

**Aarhus Convention**  
**Study Tour on the Implementation of the Aarhus Convention in Italy**  
December 19-21, 2016  
*Rome, Italian Geographical Society, Via della Navicella 12*

**December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - Access to Environmental Information**

**10.00-10.30      Opening session**

- Welcoming address - *Giovanni Brunelli, Head of Unit on Sustainability, Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea (IMELS)*
- Opening remarks - *Esra Buttanri, Head, Environmental Co-operation Unit, Senior Environmental Affairs Adviser, Office of the Coordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities*
- Belarus Delegation

**10.30-13.30      Session 1: Environmental information, moderator Massimo Cozzone, Aarhus Focal Point, IMELS**

- **Data collection and production of environmental information**
  - Implementing Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe (INSPIRE): perspectives and innovations - *Laura Petriglia, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS*
  - The Environmental Protection National System (SNPA) and the communication to the public - *Cristina Pacciani, ISPRA*

**11.15-11.30      Coffee**

- **Access to environmental information**
  - The Project Si-URP: networking Public Relations Offices for a better environmental information - *Diana Aponte/Silvia Lodi, National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA)*
  - Open data: Techniques and examples of data dissemination, data visualization and data sharing - *Laura Tosco, National Institute of Statistics Italy (ISTAT)*
- **Dissemination of environmental information**
  - Making the environmental information available to the public – *Salvatore Bianca, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS*
  - Environmental information for better citizen participation, *Maria Maranò, Legambiente (NGO)*

**13.30-14.30      Lunch**

**14.30-16.00      Session 2: Access to environmental information: case studies and local experiences, moderator Flavia Piperno, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS**

- *Environmental Open-data in Emilia-Romagna, Mauro Rossi, Emilia Romagna Region Agency for Environmental Protection (ARPAE)*
- *Web-GIS supporting environmental assessment in Emilia-Romagna - Paolo Cagnoli, ARPAE*
- *Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH): exchange of information on GMOs - Flavia Piperno, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS*

**16.00-16.30      Coffee**

**16.30-17.00      Visit to the Italian Geographical Society premises (a guided tour)**

**19.00-21.00      Welcome dinner - Restaurant "Orazio", via di Porta Latina 5, 00179 Rome**

## December 20th, 2016: Environmental Information and Public Participation

### 9.30-9.45 Opening remarks

- The Role of Aarhus Convention in the international new context - *Director General Francesco La Camera, IMELS (tbc)*

### 9.45-10.45 Session 3: Environment assessment and Public Participation, moderator Chiara Landini, IMELS

- Public Participation in EIA and SEA decision-making - *Antonio Venditti, Head of Unit on Environmental Assessment, IMELS*
- Actions and tools for information and participation in EIA and SEA processes - *Paola Ceoloni/Monica Torchio, IMELS*

### 10.45-11.00 Coffee

### 11.00-13.30 Session 4: Participation in decision making process, moderator Loredana Dall'Ora, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS

- Sustainable development in a participatory manner: from Agenda 21 to Agenda 2030 - *Mara Cossu, IMELS*
- Mediation and Participatory Processes - *Gabriella Rossi Crespi, IMELS*
- Build up a participatory local development strategy - *Sabina Bordiga, LAG (Local Action Group) Oglio Po*
- Public participation in international fora relating to the environment: the role of NGOs - *Andrea Stocchiero, Federation of Christian Organizations for International Volunteer Service (FOCSIV) (Network of NGOs)*
- Open Coesione - *Carlo Amati/Simona De Luca, Italian Presidency of the Council of the Ministers/ Department for Cohesion Policy*
- Rete Ambientale: Sharing environmental information on cohesion policy - *Gianluca Capri, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS*

### 13.30-14.30 Lunch

### 14.30-16.00 Public participation: regional and local experiences, moderator Loredana Dall'Ora, T.A. Sogesid-IMELS

- Environmental assessment and public participation - *Alessandro Di Stefano, Emilia Romagna Region*
- Land stewardship and active engagement of local actors
  - the experience of landscape contract - *Donatella Venti, Provincia di Terni*
  - the experience of river contracts - *Cristiana Avenali, Lazio Region*
  - the experience of RomaNatura - *Maurizio Gubbiotti, RomaNatura*

### 16:00-16.30 Coffee

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## December 21th, 2016: Fieldwork

### 9.30-11.00 Visit to the National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA)

- Introduction by Mariaconcetta Giunta on the Environmental Protection National System SnPA: gathering, harmonizing and monitoring data
- Visit to ISPRA library
- Closing remarks by Director General Stefano Laporta

### 11.30-13.00 Study visit to the Appia Antica Regional Park

- Meeting with the Association Humus Onlus at the Park House ("Casa del Parco"): the Vigna Cardinali farmhouse. Hospitality and sustainable tourism: from battles for environmental protection to participatory management
- Meeting with the Association Tor Fiscale Onlus at the Tor Fiscale farmhouse. Jewel in the suburbs, from degradation to excellence
- Meeting with the Director of the Park Authority, Ms. Alma Rossi and with the associations "Legambiente-Appia Sud" and "Volontari per gli Acquedotti". Welcoming to the Appia Antica Park: participatory management models

### 13.00-14.00 Lunch

### 14.00-15.30 Walking tour along the park