



Croatian Council for  
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## Programme

### EEAC annual conference 2009

**22 - 24 October 2009 in Dubrovnik, Croatia**

### **Towards Sustainable European Infrastructures**

Since the early 1990s, the idea of Trans-European Networks has been a key element of European Integration. The Internal Market requires a European Infrastructure Network as basis for its functioning. Infrastructure networks are also considered to be important for the cohesion of Europe, namely for the better integration of the peripheral regions to the economic centers. Infrastructure investments also play an important role for the economic recovery programmes which are to be launched in 2009. They can be both: part and parcel of a Green New Deal - a recovery programme which prepares the ground for the transition to a low carbon economy - but they may also be in conflict with environmental objectives, such as establishing a green network of habitats or reducing the energy needs of our transport systems. Infrastructure policies are an area where it is crucially important to think “a long way ahead”, as EEAC requested in its 2008 statement. Transport, Energy and Biodiversity Networks need to be shaped in such a long term perspective. Wrong short term decisions may get in the way of a pathway towards a more sustainable future.

The theme of the EEAC annual conference is to discuss the principles for and essential elements of a system transition towards a low-carbon future. The fourth IPCC report concludes that industrial nations should reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by 80 to 95% until 2050. This is the benchmark for the transition of our mobility and energy systems which will need new types of infrastructures. Policies on transport, energy and biodiversity networks are interlinked and need a more coordinated approach. During the conference we will discuss what how we can work towards this objective in Europe.

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### **Main Conference Day (*with external participation*), 23 October 2008 *Towards Sustainable European Infrastructures***

- 09:00 – 10:00 Welcome and Conference Opening
- Natalija Koprivanac, Chair of SORZO-HR
  - Marina Dropulić, Minister of Environmental Protection, Spatial Planning and Construction, Croatia
  - Andro Vlahušić, Mayor of Dubrovnik
  - Christian Hey, Chair EEAC WG Energy

#### **Infrastructures: Introducing the EEAC Statement and SD Principles for Infrastructures**

- 10:00 – 10:20 Savka Kučar Dragičević, Environmental Information System for Environmental Policy Planning and Control
- 10:20 – 10:40 Peder Jensen, EEA: Infrastructures for Sustainable Mobility
- 10:40 – 11:00 Olav Hohmeyer, SRU/IPCC: Transition towards a renewable energy system

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee/Tea break*

#### **11:30 – 13:00 Parallel working groups / Discussion of Background Papers**

##### **A Energy Infrastructures**

- Jürgen Schmidt, WBGU/ISET/Vice-Chair SRA: Global Energy Transformation
  - Olav Hohmeyer, SRU, former IPCC Co-Chair, Coordinator IPCC Renewables Report: 100% Renewables
  - Felipe D. Santos, CNADS: The Mediterranean Solar Plan
- Chair: Peter Novak*

##### **B Green Networks**

- John Andersen, CNCC: Bringing the perspectives together: SEA
- Noel Casserly, Comhar, Chair EEAC WG Biodiversity
- Helen Bryon, Birdlife International
- Savka Kučar Dragičević, Croatian Environment Agency
- Marco Fritz, European Commission, DG Env

*Chairs: Natalija Koprivanac and with John Andersen*

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### **C Transport Networks**

- Peder Jensen, EEA, Head of Energy and Transport Group
- Pippa Gallop, CEE Bankwatch
- Reto Lorenzi, Head of Transport Policy Office of the Suisse Federal Office for Spatial Development

*Chair: Miranda Schreurs*

13:00 - 14:30 *LUNCH*

### **14:30-16:00 Systems Transition and Network Integration in the long run**

- A Croatian Perspective: Nikola Ružinski, State Secretary of Environmental Protection, Ministry of Environmental Protection, Physical Planning and Construction, Croatia
- NGO Perspective: Pippa Gallop, Bankwatch.
- Spatial Planning Perspective: Teresa Andresen, University of Porto
- EEAC Perspective: Miranda Schreurs

*Chair: Hubert David, EEAC*

### **16:30 Key note speech**

Michaele Schreyer, former Commissioner, Vice President of the European Movement, Section Germany

17:00 End

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## **Program Overview / EEAC Internal Days and Special Sessions**

### **Wednesday, 21.10. EEAC Pre-meetings**

From 12:00 Optional: Regular meetings of EEAC Working Groups  
17:00 – 20:00 EEAC Steering Committee meeting  
Evening Arriving of (other) EEAC participants

### **Thursday, 22.10. EEAC Internal Meetings and Sessions with external participation (afternoon)**

08:30 – 9:00 Registration  
09:00 – 10:45 Three parallel EEAC Working Group sessions:  
Governance, Biodiversity, Marine  
10:45 – 11:15 *Coffee/Tea break*  
11:15 – 13:00 Three parallel EEAC Working Group sessions:  
Sustainable Development, Energy, Agriculture  
13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*  
14:00 – 15:00 Presentations of selected EEAC members' recent advice and activity:  
➤ Future Bio-energy and Sustainable Land Use / Jürgen Schmidt, German Advisory Council on Global Change (WBGU)  
➤ Prosperity without growth / Tim O'Riordan, UK Sustainable Development Commission (SDC)  
15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee/Tea break*  
15:30 – 17:00 Special session (organised by SORZO)  
Environmental Risks of Oil and Gas Transport by Tankers in the Adriatic and Management Solutions:  
➤ Maja Markovčić Kostelac, Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure, Croatia: 2004 Ballast Water Convention and Regional Approach  
➤ Nenad Smodlaka, Center for Marine Research, Institute Ruđer Bošković Rovinj, Croatia: Accidents and Impacts on Environment and Human Activities: What we Need to Mitigate Consequences  
➤ Damir Zec, Faculty for Maritime Studies, University of Rijeka, Croatia: Maritime Transport and Possible Accidents in the Adriatic Sea  
  
*Chair: Natalija Koprivanac*  
17:15 – 19:15 Open Forum on the EEAC Review (Internal session)  
20:15 *Dinner*

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**Friday, 23.10. Conference Day (with external participation)**  
(see detailed program on previous page)

**Saturday, 24.10. EEAC Internal Day**

9.30 - 13:00 EEAC Annual Plenary Session (APS)

13:00 *Lunch*

afternoon Excursion

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