

## **Title of Working Group: IPP Reporting Formats**

### **Objective**

The working group will:

1. review the types of information that could usefully be reported;
2. examine their relative availability in Member States and stakeholders;
3. draw up a suggested list for information to be reported;
4. devise a format for reporting.

### **Composition**

Around 10 experts from the aforementioned bodies that have a good knowledge of the data available and the formats in which it can be presented. The EEA will also be invited to contribute. The group will be chaired by the Commission.

### **Duration**

15 months, with completion by the beginning of 2006, in order allow the formats to be used for reporting at the end of 2006. The results of stage 3 will be presented to the Regular Meeting for discussion in Autumn 2005. Following this the format itself will be developed.

### **Financing necessary**

For participation some funding of experts may be made available by the Commission. Depending on the outcome of the group, some financing may be needed for a contract to devise an electronic template. The Commission will consider providing this, if necessary.

### **Description of likely activities**

In the IPP Communication the Commission undertook to report to the European Parliament and Council in 2007 on the progress being made in implementing IPP. This report will allow the Commission and the institutions to reflect on whether the nature and direction of IPP needs to be altered.

This report will be based on information submitted to the Commission by Member States and stakeholders by the end of 2006. In order for the Commission to be in a position to make a meaningful assessment, the information submitted should be as comparable, reliable and comprehensive as possible. However, the collection, presentation and submission of such information also needs to be made as simple as possible, and synergies with other reporting frameworks maximised.

It is estimated that it will meet five times, with additional work being done through e-mail.

### **Output**

A comprehensive description of the information which should be contained within the report along with a recommendation for its format and means of transmission to the Commission.