



Workshop on

“Implementation of the EU policy on environmental noise – challenges and potential solutions at local level”

September 23-24, 2004

Hotel “Maritim” (address: Slokas 1), Riga, Latvia

Draft programm

Thursday, September 23

11.30 **Arrival and registration**

12.00 **Lunch**

13.00 **Opening of the workshop**

SESSION I. ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE POLICY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

13.15 **Overview of EU legal requirements on environmental noise, particularly the EC Directive 2002/49/EC**

by Mr. Volker Irmer, Environmental Agency, Germany

14.00 **Transposition and implementation plans of the EU requirements. Role of different levels in the implementation – institutional set-up and responsibilities**

Mr. Joel Valge, Ministry of the Environment, Estonia

Ms. Dace Satrovskā, Ministry of Environment, Latvia

Mr. Erikas Maciunas, State Environmental Health Centre, Lithuania

Mr. Christian Popp, LAERMKONTOR GmbH., Hamburg, Germany

15.50 **Coffee break**

SESSION II. MAIN SOURCES OF ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE

16.20 **Introduction to environmental noise problems from municipality point of view**

Mr. Janis Kleperis, Riga City Council, Latvia

Mr. Tarmo Pauklin, Tallinn City Government, Estonia

Mr. Alvydas Karalius, Vilniaus planas, Lithuania

17.20 **Management of noise levels caused by transport (roads and railways) and industry (e.g. ports, etc.)**

Mr. Gerd Wiechers, North-Rhine Westfalia, Germany

18.00 **Closing of the day**

19.00 **Dinner**

Friday, September 24

9.00 **Review/preview of the day**

SESSION III. NOISE MANAGEMENT INSTRUMENTS

9.15 **Strategic noise mapping and computer simulation. EU requirements and experience of Western Europe countries**

Mr. Edgar Wetzel, WOELFEL Messsysteme Software GmbH & Co, Höchberg, Germany

9.45 **Noise mapping – practical experience**

Mr. Markus Petz, ACCON GmbH, Munich, Germany

10.15 *Reflection from the Baltic States on noise mapping – experiences so far, future plans*

11.15 Coffee break

11.45 **Working group session:** Challenges and possible solutions for the Baltic States

12.45 Reports from working groups:

13.15 Lunch

SESSION IV. ACTION PLANS: PROBLEMS AND POSSIBILITIES

14.15 **Requirements for the Action plans**

Mr. Christian Popp, LAERMKONTOR GmbH., Hamburg, Germany

14.45 **Information and Participation of the Public**

Ms. Margit Bonacker, konsalt GmbH, Hamburg, Germany

15.15 **Practical examples for preparation of the Action plans in Germany**

Mr. Markus Petz, ACCON GmbH, Munich, Germany

15.45 *Short key notes, reflection from the Baltic States on current state, future plans, expected challenges for preparation and implementation of Action plans*

Mr. Alvydas Karalius, Vilniaus planas, Lithuania

N.N. Riga, Tallinn

16.45 Summarizing and closing of the event

17.00 Coffee, Departure