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Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution

Working Group on Effects

**International Cooperative Programme on Effects
of Air Pollution on Natural Vegetation and Crops**

An invitation to participate in the

**31st Task Force Meeting of the
UNECE ICP Vegetation**

Dessau-Roßlau, Germany

Monday 5th - Thursday 8th March, 2018

Information about the meeting, travel details and a registration form are included in this document. The meeting will accommodate approximately 90 participants, and places will be allocated on a first come, first served principle. The final programme will be distributed in February 2018.



31st Task Force Meeting of the UNECE ICP Vegetation 5 – 8 March 2018

Meeting venue

The 31st Task Force Meeting (TFM) of the ICP Vegetation will be held at the Umweltbundesamt (Germany's Federal Environment Agency), Wörlitzer Platz 1, Dessau-Roßlau, Germany.

Practical information on how to reach the Umweltbundesamt in Dessau-Roßlau can be found here:

<https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/sites/default/files/medien/377/dokumente/dessau-e.pdf>

Accommodation, meals and costs

The TFM will take place near the Dessau-Roßlau main train station. Below is a list of some hotels in the neighbourhood:

Radisson Blu Hotel Fürst Leopold, Dessau **** (198 rooms)

<https://www.radissonblu.com/en/hotel-dessau>

Friedensplatz, 06844 Dessau-Roßlau

Tel: +49 (0) 340 25150

Email: info.dessau@radissonblu.com

NH Hotel Dessau **** (152 rooms)

Zerbster Strasse 29, 06844 Dessau-Roßlau

<https://www.nh-hotels.de/hotel/nh-dessau>

Tel: +49 (0) 340 25140

Email: nhdessau@nh-hotels.com

Hotel 7 Säulen *** (24 rooms)

Ebertallee 66, 06844 Dessau

<https://www.hotel-7-saeulen.de/>

Tel: +49 (0) 340 619620

Email: hotel_7_saeulen@aol.com

Pension Nord (14 rooms)

Kantstraße 2, 06844 Dessau

http://www.pension-nord.de/en_GB/lage/

Tel: +49 (0) 340 2210827

Email: luft@pension-nord.de

Pension am Pollingpark (8 rooms)

Tornauer Str. 39, 06842 Dessau

<http://www.pension-am-pollingpark.de/>

Tel: +49 (0) 340 87112312

Email: pension-am-pollingpark@hotmail.com

City Pension Dessau-Rosslau(24 rooms)
Ackerstraße 3A, 06842 Dessau
http://www.city-pension.travel/index_en.html
Tel: +49 (0) 340 8823076

No rooms have been reserved in hotels by the local organisers. Participants are responsible for their own room reservation, by phone, email or by logging onto the hotels web sites.

A package deal has been arranged and it includes refreshments during coffee breaks, lunches served at the canteen at the conference site, welcome reception (Monday evening, March 5, 2018), conference dinner (Wednesday evening, March 7, 2018) and a visit of the UNESCO world cultural heritage site Bauhaus (Wednesday afternoon, March 7, 2018).

The cost of this package is 100 Euros.

This package does not include evening meals for any evening not specified above. The cost of the package for accompanying persons is 100 Euros too.

**Payment is due to bank transfer in advance, only.
Deadline is February 2, 2018.**

Bank name	Landesbank Hessen-Thüringen
Account holder	Justus-Liebig-University Giessen
IBAN number	DE98500500000001006550
BIC/SWIFT code	HELADEFF
Cost unit	10810470
Project number	63600048

Please indicate as payment description: ICP and the name of the participant

Payment in cash at registration on 5th of 6th March is not possible.

The invoice will be given at the meeting at the registration desk. If participants need an invitation letter please contact Ludger.Gruenhagen@bot2.bio.uni-giessen.de.

Visa

If you are a citizen of a country, which requires a visa to visit Germany, please see:

http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/EinreiseUndAufenthalt/03_Visabestimmungen/Visabestimmungen_node.html

Registration

Please return your registration form by **Friday 15 December 2017** at the latest to Harry Harmens (hh@ceh.ac.uk).

Posters and presentations

There will be opportunities for participants to give an oral presentation or present a poster. Oral presentations will generally be 20 min (15 min presentation + 5 min discussion).

Authors are requested to indicate their preferred presentation on the enclosed **REGISTRATION FORM**.

One-page **ABSTRACTS** will be published in a book of abstracts. The book of abstracts will be circulated to all participants before the meeting in pdf format and made available from the ICP Vegetation web site (<http://icpvegetation.ceh.ac.uk>).

Authors should prepare their abstracts according to the enclosed instructions and e-mail them by **Friday 26th January 2018** to Harry Harmens (hh@ceh.ac.uk).

Please do not hesitate to contact

Ludger Grünhage (Ludger.Gruenhage@bot2.bio.uni-giessen.de)

Jürgen Bender (juergen.bender@thuenen.de)

or

Harry Harmens (hh@ceh.ac.uk)

if you need further details or have any queries.

A provisional programme is provided below.

Provisional Programme

Monday 5th March, 2018

- 17:00** Registration in the building of the Umweltbundesamt, Wörlitzer Platz 1, 06844 Dessau-Roßlau
- 18:30** Welcome reception

Tuesday 6th March, 2018

- 08:00** Late registration and putting up posters
- Session 1: 09:00 – 10:45 Plenary session**
- 09:00** Welcome address
- 10:45 – 11:30 Coffee/tea and poster viewing (with authors at poster)**
- Session 2: 11:30 – 13:00 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**
- Session 3: 14:00 – 15:30 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/tea and poster viewing**
- Session 4: 15:30 – 17:30 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**

Wednesday 7th March, 2018

- Session 5: 09:00 – 10:30 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/tea and poster viewing**
- Session 6: 11:00 – 13:00 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**
- Session 7: 14:00 – 15:30 Two parallel sessions: Ozone and Moss survey**
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/tea and poster viewing**
- 16:30** Visit of the UNESCO world cultural heritage site Bauhaus
- 18:30** **Conference Dinner** at the restaurant "Brauhaus Zum Alten Dessauer", Lange Gasse 16, 06844 Dessau-Roßlau

Thursday 8th March, 2018

- Session 8: 09:00 – 11:00 Plenary session**

Note: The final programme will depend on presentations offered.

Parallel sessions:

There will be several parallel sessions on 'Ozone' and 'Moss survey'. Depending on papers offered, the following topics are likely to be presented and discussed:

Ozone:

- Application and new developments of flux-based methodology and critical levels for crops, forest trees and (semi-)natural vegetation;
- Updates required to Scientific Background Document B for Chapter 3 of the Modelling and Mapping Manual;
- Progress on improving and validating soil moisture index in the EMEP model;
- Monitoring and recording ozone damage on vegetation – EU National Emission Ceilings Directive (2016/2284/EU) and smart-phone App;
- Evidence of ozone impacts on crops in developing regions;
- Interactive impacts of ozone and nitrogen on vegetation in a changing climate.

Moss survey:

- Experiences with data submission for the 2015/16 moss survey;
- Results and maps of the 2015/16 moss survey on heavy metals, nitrogen and POPs (at national and regional scale);
- Further development and application of mosses as biomonitors of heavy metal, nitrogen and POPs pollution;
- Preparations for the 2020 moss survey, including moss survey manual.

Both sessions:

- Outreach activities in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA), Asia and other regions (e.g. Africa, South-America);
- Collaboration with other subsidiary bodies of the Convention, including other ICPs and EMEP Centres/Task Forces.