

New momentum for the environmental agenda in the Western Balkans and Turkey?

Exchange platform for environmental NGOs and institutional
stakeholders from the EU and the region

Online conference on 22 October 2020

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Connection details will be shared with all registered participants.

Session 1: The Green Agenda for the Balkans and new opportunities for environmental NGOs in region

10:00 – 11:30 CET

Facilitator: Patrizia Heidegger, Director Global Policies & Sustainability, EEB

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome

10:10 – 10:45 The Green Agenda for the Balkans: latest developments

Madalina Ivanica, Coordinator Enlargement Sector, DG Environment, European Commission

10:45 – 11:20 Q&A and moderated discussion

11:20 – 11:30 Summary and closing

Session 2: Accession and Chapter 27: progress and challenges in improving environmental policies in candidate countries

13:00 – 14:30 CET

Facilitator: Patrizia Heidegger, Director Global Policies & Sustainability, EEB

13:00 – 13:05 Welcome and introduction

13:05 – 13:15 Kick off: EU Accession - which opportunities for the environment and eNGOs?

Tony Vidan, Zelena Akcija (Friends of the Earth Croatia), Vice-President EEB (invited)

13:15 – 14:00 Interactive breakout sessions with country Desk Officers from DG NEAR

Speakers and facilitators to be confirmed

14:00 – 14:25 Report back from breakout sessions

14:25 – 14:30 Closure

Session 3: EU and UN-led projects in the region: what participation opportunities for eNGOs?

15:30 – 16:45 CET

Facilitator: Bernhard Zlanabitnig, EEB Vice-President

15:30 – 15:35 Introduction

15:35 – 15:45 EU Environment Partnership Programme for Accession (EPPA) and possibilities for eNGO to participate

Mihail Dimovski, EPPA Team leader

15:45 – 16:10 Q&A and moderated discussion

16:10 – 16:25 UN Environment South East European Platform to Beat Pollution and possibilities for eNGOS to participate

Sonja Gebert, GEF Coordination Specialist, Vienna Programme Office, UN Environment Programme

16:25 – 16:40 Q&A

16:40 - 16:45 Closure