



Conference 3rd European Resources Forum

9–10 November 2016

Ludwig Erhard Haus

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The German Environment Agency is hosting the third European Resources Forum on 9–10 November 2016. The conference takes place in the “Ludwig Erhard Haus” in Berlin. The ERF addresses European decision-makers and experts from the fields of policy development, industry, academia, civil society and the media. The 2016 ERF is expected to attract some 400 participants.

After the successful conferences in 2012 and 2014, the European Resources Forum has established itself as an important European platform for discussion on the issue of sustainable resource use by focusing on the political and scientific debate on this subject.

The ERF seeks to contribute to the development and implementation of common positions for policy-making in Europe and internationally. The ERF is an important instrument for communication on resource issues and for setting up networks and initiating stakeholder alliances at the European level.

Through its chair, speakers and participants, the previous ERF in 2014 sent out a strong message to the new European Commission under President Juncker to maintain ambitious policy on resource efficiency and circular economy after the initial proposal “Towards a circular economy: A zero waste programme for Europe” was scrapped. On 2 December 2015, the new Commission presented its Circular Economy action plan “Closing the loop – An EU action plan for the Circular Economy”.

The ERF 2016 will continue the discussion of the current European approach to resource policy and work out new impulses for a resource efficient Europe. The conference will present best practice cases and business models for the circular economy as well as European country initiatives for resource efficiency. Particular attention will be given to the learning potential from international perspectives and experiences for a resource efficient world. Resource efficient land use within the rural urban nexus as well as advancing the idea of an international platform for resource governance are other issues of the conference.

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Day 1	Wednesday, 9 November 2016
12.00	Registration and opening of the exhibition area
12.30	Opening Session Maria Krautzberger President, German Environment Agency Dr. Barbara Hendricks Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, Germany Karmenu Vella European Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission (video message) Dr. Janez Potocnik Co-chair, UNEP International Resource Panel Chair: Dr. Harry Lehmann General Director, Division I "Environmental Planning and Sustainability Strategies", German Environment Agency
13.30	Resource Efficiency – Potential and Economic Implications. Presentation of key findings of the new report by UNEP's International Resource Panel Paul Ekins Professor of Resources and Environmental Policy, Director, Institute for Sustainable Resources, University College London, member of UNEP International Resource Panel, United Kingdom
14.30	Coffee break at the exhibition area
15.00	Plenary session: International perspectives for a resource efficient world Kathleen Salyer Deputy Director of the Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery at the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Yoshinori Suga Deputy Director Waste Management and Recycling, Ministry of the Environment, Japan Peter Börkey Environment Directorate, Environment and Economy Integration Division, OECD, France Benedetta Dell'Anno Senior Policy Advisor TA Sogesid, Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, Italy Tim Kasten Deputy Director of UN Environment's Economy Division Chair: Birgit Schwenk Head of Division European and International Aspects of Resource Efficiency, Raw Materials Policy, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, Germany
16.15	Plenary session: Transforming businesses – new business models Tuuli Kaskinen Director, Demos Helsinki, Finland Cornelis T. van der Lugt Senior Associate, BSD Consulting, Switzerland; Senior Research Fellow, Stellenbosch University Business School, South Africa Jocelyn Bleriot Executive Officer, Ellen MacArthur Foundation, United Kingdom Prof. Dr. Jan J. Jonker Chair of Corporate Sustainability, Nijmegen School of Management, Radboud University, The Netherlands Chair: Dr. Martin Vogt Managing Director, VDI Centre for Resource Efficiency, Germany
17.30	Get together, dinner at the exhibition area

Day 2	Thursday, 10 November 2016
09.00	Key note: Humanity on the move – the transformative power of cities Prof. Dr. Dirk Messner Director, German Development Institute, Co-Chair, German Advisory Council on Global Change WBGU
09.45	Plenary session: Resource efficient land use within the rural urban nexus Stephanie Wunder Senior Fellow, Ecologic Institute, Germany Marielle Dubbeling Director, RUAF Foundation-Global partnership on sustainable Urban Agriculture and Food systems, The Netherlands Helyn Clack Surrey County Council, President of Peri Urban Regions Platform Europe, United Kingdom Maruxa Cardama Executive Coordinator and Founder, Communitas Coalition, Belgium Chair: Dr. Inge Paulini Secretary-General, German Advisory Council on Global Change WBGU
11.00	Coffee break at the exhibition area
11.30	Parallel session A: Best practice cases for the circular economy Lisa Kossolobow Section III 1.1 "General Aspects of Product-related Environmental Protection, Sustainable Consumption, Innovation Programme", German Environment Agency Fernando J. Burgaz Moreno General Director of the Food Industry, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment, Spain Cuno van Geet Senior Policy Expert, Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment, The Netherlands Eric Darlot Engineer, French Agency for Environment and Energy Management Chair: Dr. Bettina Rechenberg General Director, Division III "Sustainable Production and Products, Waste Management", German Environment Agency
11.30	Parallel Session B: European country initiatives for resource efficiency Paweł Kazmierczyk Project manager resource efficiency and material flows, European Environment Agency, Denmark Dr. Loa Buchli Head of Section, Economics Section, Federal Offices for the Environment FOEN, Switzerland Andreas Tschulik Head of Division, Environmental Protection at Company Level and Technology, Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management, Austria Lieze Cloots International Policy Unit, OVAM, Public Waste Agency of Flanders, Belgium Chair: Matthias Koller Head of Section I 1.1 "Fundamental Aspects, Sustainability Strategies and Scenarios, Sustainable Resource Use", German Environment Agency

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11.30	Parallel session C: Sustainable resource use along the global supply chain Marilyn Mehlmann Head of development and training, Global Action Plan (GAP) International, Sweden Dr. Fiona Solomon CEO, Aluminium Stewardship Initiative, Australia Ulrike Haupt Head of Division, Environment, sustainable use of natural resources, marine conservation and biodiversity, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany Chair: Dr. Harry Lehmann General Director, Division I "Environmental Planning and Sustainability Strategies", German Environment Agency
11.30	Parallel session D: Advancing the idea of an international platform for resource governance (in cooperation with World Resources Forum Association) Xaver Edelmann President, World Resources Forum Association, Switzerland Paul Ekins Professor of Resources and Environmental Policy, Director, Institute for Sustainable Resources, University College London, member of UNEP International Resource Panel, United Kingdom Victoire de Margerie Vice-President, World Materials Forum, Nancy, France Bruno Oberle Professor, Institute of Technology and Public Policy, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne, Vice-President of the World Resources Forum Association, Switzerland Chair: Bas de Leeuw Managing Director, World Resources Forum Association, Switzerland
13.00	Lunch snack at the exhibition area

14.15	Reports from parallel sessions
15.00	Panel discussion: New impulses for a resource efficient Europe Magda Stoczkiewicz Director, Friends of the Earth Europe, Belgium Karl Falkenberg Senior Adviser for Sustainable Development in the European Political Strategy Centre (EPSC), European Commission Werner Bosmans European Commission, DG Environment, Sustainable Production, Products & Consumption Chair: Dr. Harry Lehmann General Director, Division I "Environmental Planning and Sustainability Strategies", German Environment Agency
16.30	Summary and closing Chair: Dr. Harry Lehmann German Environment Agency
17.00	Get Together European & National Resources Forum 2016, dinner at the exhibition area

Registration

To register for the conference please visit the conference homepage www.resourcesforum.eu.

Venue

The 2016 European Resources Forum will take place at the conference venue "Ludwig Erhard Haus", which is located in the immediate vicinity of the "Berlin Zoologischer Garten" train station. The venue is 5 km away from Berlin's main train station ("Hauptbahnhof") and 7 km away from Tegel Airport. The German Environment Agency recommends that participants travel by public transport.

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