergkamp, Hunton & Williams
Remedies and sanctions
Barbara Pozzo, University of Insubria

11.15-11.30 Coffee break

The “baseline report” under the Industrial Emissions Directive: a tool to (slowly) go towards common European standards on contaminated areas and related criminal offences?

Luciano Butti, B&P Avvocati Italy, Lecturer in International Environmental Law at University of Padova
11.40-12.00  Comment

Randy Mott, CHWMEG Director for Europe, Middle East and Africa, Poland

12.00-13.00  Discussion

13.00-14.30  Lunch

14.30-15.00  Environmental Liability and Environmental Crime

Elisabetta Rosi, Vice Head Cabinet Ministry for the Environment, Italy

15.00-15.20  The Polish Experience

Magdalena Bar, Jendrośka Jerzmański Bar & Partners Environmental Lawyers, Poland

15.20-16.00  Discussion

16.00-16.15  Coffee break

16.15-16.45  Environmental Liability: Experiences and Way Forward

Hans Lopatta, European Commission, Policy Officer: Legal Issues, DG Environment

16.45–17.30  Discussion

17.30-18.00  Open forum for participants, with a view on establishing action recommendations

Summary by chairperson

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