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# CONFERENCE OF PORTUGUESE AND SPANISH JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS ON "ENFORCEMENT OF EU ENVIRONMENTAL LAW: ROLE OF THE JUDICIARY"

#### SEVILLE, 11-12 November 2010 MELIÁ SEVILLA HOTEL

#### FINAL PROGRAMME

#### **10 NOVEMBER 2010**

16:00-20:00 Registration of Participants.

20:30-21:30 Private Visit to "Alcázar of Seville".

## **DAY 1: 11 NOVEMBER 2010**

08:30-09:15 Registration of Participants.

#### PLENARY SESSION (Room Giralda I, II)

Chair: Rosendo Dias José, Vice-President of the Supreme Administrative Court, Portugal

9:15-9:25 Introduction by the Chair

09:25-10:00 Opening speeches:

Rafael Toledano Cantero, President of the High Regional Court of Andalusia

Miguel Carmona Ruano, President of the International Relations Commission of the

General Council for the Judiciary of Spain

Juan Carlos Campo Moreno, Secretary of State for Justice

Rosa Aguilar Rivero, Spanish Minister of the Environment and Rural and Marine Affairs

#### 10:00-10:30 Introduction Speech:

The Court of Justice of the European Union and the European Environmental Law

Christiaan Timmermans, former Judge at the Court of Justice of the European Union

10:30-10:45 <u>Discussion</u>

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-13:00 PANEL DISCUSSION: "ENFORCEMENT OF EU ENVIRONMENTAL LAW"

## Facilitator of the panel discussion:

Vasco Pereira da Silva, Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon

#### The Role of the European Commission

Pia Bucella, Director, Directorate A Legal Affairs and Cohesion, European Commission

#### The Role of National Judges

Rafael Fernández Valverde, Supreme Court, Madrid

Rafael Toledano Cantero, President of the High Regional Court of Andalusia

The Role of National Prosecutors:

Antonio Vercher Noguera, Head of the Spanish Environmental Prosecution Office

António Leones Dantas, Deputy Attorney General, Member of the Advisory Board of the Attorney General's office, Portugal

Discussion

13:00-15:00 Lunch break

# 15:00-18:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS ON EU NATURE PROTECTION AND WASTE LAW

### **EU NATURE PROTECTION LAW** (Room Giralda I, II)

#### Chair and facilitator of the panel discussion:

Fernando López Ramón, Faculty of Law, University of Zaragoza

15:00-15:10 Introduction by the chair

15:10-15:40 Presentation on the Habitats Directive

Agustín García Ureta, Faculty of Law, University of the Basque Country

15:40-16:10 Presentation on the Birds Directive

Emil Waris, Assistant Judge at the Administrative Court of Turku, Finland

16:10-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-18:00 Panel discussion: Projects with impacts on Natura 2000 sites

Jorge Moradell Ávila, Delegate in Teruel of the Public Prosecutor's Office on Environment and Land Planning

Ana María Martínez Olalla, Judge in the TSJ of Castilla y León

Cristina Álvarez Baquerizo, SEO/BirdLife Spain

Domingos Leitão, NGO SPEA/BirdLife Portugal

**Discussion** 

EU WASTE LAW (Room Giralda III, IV,V)

Chair and facilitator of the panel discussion:

Carlos González-Antón Álvarez, Faculty of Law, University of León

15:00-15:10 Introduction by the chair

15:10-15:40 Presentation on the Waste Framework Directive

Marc Clement, French administrative judge, seconded to the European Commission, Unit A1 Enforcement, Infringements Co-ordination and Legal Issues, DG Environment

15:40-16:10 Presentation on the Waste Shipment Regulation

Fernando Loureiro Bastos, Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon

16:10-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-18:00 Panel Discussion: EU legislation on landfill, waste incineration and mining waste

Helena Ribeiro, Judge at the Administrative Court of Porto

Jorge Alexandre Cardoso Cortês, Center for Judicial Studies, Lisbon

Ana Georgina Guerrero Ron, WWF España

Helder Careto, NGO GEOTA, Group for Spatial Planning & Environmental Studies

#### Discussion

#### 20:00 Dinner

# **DAY 2 - 12 NOVEMBER 2010**

# 9:00-11:40 PARALLEL SESSIONS ON EU LAW ON WATER AND IMPACT ASSESSMENT

#### EU WATER LEGISLATION (Room Giralda I,II)

Chair and facilitator of the panel discussion:

Ángel Menéndez Rexach, Faculty of Law, Autonomous University of Madrid

9:00-9:10 Introduction by the Chair

9:10-9:35 Presentation on the Water Framework Directive

Jorge Rodríguez Romero, Head of sector 1, Unit D.1 Protection of Water Environment, DG Environment, European Commission

9:35-10:00 Presentation on the Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive and the Marine Strategy Framework Directive

José Rizo Martin, Unit D.2 Marine, DG Environment, European Commission

**10:00-10:15** Coffee break

10:15-11:40 Panel discussion: River Basin Management Plans

Ricardo Segura Graiño, Deputy Director-General, Planning and Sustainable Use of Water, Ministry of the Environment and Rural and Marine Affairs, Spain

Simone Pio, Vice-President of the Authority for the Tejo River Basin

Jose Luis Díaz Manzanera, Delegate in Murcia of the Public Prosecutor's office on Environment and Land planning

Paula Chainho, NGO LPN - League for Nature Protection, Portugal

Discussion

#### **IMPACT ASSESSMENT** (Room Giralda III, IV,V)

#### Chair and facilitator of the panel discussion:

Anne Redondo, Judge, Administrative Court, Melun, France

9:00-9:10 Introduction by the Chair

9:10-9:35 Presentation on the EIA Directive

Fernando Benítez Pérez-Fajardo, Prosecutor, Justice Ministry Advisor

9:35-10:00 Presentation on the SEA Directive

Alexandra Aragão, Faculty of Law, University of Coimbra

10:00-10:15 Coffee break

10:15-11:40 <u>Panel discussion</u>: Transposition and implementation of the EIA and SEA directives in Spain and Portugal

**Teodoro Abbad**, Member of the Technical Assessment unit of the Public Prosecutor's Office on Environment and Land Planning

Esperança Mealha, Judge at the Lisbon Administrative Court

Rita María Rodríguez Robles, WWF Spain

Alfredo Franco, NGO ALMARGEM, Portugal

**Discussion** 

11:50-13:00 PLENARY SESSION (Room Giralda I,II)

Chair:

**Doctor Enrique Alonso García**, Permanent State Councillor and President of the 8th Section of the State Council

Presentation on the Environmental Liability Directive

Blanca Lozano Cutanda, Faculty of Law, University of the Basque Country

Presentation on Criminal Enforcement of EU Environmental law

Michael Faure, Faculty of Law, University of Maastricht

Discussion

13:00-14:30 Lunch break

14:30-16:00 PLENARY PANEL DISCUSSION: ACCESS TO JUSTICE

Facilitator of the panel discussion: John Hontelez, Secretary General, European Environmental Bureau.

Wenceslao Francisco Olea Godoy, Judge at the High Administrative Court of Extremadura

Florbela Moreira Lança, Judge, Contact Point for Portugal of the European Judicial Network in Civil and Commercial Matters

Jaime Doreste Hernández, Ecologistas en Acción

Paulo Magalhães, NGO Quercus, Portugal

Discussion

16:00-16:15 Coffee break

# **CONFERENCE CLOSURE**

16:15-17:00 Conclusions by the chairs of the parallel sessions

17:00-17:30 Closure Speeches

Gregorio Valero, Legal Service, European Commission

Dulce Álvaro Pássaro, Portuguese Minister for the Environment and Spatial Planning

<sup>\*</sup> During the sessions it will be available interpretation service in **Spanish**, **English** y **Portuguese**