



Sharing Sound in Serbia

The Serbian Noise Congress “Sharing Sound in Serbia” will be held in Belgrade on 7 November 2012. The congress is organised in conjunction with the Government to Government (G2G) project on the Environmental Noise Directive 2002/49/EC which aims to build capacity among Serbian authorities at a national, regional and local level. This G2G project was commissioned by the Dutch government and is carried out by DCMR EPA, the Environmental Protection Agency in the Rotterdam Metropolitan Area.

The Environmental Noise Directive 2002/49/EC is implemented in Serbia, as in many other European Member States, and aims to improve the environmental, acoustical quality of life in cities and nature areas. This poses many challenges to authorities, experts and science; health, noise abatement techniques, noise mapping and involving citizens in moving towards a sound(er) environment are key issues for the next years.

The theme of the congress is “Sharing Sound in Serbia”. Respected speakers from Serbia, the Balkan region and from elsewhere in Europe will present their views, opinions and experience in these topics. The congress will be of particular interest for (regional and municipal) policy, environmental and noise experts which have to deal with these tasks as required by the Environmental Noise Directive in the near future. Also institutes and companies involved in environmental, spatial and acoustical topics can find many interesting presentations for their future work.

The Serbian Noise Congress 2012 will be held at the Hyatt hotel, a five star hotel at the heart of New Belgrade in Belgrade.

On the back side of this leaflet you will find the preliminary draft programme. During the next weeks and months we will provide regular updates and new information; you are heartily invited to check the latest news on the congress website www.serbiannoisecongress.eu.

Attendance at the congress is free of charge and registration for this congress closes on 15 October 2012. As the number of participants is restricted, we would kindly ask you to register in time to ensure your participation at this unique congress. Please check the website for more information and registration.

Looking forward to meeting you in Belgrade on 7 November 2012!

Ms Kristina Peric
Ms Miriam Weber
Mr Henk Wolfert

DRAFT-PROGRAMME

- 8:30 hr** Registration and coffee
- 9:00 hr** Opening by the minister of Environment Serbia, minister of Public Health or Mayor of Belgrade (TBC)
- Morning session chaired by Ms Kristina Peric***
- 9:10 hr** Lecture by Prof. Pravica, guest of honor
- 9.40 hr** Experiences with the 1st+ 2nd round of Noise Mapping and Noise Action Planning, lessons learnt by Mr Gaetano Licitra
- 10:00 hr** Experiences with Noise Mapping and Noise Action planning in the Alp and Balkan States by Dr Alan Stimac
- 10:20 hr** Coffee break & Networking
- 10:40 hr** Experiences in modelling and noise mapping in Serbia by Prof Prascevic, TU Nis
- 11:00 hr** Noise Mapping and inaccuracies and unreliability's by Dr Wim van Keulen
- 11:20 hr** Quiet Urban Areas, an indispensable provision in cities by Ms Miriam Weber
- 11:40 hr** Cost benefit issues on Noise, where losing money and where saving it by Mr Jan Jabben
- 12:00 hr** The Serbian G2G project by Mr Henk Wolfert
- 12:15 hr** Lunch break
- Afternoon session chaired by Mr Henk Wolfert***
- 13:30 hr** Lecture on Noise and Health by Prof Goran Belojevic
- 14:00 hr** How to raise noise on the political agenda by Ms Margit Bonacker
- 14:30 hr** Coffee break & Networking
- 15:00 hr** Noise Measures ERF by Mr Giovanni Brero and Ms Concetta Durso
- 15:25 hr** Noise Measurement & Analysis Equipment by Mr Miroslav Radojevic
- 15:45 hr** The European Noise Directive, recent developments by Environment European Commission. Report from European Environmental Agency about outcomes 1st round of Noise Mapping and Action Planning, the reporting mechanism END, etc. by Mr Colin Nugent
- 16:15 hr** Plenary discussion between representatives of the Balkan region on noise chaired by Ms Miriam Weber, included some brief messages to the European Union
- 16:40 hr** Closing ceremony by the Dutch Ambassador Mr H.E. Laurent L. Stokvis
- 16:50 hr** Reception
- 17:50 hr** END of congress