



Technical Sessions

10th CONCAWE Symposium

February 25, 2013 – Brussels, Belgium

For those arriving early, you are invited to join your choice of two Technical Sessions that will be held in parallel starting at 10h30 and ending no later than 12h00.

Technical Session 1: 2013 'Year of Air': Background to EU Air Policy (Tintoretto I & II)

The European Commission has declared 2013 to be the 'Year of Air'. Stakeholder consultations were initiated in 2011 in order to inform a comprehensive review of the EU's current air policy instruments. It is expected that this review will lead to a Commission Communication on Air Policy in September 2013. This Communication (in the form of a revised Thematic Strategy on Air Pollution) will likely be accompanied by one or more legislative proposals for the revision of current Air Policy Directives, i.e. the National Emissions Ceilings Directive and the Ambient Air Quality Directive. The Communication may also form the starting point for further emission reductions from international shipping in European Seas.

This Technical Session will provide an overview of the current EU regulatory framework and the Commission process for the review of Air Policy in the 'Year of Air'. Integrated air quality modelling remains the cornerstone of the EU's policy development process. Key principles underpinning this modelling will be discussed and the application of modelling tools will be illustrated with some policy relevant examples.

Technical Session 1 The 'Year of Air': Background to EU Air Policy

Monday, February 25, 2013

<i>09h30</i>	<i>Symposium Registration</i>
<i>Symposium Technical Sessions</i>	
<i>10h30 to 12h00</i>	<i>Technical Session 1: 2013 'Year of Air' (Tintoretto I & II)</i>
	<i>Technical Session 2: JEC Consortium: WTW Version 4 & Biofuels Study (Watteau I & II)</i>
<i>10h30</i>	<i>Introduction to Technical Session 1: EU Air Policy Framework Eddy Van Bouwel, ExxonMobil</i>
<i>10h55</i>	<i>Integrated Air Quality Modelling: the GAINS model Les White, CONCAWE Consultant</i>
<i>11h40</i>	<i>Questions & Answers</i>
<i>12h00</i>	<i>End of Technical Session 1</i>



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Eddy Van Bouwel, ExxonMobil

Eddy assumed his current position as European Regulatory & Environment Manager with ExxonMobil on April 1, 2009. He is active within several oil and chemical industry trade organizations, chairs a number of trade organization committees and work groups, with focus on the development of European environmental legislation. At the international level he has been working with IPIECA, the International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association, on MARPOL Annex VI since 2006.

Eddy holds a Chemical Engineering degree from the University of Ghent and a Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering Science from the California Institute of Technology. He is a Fulbright Alumnus and Honorary Fellow of the Commission for Relief in Belgium. Eddy is member of the Royal Flemish Engineering Society (KVIV) and of the French Association des Techniciens et Professionnels du Pétrole (GEP-AFTP).

Les White, Les White Associates

Les is the principle partner of Les White Associates, established in 1998. Prior to this, Les worked for Exxon for some twenty years in a variety of roles. He has a long association with Concaawe including being seconded to the Secretariat as a Technical Coordinator from 1990 to 1996. During that time, as an advocate for “an environmental quality driven approach” to air related legislation, he played a central role on a number of key issues including: The IPPC Directive, Stage I Vapour Recovery Directive, the European Auto Oil Programme and the development of Annex VI to MARPOL. As Special Advisor to CONCAWE, Les continues to bring his extensive experience in assisting both Concaawe and its sister organisation Europia on current air quality related issues. These include the Commission’s current Air Quality Policy Review aimed at a new TSAP and the associated revisions of the NECD and AAQD. He is also extensively involved in the current Refinery BREF revision process.