



TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER

A new tool to bring together environmental implementation experts Launch Event

Organised by the European Commission and the European Committee of the Regions

Thursday 7 September 2017

Background: the TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER tool

The Directorate-General for Environment is launching a new tool for peer-to-peer exchanges among national, regional and local authorities in Member States, called TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER. The tool is based on the existing TAIEX instrument, already in use by the Directorate-General European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations. It is aimed at helping Member States to improve their implementation of EU-based environmental policy and law, including tackling (administrative) root causes, inspired by the implementation challenges indicated in the Environmental Implementation Review (EIR).

TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER webpage

For more details about the initiative and application forms please visit the dedicated TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER webpage which will be online as from 1st September 2017:

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eir/p2p_en.htm

The launch event: date and place

EIR PEER 2 PEER will be officially launched at a seminar co-organised by the European Commission and the European Committee of the Regions on **7 September 2017, from 14.30 to 17.00** at **Rue van Maerlant 2, room VMA 1, 1040 Brussels**.

Agenda (provisional)

14:00-14:30	Registration and welcome coffee
14:30-14:40	Welcome / The EIR Peer 2 Peer as opportunity for regions and local authorities <i>Andrew Cooper</i> , European Committee of the Regions' (CoR) rapporteur on the EIR

14:40-14:50	Opening Remarks (video message) <i>Karmenu Vella</i> , Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
14:50-15:05	TAIEX-EIR PEER 2 PEER – a tool for capacity building on environmental implementation tbc: <i>Aurel Ciobanu-Dordea / Ion Codescu / Louis Meuleman</i> (ENV)
15:05-15:20	Examples of good practices on environmental implementation <i>Mario Pagano</i> , former collaborator DG ENV; European University Institute, Florence
15:20-15:30	Reflection from the European Parliament <i>Benedek Jávor</i> , Member of the European Parliament (Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance)
15:30-16:00	How to apply for support under EIR PEER2PEER: – presentation of the TAIEX instrument <i>Scott Bowen</i> , Team Leader, Institution Building, TAIEX, Twinning Unit - DG Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations
16:00-16:20	How the Commission supports Member States – TAIEX and SRSS <i>Lawrence Meredith</i> , Director Neighbourhood East - DG Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations) <i>Christoph Klockenbring</i> (Structural Reform Support Service SRSS)
16:20-16:50	Questions and discussion
16:50-17:00	Closing remarks <i>Andrew Cooper</i> (CoR)

Webstreaming

You can watch the recordings of the launch event presentations

Press Release

Press release about the event (tbc)

Contact

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