



**"Get your right to a healthy community"
Subregional Workshop on the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers
for countries in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia**

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Minsk, Belarus**

Organised by

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Chair: Mr. Michel Amand, Chair of the Meeting of the Parties to the
Protocol on Pollutant Releases and Transfer Registers

Draft programme

Thursday, 3 November

9.00 Registration

9.30 Opening

*Mr. Vitaly Kulik, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources
and Environmental Protection, Belarus.*

*Mr. Valery Kliuchanovich, Director of the Belarussian Research Centre
"Ecology", Belarus*

*Mr. Michel Amand, Chair of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on
Pollutant Releases and Transfer Registers.*

- 9.45** **First session: Development of national Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers: Requirements and benefits**
- Presentation by Dr. Ivan Narkevitch, Head of the Department of International Scientific Cooperation, RUE "Bel SRC "Ecology", Belarus.*
- Presentation by Mr. Kodir Boturov, Institute of Water Problems, Hydroenergetic and Ecology of the Academy of Sciences, Tajikistan.(TBC).*
- Discussion** based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers
- 10.45-11.00 Coffee break*
- 11.00** **Second session: Setting up an appropriate institutional structure**
- Presentation by: Mr. Øyvind Hetland, Senior Executive Officer Climate and Pollution Agency, Norway.*
- Discussion** based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers
- 12.20** **Third session: The regulatory framework for data collection and dissemination and for public participation and access to information and justice**
- Presentation by: Mr. Dmytro Skrylnikov, Attorney, Bureau of Environmental Investigation, Ukraine.*
- Presentation by: Ms. Elena Laevskaya, Attorney, Associate Professor, Belarusian State University, Belarus.*
- Discussion** based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers
- 13.30** **Lunch**
- 15.00** **Fourth session: The scope of the Protocol: activities, substances and types of releases covered and off site transfers**
- Presentation by: Dr. Jan Maršák, PRTR Bureau Member, and Director, Ministry of the Environment, Czech Republic.*
- Discussion** based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers
- 16.35-16.50 Coffee break*
- 16.50** **Preparation of conclusions in working groups**
- 17.30** **Presentation of conclusions on Day I**
- 18.45** **Reception**

Friday, 4 November

9.30 Fifth session: Data management

Presentation by: Ms. Justyna Grzywacz, Senior Specialist, Inspection and Administrative Ruling Department, Chief Inspectorate of Environmental Protection, Poland.

Presentation by: Mr. Saveliy Kuzmin, Head of the Department, Ms. Lutsiya Brakovich, Research Scientist of the Department of Environmental Monitoring, RUE "Bel SRC "Ecology", Belarus.

Discussion based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers

11.15-11.30 Coffee break

11.30 Sixth session: Access to data and its dissemination

Presentation by: Mr. Bernhard Thier, Manager Responsible Care, Cefic (European Chemical Industry Council).

Presentation by: Ms. Eva Goosens, Project Manager - Industrial emissions, European Environment Agency.

Discussion based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers

13.00 Lunch

14.30 Seventh session: Building capacity, public awareness and international cooperation

Introduction by: Mr. Michel Amand, Chair of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Pollutant Releases and Transfer Registers.

Presentation by: Ms. Vera Barrantes, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).

Discussion based on key issues and questions proposed by speakers

15.45-16.00 Coffee break

16.00 Preparation of conclusions in working groups

16.40 Presentation of conclusions on Day II

17.30-17.45 Summary remarks by the Chair

17.45-18.00 Closing statement by the host