



NOISE IN EUROPE

24 April 2017

European Commission, Charlemagne Building
Rue de la Loi 170, B-1040 Brussels

Programme

Morning: Setting the scene

8.00-8.45: Registration + Welcome coffee (offered)



9.00-11.30: [Keynote session](#)

Room: GASP *Keynote introductions*

The **Keynote introductions** will address ongoing and future initiatives concerning environmental noise policy.

- **Karmenu Vella**, European Commissioner for the Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
- **Violeta Bulc**, European Commissioner for Transport

Keynote speeches

In the **Keynote speeches**, the **World Health Organisation** will outline the latest findings on the health implications of noise, the **European Environment Agency** will detail the exposure that European citizens face to harmful levels of noise, and the **European Commission** will present the findings of the evaluation of the Environmental Noise Directive and activities aimed at reduction of noise pollution in the Union.

- **Zsuzsanna Jakab**, Regional Director for Europe, World Health Organisation (WHO)
- **Hans Bruyninckx**, Executive Director, European Environment Agency (EEA)
- **Joanna Drake**, Deputy Director General, European Commission - DG Environment

Keynote reactions

Ministers and **Members of the European Parliament** are invited to make statements to share their experience and highlight best practices.

- **Ministers from Member States**
- **Members of the EU Parliament**

Chair:

- **Daniel Calleja**, Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

11.30-11.45: Coffee Break



11.30: [Press conference](#)

Room: JENS

- **Commissioner Bulc, Commissioner Vella, Zsuzsanna Jakab, Hans Bruyninckx**

11.45-13.00: [The perspective of Member States](#)

Room: GASP The **EU Presidency** and representatives of **ministries** from Member States will then outline their views on the future environmental noise policy.

Speakers

- **EU Council Presidency and Representatives of Ministries from Member States**, short interventions

Chair:

- **Joanna Drake**, Deputy Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

13.00 - 14.00: Networking lunch (offered)



Afternoon: Quantification of pressures and policy solutions

14.00 – 16.00: [Parallel sessions](#)

Room: GASP **The afternoon session** will allow scientists, NGOs and other associations and organisations interested in environmental noise to discuss in parallel groups:

- their perception of noise as a health issue, including possible approaches and best measures to address them;
- already existing solutions, and how they could best be used and further improved; and
- recent scientific evidence of the health implications of environmental noise.

Parallel session 1: Ideas for policy options

Speakers

- **Libor Lochman**, Executive Director, Community of European Railway and

Infrastructure Companies (CER)

- **Olivier Jankovec**, Director General, European region of Airports Council International (ACI-Europe)
- **William Todts**, Executive Director, Transport & Environment (T&E)
- **John Stewart**, President, European Association Against Aircraft Noise
- **Filipe Araújo**, Vice-Mayor of Porto, Representative of EUROCITIES
- **(name tbc)**, European Automobile Manufacturers' Association (ACEA)

Moderator:

- **Jeremy Wates**, Secretary General, European Environment Bureau (EEB)

Room: JENS Parallel session 2: Evidence of health effects of noise

Speakers

- **Elizabet Paunovic**, Head of Bonn Office, World Health Organisation (WHO)
- **Roberta Savli**, Deputy-Director, Health and Environment Alliance
- **Stephen Stansfeld**, Professor, Wolfson Institute of Preventive Medicine - Queen Mary University, London
- **Göran Pershagen**, Head of Environmental Epidemiology Unit, Institute of Environmental Medicine, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm
- **Rainer Guski**, Professor, Faculty of Psychology, Ruhr-Universität, Bochum

Moderator:

- **Brigitte Schulte Fortkamp**, Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Transport Systems, TU Berlin

Room: MANS Parallel session 3: Strategy for effective noise control

Speakers

- **Steve Phillips**, Secretary-General, Conference of European Directors of Roads (CEDR)
- **Jean-Pierre Loubinoux**, Director General, International Railway Federation (UIC)
- **Giuseppe Pagnano**, Head of Unit, Coordinating Project Officer, CleanSky2
- **Giovanni Brero**, President, European Noise Barriers Federation (ENBF)
- **Sergio Luzzi**, President, Vie en.ro.se. Ingegneria

Moderator:

- **Jorge Patrício**, President, European Acoustic Association (EAA)

16.00-16.20: Coffee Break



16.20-16.40: Plenary session with feedback from each parallel session

Room: GASP The presentations and outcomes of the discussions will feed into the reflection on future environmental noise policy.

Chair:

- **Joanna Drake**, Deputy Director General, European Commission – DG Environment

16.40-18.00: Reception cocktail (offered)

