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***The Protection and Sustainable Development
of the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem***



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Programme

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5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. **Inaugural Session**

Chair and introduction: Amedeo POSTIGLIONE, Director, ICEF; Vice President, European Forum of Judges for the Environment; Judge of the Italian Supreme Court, Rome, Italy

Welcoming addresses: Giovanni CONSO, President, National Academy of Lincei, Rome; former President, Italian Constitutional Court, Rome, Italy; Honorary President, ICEF

Massimo CACCIARI, Mayor of Venice, Italy

Introductory address: *The role of the Veneto Region in the protection and sustainable development of the Mediterranean – Black Sea ecosystem*
Giancarlo GALAN, President, Veneto Region, Venice, Italy

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. *Which priorities for the protection and sustainable development of the Mediterranean-Black Sea ecosystem?*

David Grant LAWRENCE, Director, Water, Chemicals and Cohesion, DG Environment, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium

Corrado CLINI, Director General for Research, Environment and Development, Italian Ministry of the Environment, Land Protection and the Sea, Rome, Italy

Giovanni PUGLISI, President, Italian National Commission for UNESCO, Rome, Italy

Giuseppe CAVARRETTA, Director, Department Earth and Environment, National Research Council (CNR), Rome, Italy

Paul MIFSUD, Coordinator, Mediterranean Action Plan, UNEP/MAP, Athens, Greece

Ahmet KIDEYS, Executive Director, Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea against Pollution, Istanbul, Turkey

7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. *Environmental damage and access to justice for individuals and groups at the international level*

Francesco FRANCIANI, European University Institute, Florence, Italy

Fulco PRATESI, President, WWF, Rome, Italy

International Forum of Women for an International Court of the Environment:

Pinuccia MONTANARI, City Council of Reggio Emilia, Italy

Celestina TINELLI, Lawyer; Council of the Judiciary, Rome, Italy

7:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception

Friday 25 May

9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **I Session - The Protection and Sustainable Development of the Mediterranean – Black Sea Ecosystem: the Legal Framework**

Chair and introduction: Paul MIFSUD, Coordinator, Mediterranean Action Plan, UNEP/MAP, Athens, Greece

The international protection of the Mediterranean: the role of law
Tullio SCOVAZZI, University of Milan, Italy

The Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution
Ahmet KIDEYS, Executive Director, Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea against Pollution, Istanbul, Turkey

The protection of nature and biodiversity in the Mediterranean-Black Sea integrated ecosystem
Sheila ABED de ZAVALA, Chair, Commission on Environmental Law, IUCN, Gland, Switzerland

The Black Sea legal regime: what is missing?
Nilufer ORAL, Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey

European environmental law principles and the protection of the sea
Giovanni CORDINI, University of Pavia, Italy

The special legal framework for safeguarding Venice and the Lagoon
Alfredo BIAGINI, Lawyer, Rome, Italy

General debate

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. *Coffee-break*

11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **II Session - The Protection and Sustainable Development of the Mediterranean – Black Sea Ecosystem: Strategies of Prevention, Monitoring and Pollution Emergency Response**

Chair and introduction: George KREMLIS, Head of Unit, Cohesion Policy and Environmental Impact Assessments, DG Environment, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium

Greenhouse effect and climate change: which future for the Mediterranean Sea?
Antonio NAVARRA, Director, The Euro-Mediterranean Center for Climate Change, Lecce, Italy

Environmental monitoring in the Mediterranean-Black Sea ecosystem: advanced technologies
Roberto SOMMA, Thales Alenia Space, Rome, Italy

The integrated coastal zone management in the Mediterranean Sea
Sergio MARCHISIO, Director, Institute for International Legal Studies on the International Community, National Research Council, Rome, Italy

Prevention of and response to pollution from sea-based sources in the Mediterranean Sea: priorities and future challenges
Frédéric HEBERT, Director, Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea-REMPEC, Malta

Ecosystem approaches and the competences of the European Community in Fisheries Law
Detlef CZYBULKA, University of Rostock, Germany

Water Framework Directive Implementation for coastal and transitional waters in the Mediterranean ecosystem: strategic approaches and future perspectives

Giuseppe NERIO CARUGNO, Commissioner, ICRAM- Central Institute for Scientific and Technological Marine Research, Rome, Italy

Round table with the participation of: Giancarlo BOERI, Director for Water and Sea Protection, **APAT**-Italian National Agency for Environmental Protection, Rome, Italy; Fausto MARTINELLI, Acting Director General, **Italian State Forestry Corp**, Rome, Italy; **Italian Coasts Guard**; **NOE-Operational Ecology Unit**, Carabinieri, Italy; Patrizia FANTILLI, Senior Legal Officer, **WWF**, Rome, Italy; Alessandro GIANNÍ, **Greenpeace**, Rome, Italy; Pino LUCCHESI, President, **Mareamico**, Rome, Italy; Daniele CALZA BINI, International Department, **Legambiente**, Rome, Italy; Vincenzo SATTA, Director General, **National Park of the Maddalena**, Italy; Francine COUSTEAU, President, **Equipe Cousteau**, Paris, France; Agni VLAVIANOS-ARVANITIS, President, **Biopolitics International Organisation**, Athens, Greece

1:30 p.m.

Buffet-lunch

2:30 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

III Session - The Implementation and Enforcement of the Law Protecting the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem: National Reports

Chair and introduction: Adel Omar SHERIF, Vice President, Constitutional Court, Cairo, Egypt; President, Arab Forum of Judges for the Environment

National Reports

Morocco

Saad MOUMMI, Supreme Court, Rabat

Algeria

Noureddine BECHA, Ministry of the Environment, Alger

Tunisia

Rhida MEZGHANI, Lawyer and professor, University of Tunis

Egypt

Ahmed EL ANWER, Ministry of the Environment, Cairo

Adel Omar SHERIF, Vice President, Constitutional Supreme Court, Cairo

Lebanon

Tarek MAJZOUB, Supreme Court, Beirut

Israel

Dalia DORNER, Supreme Court, Jerusalem

Cyprus

Melina PYRGOU, Lawyer

Serbian Republic

Majda KRSIKAPA, Supreme Court, Belgrade

Montenegro

Slavica BRAUNOVIC, Ministry of Tourism and Environmental Protection, Podgorica

Miroslava RAICEVIC, Ministry for Economical Development, Podgorica

Albania

Besnik IMERAJ, Supreme Court, Tirana

Narin PANARITI, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Water Administration, Tirana

Sabri LAÇI, University of Tirana

General debate

4:50 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Coffee-break*

5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. **IV Session-The Implementation and Enforcement of the Law Protecting the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem: National Reports**

Chair and introduction: Vladimir GOLITSYN, former Director, UN Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, New York

National Reports

Bulgaria

Maria IVANOVA, Supreme Court, Sofia

Georgia

Konstantine KUBLASHVILI, President, Supreme Court, Tbilisi

Romania

Corina Michaela JIJIIE, Supreme Court, Bucharest

Russia

Mario TESSITORE, Pavia&Ansaldo Law Firm, Moscow

Turkey

Tacettin SIMSEK, Council of State, Ankara

Sedat KADIOGLU, Head, Department for Foreign Relations, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Ankara

Ukraine

Tatiana GOSHOVSKA, Supreme Court, Kiev

Victoria N. RADCHENKO, Director, International Oceans Institute, Operational Centre, Kiev

General debate

Saturday 26 May

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. **V Session - The Implementation and Enforcement of the Law Protecting the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem: National Reports**

Chair and introduction: Robert REED, Court of Session, Edinburgh; President, EU Forum of Judges for the Environment, Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom

The role of the Council of Europe in the protection of nature, landscape and coasts of the Mediterranean-Black Sea ecosystem
Maguelonne DEJEANT-PONS, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France

The enforcement provisions of Directive 2005/35/EC and framework Decision 2005 /667/JHA concerning ship-source pollution
Luc LAVRYSEN, Constitutional Court, Brussels, Belgium

National Reports

Spain

Rafael FERNANDEZ VALVERDE, Supreme Court, Madrid

France

Domimique GUIHAL, Supreme Court of Cassation, Paris

Monaco

Patrick VAN KLAVEREN, Chair, Pelagos Sanctuary Agreement Scientific Committee, Monaco

Astrid CLAUDEL-RUSIN, Ministry for Public Works, Environment and Urban Development, Monaco

Italy

Amedeo POSTIGLIONE, Supreme Court of Cassation, Rome; ICEF Director, Rome; Vice President, EU Forum of Judges for the Environment

Angelica CARNELOS, General Directorate for Research, Environment and Development, Ministry of the Environment, Land Protection and the Sea, Rome

10:40 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. Coffee-Break

Greece

Constantinos MENOUDAKOS, Council of State, Athens

Vassili Th. COSTOPOULOS, Lawyer, Athens

Malta

Gino CAMILLERI, Constitutional Court, Valletta

Slovenia

Mirjam ŠKRK, Vice President, Constitutional Court, Ljubljana

Croatia

Mira MEDIĆ, Assistant Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Zagreb

Marijana A. MANCE, Ministry of the Environment, Zagreb

Katarina BULJAN, Supreme Court, Zagreb

General Debate

12:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **VI Session - The Implementation and Enforcement of the Law Protecting the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem: the Big Rivers and Compared Experiences with Other European Marine Ecosystems**

Chair and introduction: Marco GASPARINETTI, Policy Desk Officer, Protection of Water and Marine Environment, DG Environment, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium

Legal and institutional mechanisms of international cooperation for the protection of the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem: the Danube River basin example

Ivan ZAVADSKY, Director, UNDP/GEF Danube/Black Sea Regional Programme, Vienna; ICPDR-International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River

Sweden

The management and cooperation in the Baltic Sea area

Ulf BJÄLLAS, Environmental Court of Appeal, Stockholm, Sweden; Vice President, EU Forum of Judges for the Environment

Germany

Protecting marine biodiversity in Germany: the process of establishing marine protected areas in the EEZ of the Baltic Sea and North Sea

Henning VON NORDHEIM, Head, Marine and Coastal Nature Conservation, German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation, Rügen, Germany

Hungary

From the river to the sea: regional initiatives for co-operation on the Sava river and the Adriatic Sea

Stephen STEC, Head, Environmental Law Programme, Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe, Szentendre, Hungary

General debate/round table with the participation of:
Stefan ROSENMAYR, Administrative Court, Vienna, **Austria**;
Indrek KOOLMEISTER, Supreme Court, Tallinn, **Estonia**;
Stasys STACIOKAS, Constitutional Court, Vilnius, **Lithuania**;
Thomas SMYTH, High Court, Dublin, **Ireland**

1:20 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Conclusions - Venice Statement 2007: Priorities for the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Mediterranean-Black Sea Ecosystem**
Deirdre EXELL PIRRO, ICEF International Relations Officer, Florence, Italy

1:30 p.m. Luncheon-Break

INFORMATION

Workshop Venue

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English, French and Italian (with simultaneous interpretation)

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