



# **3rd ELD Stakeholder Workshop** **Experience gained in the application** **of the Directive based on concrete ELD cases**

**26 November 2014, 9.00 - 17.30**  
**Management Centre Europe**  
**Rue de l'Aqueduc 118, Brussels**

# Wednesday, 26 November 2014

8.00 – 9.00

## Welcome coffee and registration

9.00 – 9.15

Robert Konrad and Hans Erik Ballhausen, European Commission : *Welcome address and introductory explanation*

9.15 – 11.00

Presentation of ELD cases. Presentation block I:

- Kim Bradley, SEPA/United Kingdom, *Case presentation: Remediation of land damage*
- Pekka Erkinheimo, Talvivaara Mining Company Plc./Finland, *Case Talvivaara*
- Karl Ortmann and Martin Wischott, GDV/Germany, *Environmental damage insurance claims: The insurer's perspective on adjusting large ELD losses (case presentation)*
- Birgit Schmidhuber, Justice and Environment/Austria, *The KWIZDA case – NGO participation in the prevention and remediation of water damage in Austria*

11.00 – 11.30

## Coffee break

11.30 – 11.45

Ece Ozdemiroglu, Eftec/United Kingdom, *The ELD training programme – feedback on 2014 trainings and key issues for the future*

11.45 – 13.00

World Café 1, introduced by Hans Erik Ballhausen: *What can we learn from the experience gathered in the application of the ELD Directive? Best practice and challenges.*

13.00 – 14.00

## Lunch break

Plenary room split into two rooms (until 16.00)

14.00 – 15.30

Continuation of presentations in two parallel rooms

Room A: Presentation block II:

- János Mikó, Ministry of Agriculture/Hungary, *The challenge of enforcing environmental liability rules in Hungary; characteristic features of the Hungarian ELD implementation*
- Andrew Jackson, An Taisce/Ireland, *An NGO perspective on limitations of the ELD: Environmental damage & access to justice*
- Pawel Holnicki, Polish Insurance Association & AIG/Poland, *Case presentations: Poland, focus on claims complexity including biodiversity damage*
- José Luis Heras, Pool Español de Riesgos Medioambientales/Spain, *Claims that have been, or should have been, filed as ELD claims*

Room B: Presentation block III:

- Yvan Guiton, Région Bretagne/France, *Implementation of international conventions and of the Environmental Liability Directive: the Erika case*
- Liliana Monsalve, IOPC Funds/United Kingdom, *Handling of environmental damage claims by the IOPC Funds*
- Valerie Fogleman, Stevens & Bolton LLP/United Kingdom, *Direct effect of the ELD's effective date in a case concerning biodiversity damage in Wales*
- Barbara Goldsmith, Ad-Hoc Industry Natural Resource Management Group/Belgium, *Operator workout: Three composite ELD cases*

15.30 – 16.00

## Coffee break

16.00 – 16.15

Hans Lopatta, European Commission, *Overview of the ongoing Commission ELD evaluation and reporting exercise*

16.15 – 17.15

World Café 2: *What could be done to improve and how? Priorities taking account of the evaluation criteria, in particular of the effectiveness and efficiency criteria.*

17.15 – 17.30

Concluding remarks and evaluation of the day

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# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## Registration

You receive this information together with the invitation, programme and privacy statement.

Registration will remain open **until the 150st registration**.

We would be grateful if in case of any changes regarding your participation between now and the date of the workshop you could inform [env-eld-registration@ec.europa.eu](mailto:env-eld-registration@ec.europa.eu) or Ms Affef Garbaa ([Affef.Garbaa@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Affef.Garbaa@ec.europa.eu)).

## Meeting venue

Management Centre Europe – Rue de l'Aqueduc 118, 1050 Brussels:

<http://www.mce-ama.com/mce-conference-centre/state-of-the-art-business-centre/>

## Upon your arrival at the Conference

We kindly request you to just sign in the participants list upon your arrival at the reception desk of the Workshop, located at the entrance of the MCE **between 08h15 and 09h00**. In the interest of all, **we would kindly ask for early registration to enable a timely start of the workshop**.

You may leave **topical information of you/your company** (please only brochures, articles, leaflets etc. related to environmental liability) at a dedicated desk in the meeting room.

## Accommodation

Available hotels in Brussels within a range of 50 – 250 metres from the conference venue are:

### Louise

Rue Veydt 40, 1050 Bruxelles, Belgium 649 m N

+32 2 537 40 33 [madeinlouise.com](http://madeinlouise.com)

### Le Châtelain Boutique Hotel

Rue du Châtelain 17, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium 342 m NE

+32 2 646 00 55 [le-chatelain.com](http://le-chatelain.com)

### Izan Avenue Louise

Rue Blanche 4, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium 762 m N

+32 2 535 95 00 [hotel-rez.com](http://hotel-rez.com)

### The White Hotel

Avenue Louise 212, 1050 Bruxelles, Belgium 431 m NE

+32 2 647 68 81 [exclusive-hotels.fr](http://exclusive-hotels.fr)

### Warwick Barsey Hotel Brussels

Avenue Louise 381, 1050 Grand Place, Belgium 371 m NE

+32 2 649 98 00 [warwickbarsey.com](http://warwickbarsey.com)

## Food and drink

A buffet lunch and coffee (coffee breaks in the morning and in the afternoon) will be served to all participants at the venue. Outside coffee break times, there will be two coffee corners (at own expense) available in the building.

Information relative to **special dietary needs** should be communicated to us by 17<sup>th</sup> November at the latest (food allergies, vegetarian, vegan, Muslim, Jewish, etc.).

## Transportation

### By Plane

The Management Centre Europe is 12 km from Brussels Airport.

**Airport:** Zaventem National Airport.

**Flight info:** <http://www.brusselsairport.be>

**Lost luggage information at Brussels airport:**

[http://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/luggage\\_travelinfo/lost\\_luggage/](http://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/luggage_travelinfo/lost_luggage/)

How to get to/from Brussels Airport by **bus**:

[http://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/to\\_from\\_brussels\\_airport/bus/](http://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/to_from_brussels_airport/bus/)

The bus no. 21 stops at Rond Point **Schuman**. From there you may take :

- the Bus - 60 - Ambiorix - Uccle Calevoet - direction: Uccle Calevoet (10 stops), penultimate stop: Vleurgat, get off at Washington, Walk to Management Centre Europe
- Subway line 5 direction Hermann-Debroux to station Merode. From there tram line 81 towards Marius Renar, 10 stops, Penultimate stop: Bailli, get off at Trinite

### Airport transfer service

MCE offers you the possibility to reserve your personal pick-up service at the price of a normal taxi. If you reserve this service now, your driver will be waiting for you upon your arrival at Brussels Zaventem airport. The fare from the airport to your hotel in Brussels Hotel or to MCE is EUR 45. Fares are payable directly to your driver (credit cards accepted). All you need to do to make your reservation is to fill out and submit the [Airport Collection Service booking form](#), at least one working day before your pick-up date. A confirmation will be sent to you as soon as your booking has been processed.

### By Train

**Stations:** Brussels Midi/Zuid or Brussels Central

**Timetables & Reservations:** <http://wwwb-rail.be>

From these stations to MCE, it takes about 15 minutes by taxi or 20 minutes by public transport.

**From Brussels Central Station**

Take bus no. 38 (estimated time 30 min.) and ask the driver to stop at “rue Van Eyck”. From there, cross “Chaussée de Vleurgat” and take “rue Amécaïne”. You will get to a square surrounded by trees that is called Place Alb. Leemans. From that square, MCE is within walking distance, first street to the left from “Rue Washington” (estimated time 5 min.)

### From Brussels Midi / Zuid

Take metro line 2, direction Simonis, and stop at the 3rd metro-station “Louiza”. From here you can take tram 94 (direction “Hermann-Debroux”) and get off at the 3rd stop - Av. Louize / Rue du Chatelain. From here you can walk to the MCE building. From Brussels Midi, you can also take tram line 81, direction “Montgomery” (estimated time 20 minutes). Get off at la Trinité. From here you can walk to the MCE building.

## Contact

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**Fees:** There is no fee for participation in the Conference.