

Health and Environment Working Party

**European
Environment & Health Action Plan 2004-2010**

**Mid –Term Review
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Mid term review

Commitment in Action Plan

Commission Communication

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 Commission's contribution to the WHO, IMR meeting in Vienna (13-15 June 2007)

Purpose of the Mid term review

Progress

*New
focus*

Weakness

*New
priorities*

Structure of the Communication

Political chapeau

Annex

1. **Context**
2. **Integrating environment and health**
3. **Progress** on the implementation of the action plan
 - Improving **information** chain
 - Knowledge** gaps
 - Reviewing and adjusting **risk reduction policies**
4. Summary of **progress on health related environmental policies**
5. **Conclusion**

Highlights

- Importance of work on environment and health in relation to the renewed **Sustainable development Strategy** and the **Lisbon agenda**
- Integration of health and environment as a good example of inter-sectoral work "**health in all Policies**"
- Main achievement so far: **strengthened cooperation between environment, health, and research fields at Community and MS level**

Focus on Integration

- Integration of Environment & Health information
- Integration of outcomes of projects in policy actions
- Sharing of responsibilities and need to strengthen cooperation

More focus needed

vulnerable groups

Priority diseases

Emerging issues

Some future orientations

❑ Information

- Follow-up of **tasks** identified in the Information Review
- Human Biomonitoring post-pilot-phase will explore feasibility to include human **biomonitoring in an established framework**

❑ Filling the **knowledge gaps**

- Dissemination and analyses of **project** results **for policy making**
- Research on **causes of environmental related diseases** via EU wide epidemiological study
- Analyse of funded projects on integrated risk assessment **methodologies and models**

❑ Reviewing and **adjusting risk reduction policies**

- Training of professionals
- Coordinating risk reduction measures on priority diseases
- Indoor air quality

Conclusions

- ❑ Continuation of implementation of the 13 actions from Action Plan and of the 14 tasks from the Information Review
- ❑ Working on integration of environment and health aspects into other policy area
- ❑ Attention to vulnerable groups and integration of actors involved
- ❑ Exploit outcomes of projects in policy actions
- ❑ Focus on emerging issues
- ❑ Presentation of the mid term review in the Commission's Green Week on 12th June 2007 in Brussels
- ❑ Presentation of the mid term review in the WHO, Intergovernmental Midterm Review meeting on environment and health in Vienna in June 2007



Thank you for your attention

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