

25 March 2025

13.00 - 13.20

Opening and welcome

Christiane Rohleder, German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection

Claudia Röhl, German Environment Agency - head of division Environmental Health and Protection of Ecosystems



Session 1

Case studies – PFAS pollution in soil and human exposure pathways

Chair André Conrad (UBA)

13:20 – 13:40

The Rastatt case – measures to reduce the PFAS exposure via food and drinking water

Christoph Krakau, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy Sector, Baden-Württemberg, DE

13:40 – 14:00

The Korsør case – PFAS exposure of a local human population by cattle meat

Søren Dyreborg, NIRAS, DK

14:00 – 14:20

From soils into pigs – accumulation of PFAS in wild boar livers illustrated by data from Germany

*Tobias Frische, German Environment Agency,
Jana Rupp, German Institute for Risk Assessment*

14:20 – 14:40

Drinking water contamination with PFAS in Ronneby, Sweden

Dauren Mussabek, Lund University, SE

14:40 – 15:00

PFAS analysis campaigns in eggs from domestic poultry farms in the Lyon conurbation (France) in 2023

Manuel Marquis, French Ministry of Health and Agence régionale de santé Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes (ARS AuRA), FR

15.00-15:30

Coffee break

Session 2

Analytics, monitoring & remediation

Chair Jörg Frauenstein (UBA)

15:30 – 15:50

Analytical tools for PFAS determination in soil – Options and limitations

Frank Thomas Lange, German Water Centre, TZW

15:50 – 16:10

Monitoring of PFAS in soils and soil leachates – Background levels in German and North Rhine-Westphalian top soils

Mareike Mersmann, State Office for Nature, Environment and Consumer Protection North Rhine-Westphalia, LANUV

Lennart Gehrenkemper, German Environment Agency

16:10 – 16:30

The Swiss situation: PFAS background levels and hotspots in soils and groundwater

Bettina Hitzfeld, Federal Office for the Environment - BAFU, CH

16:30 – 16:50

Remediation of PFAS in soil and groundwater: State of the art

Thomas Held, Arcadis

16:50 – 17:30

Overall discussion (session 1 and session 2)

17:30

End of day 1



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18:30

Restaurant Maximilians Berlin · Friedrichstraße 185–190 · 10117 Berlin

09:00 – 09:05	Welcome day 2 <i>German Environment Agency</i>
Session 3	From health concerns to hazard management measures <i>Chair Annetreig Biegel-Engler (UBA)</i>
09:05 – 09:35	Keynote: Unmasking the threat: PFAS exposure through drinking water and its human health impact <i>Mattias Öberg, Karolinska Institute, SE</i>
09:35 – 10:00	Flemish PFAS policy: what have we learned in the meantime? <i>Johan Ceenaeme, Public Waste Agency of Flanders, OVAM, BE</i>
10:00-10:45	Briefings from European countries & discussion <i>Dietmar Müller-Grabherr, AT</i> <i>Julie Kofod, DK</i> <i>Mathijs van de Waardt and Michiel Gadella, NL</i> <i>Michael Hughes, UK</i> <i>Manuel Marquis, FR</i>
10:45– 11:15	Coffee break

26 March 2025

International Conference PFAS in soil – forever pollution, forever concern?

25-26 March 2025
Press and Information Office of the Federal Government (Bundespresseamt)
Reichstagufer 14
10117 Berlin Germany

Online participation via web-stream possible

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Session 4	PFAS in soil – Time to act together <i>Chair Lena Vierke (UBA)</i>
11:15 – 11:25	PFAS in soil and the broader perspective of chemicals regulation <i>Dirk Messner, President of the German Environment Agency</i>
11:25 – 11:35	Presentation of a draft discussion paper "PFAS in soil - time to act together" <i>Tobias Frische, German Environment Agency</i>
11:35 – 12:50	Towards immediate political actions and European cooperation on PFAS in soil Panel discussion <i>Moderation: Dirk Messner, President of the German Environment Agency</i> <i>Panelists</i> <i>Jutta Paulus, Member of the European Parliament</i> <i>Paul Speight, Environment Department of the European Commission, Head of Unit- Safe & Sustainable Chemicals (ENV.B.2)</i> <i>Patrik ten Brink, Secretary General, European Environmental Bureau, EEB</i> <i>Leen Bastiaens, Manager, Knowledge Centre for Innovative Remediation Solutions (KIS); BE</i>
12:50 – 13:00	Wrap up and closure <i>German Environment Agency</i>

