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Agenda

**EU nature and impact assessments legislation and compliance promotion**

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Ministry of Agriculture and the Environment

Dunajska 22, Ljubljana, Slovenia

<b>9:45 Arrivals/Registration</b>			
<i>Chairing: Vesna Kolar Planinšič</i>			
<b>10:00</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and introduction to the meeting</b>	<i>Ministry of Agriculture and Environment, Branko Ravnik, State secretary</i>
<b>10:30</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>General introduction to the compliance with the EU environmental legislation in Slovenia</b>	<b>Maja Desgrees du Lou</b> , Directorate-General Environment, A1 Unit - enforcement, infringements co-ordination and legal issues
<b>11:00</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Compliance with the EU nature legislation</b>	
	3.a	General introduction to the Habitats (92/43/EEC) and Birds Directives (2009/147/EC, codification)	<b>Stefan Leiner</b> , Head of Unit, Directorate-General Environment, B3 Unit - Nature
	3.b	Managing Natura 2000 sites: the provisions of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive Discussion	
	3.c	Complying with the provisions of Article 6 (3) of the Habitats Directive — an appropriate assessment: • screening • appropriate assessment • alternative solutions Discussion	
<b>Coffee break</b>			
	3.d	Complying with the provisions of Article 6(4) of the Habitats Directive — compensatory measures: • alternative solutions • imperative reasons of overriding public interest • compensatory measures • overall coherence • Opinion of the Commission Discussion	
<b>12.30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>13:30</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Compliance with the EU impact assessments legislation</b>	
	4.a	Introduction to the EIA Directive (2011/92/EU, codification): • relevant European Court of Justice rulings • linkages with the Article 6(3) assessment Discussion	<b>Georges Kremlis</b> , Head of Unit, Directorate-General Environment, A 3 Unit - Cohesion Policy and Environmental Impact Assessments
	4.b	Introduction to the SEA Directive (2001/42/EC): • linkages with the Article 6(3) assessment Discussion	
	4.c	Cohesion Policy 2014-2020: EIA and SEA ex-ante conditionalities Discussion	
<b>15:30</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Closing discussion session: identification of key issues related to compliance with the EU nature and impact assessments legislation</b>	<i>Ministry of Agriculture and Environment</i>

**16:00** *Closure of the meeting*