



MARRAKECH TASK FORCE ON SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES

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Task Force Meeting in Prague, 29 October

The Task force had a meeting back to back with the EU regional meeting on SCP in Prague. We had presentations/discussions of a number of concluded and ongoing projects. EEA made a presentation of ongoing work on SCP indicators and we discussed the input to the 10 YFP (10-year framework of programmes), work programme follow up and activities next year 2009.

Regional EU meeting in Prague 30-31 October

Main focus was on the EU Action Plan on Sustainable Consumption and Production and the 10 Year Framework of programmes on SCP and how these two processes could support each other (see report at Commission website).

Busy week in Paris

TF leader Meeting

All leaders of the Marrakech Task Forces met in Paris 22 October to discuss the draft 10 YFP, common activities and upcoming meetings. The day after the *Advisory Committee* for the Marrakech Process met with representatives from the Task Forces taking part in the meeting. Main focus was the 10 YFP.

Friday 24 October, UNEP arranged the annual **Dialogue with Business and Industry**. The Chair of the Task Force was co-chairing a session on Sustainable consumption /Lifestyles together with Marina Franke, Procter and Gamble.

Visibility of Sustainable Lifestyles /Sustainable Consumption

In order to make the Task Force more visible the Task Force chair has participated in a number of meetings on Sustainable Consumption and related subjects during the fall. Examples are:

Within the **Barents Council** (cooperation between the Nordic Countries and North West Russia) the sub group on Cleaner Production and Environmentally sound consumption revised the common SCP strategy and project list. One of the new activities within the Subgroup is to invite the Marrakech Task Forces to conduct seminars in North West Russia. The purpose is to use the knowledge and experiences within the Task Forces in order to engage Russia and to make Russia more involved in the international work on SCP and the 10YFP.

At the Manchester University in UK, a new Institute has been established – the **Institute on Sustainable Consumption**. The Task Force Chair hold a presentation of the Task Force work in very good company from EU Commissioner Kuneva (DG Sanco) among others.

In Bordeaux, France, an International **Conference on Education for sustainable development** was arranged. The TF Chair took part of presentations and dis-



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ussions and contributed with experiences from the TF work.

The Chair also attended the first Mediterranean Roundtable on SCP and Resource efficiency in Barcelona. It was hosted by the Regional Activity Centre for Sustainable Production. One of the sessions were on Education and Information on Sustainable Consumption for civil society.

TF input to 10 YFP

At the TF meeting in Prague, two different examples of tables for structuring activities, gaps, proposed programmes, means of implementation and actors were discussed. The TF should consider if sustainable lifestyles should be a pre-defined priority area in the table. Beginning of next year the TF members will be requested to give comments on a new draft.

Next Year Activities

During next year the main focus will be on evaluation of Task Force projects and results from the Global Survey on Sustainable Lifestyles and to elaborate the TF projects and activities into substantial contributions to the 10 YFP. Last date for input to the 10 FWP will be end of Summer 2009. At CSD (Commission on Sustainable Development) in spring 2010, a draft 10 YFP will be presented and hopefully adopted by the countries at CSD the year after.

International Meetings

A meeting between all Marrakech Task Forces, the Indian ministries and different stakeholders in this region will take place in India 2-3rd of February.

CSD Intercessional, New York, 23 - 27 February and CSD, New York, 4 - 15 May 2009. SCP will be discussed as a cross-cutting issue and a Side Event with the Marrakech Task Forces will be hosted by France.

TASK FORCE Meetings

We are planning for two Task Force meetings this spring, one for the whole group and a second one for the Core and Expert group. The main focus will be to identify results and good examples from the Task Force projects and input to the 10 YFP.

Projects – See attachment



I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Please remember to use the TFSL as a network, distribute interesting information on lifestyles to all TFSL members from your organization or region!! The Task Force will never be more active than its members!