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Invitation to 10th Eionet workshop on resource and waste management on the topic of:

Sustainable Consumption and Production

Kranj (Ljubljana), Slovenia, 25-26 September 2007

The European Environment Agency and its European Topic Centre on Resource and Waste Management (ETC/RWM) hereby have the pleasure of inviting you to the 10th Eionet workshop on resource and waste management. As announced in eNews no. 21 of May 2007 and our letter of 25 May 2007, the workshop will take place on **Tuesday 25** and Wednesday 26 September 2007 in Kranj (Ljubljana), Slovenia.

The objective of the workshop is to present the current and planned work within SCP in the EEA and the Topic Centre, and to initiate a discussion with the country representatives on the future EEA work in the field of SCP. This is particularly timely in the context of preparing the scope of the new European Topic Centre which will in 2009 supersede the existing ETC/RWM.

In addition, we will review during the workshop what is happening in selected individual countries as well as at the European level. We will look at policies, strategies, and processes behind them, and we will discuss concrete tools and instruments to move in a more sustainable direction.

Finally, the Topic Centre will inform the countries on progress of other relevant Topic Centre projects, and there will as usual be an opportunity to network among the representatives.

As the main theme of the workshop will be on Sustainable Consumption and Production, the EEA kindly suggests to NFPs that, to best contribute to and benefit from the discussions at the workshop, the appointed national representatives should be informed about the national actions and initiatives in SCP in their own country.

The EEA will cover travel expenses and accommodation for **one representative** from the EEA member countries and from the six WB cooperating non-member countries (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia). The workshop will start at 13.30 on 25 September and end at 17.00 on 26 September. The WB cooperating countries will receive additional information and ticket ordering form.

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E-mail: eea@eea.europa.eu Web: www.eea.europa.eu Participants who need Slovenian visa should obtain it individually (see the application form: http://www.mzz.gov.si/en/visa_information/application_form/). The invitation letter from Environmental Agency of Republic of Slovenia should be enclosed. Please send the following data: full name, present address, date and place of birth, and passport number to the following e-mail address: speu.arso@gov.si. The Environmental Agency of Republic of Slovenia will then send the invitation letter to the specified address. This e-mail address can also be used to obtain other information e.g. of the respective Slovenian embassy to which the visa request letter should be sent.

Please find in the enclosure various documents with practical information about logistics, travel and accommodation. We invite you to return your registration form as well as ticket and hotel ordering form as soon as possible and no later than 15 August 2007. Please note that at this time of the year hotels and travel options to Slovenia are in high demand and arrangements need to be made well in advance.

To avoid disappointment, please return the filled in registration form to Ms Bodil Larsen at Bodil Larsen@eea.europa.eu or fax +45 33 36 71 28 no later than 15 August 2007.

Further details, including a draft agenda will be available in August from Circa. They will also be sent to you directly in the second half of August.

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Yours sincerely,

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- Registration form
- Ticket and hotel order form
- Financial identification
- Application form for reimbursement of expenses
- EEA travel and reimbursement policy for meetings and interviews