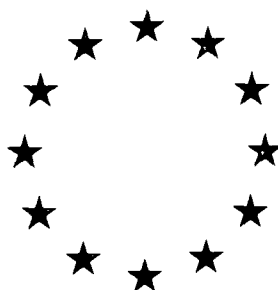


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Birmingham, 22 and 23 February 1993

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Sunday 21 February

18.30 **Civic Reception** - Hosted by Birmingham City Council at the City Museum and Art Gallery

Monday 22 February

8.45 Registration and Coffee

9.15 **Welcome Address - The Rt. Worshipful, the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, Cllr. Peter BARWELL MBE, HonCSM**

Keynote Addresses - The Issues for Europe

Chairman : Mr Claude BIRRAUX, French Deputy, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

9.30 The Political Perspective - Mr Ken COLLINS, MEP, President, European Parliament's Committee on Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection

9.50 The Industrial Perspective - Mr John WYBREW, Director of Public Affairs and Planning, Shell UK Ltd

10.10 The Problems of Enforcement - Ministerialdirigent ILLERT, Chairman of Länderarbeitsgemeinschaft Wasser, Germany

10.30 Coffee

Monitoring and Enforcement Systems

Chairman : Dr B D WATERS, National Rivers Authority, Severn-Trent Region, UK

10.50 A review of European Systems - Dr T. ZABEL, Water Research Centre, UK

11.15 An Integrated International System - Ing D. HOGERVORST, Executive Secretary, International Rhine Commission

11.40 A severe case : lessons learned from the River Po -
Prof. R. PASSINO, Secretary General of the Po Basin
Authority, Italy

12.05 Panel discussion

12.30 Lunch

Existing Technologies - The Pros and Cons

Chairman : Dr A. LYNNGGAARD-JENSON, Water Quality Institute of Denmark

14.00 Costs and benefits of chemical monitoring - Mr J.R. MARTIN, Severn-Trent Water Ltd, UK

14.25 Continous chemical monitoring : Mr J. JEFFERY, Compagnie Générale des Eaux, France

14.50 Biological monitoring - Mr H. A. HAWKES, Consultant Ecologist, UK and
Dr N. DE PAUW, University of Ghent, Belgium

15.15 Panel discussion

15.40 Tea/Coffee

Interpretation of Data

Chairman : Mr P. HODGES, Managing Director, ICI Watercare

16.00 Compliance with standards : the problems -
Mr J.C. ELLIS and Dr P.J. NEWMAN, Water Research Centre, UK

16.25 Review of European Classification Systems :
Mr T. CHAMBOLLE, Deputy General Director, Lyonnaise des Eaux-Dumez, France

16.50 Panel discussion

17.10 Close

19.30 **Dinner at the City of Birmingham Council House**
Hosted by Sir Richard Knowles, Leader of Birmingham City Council

Tuesday 23 February

New Technologies - Potential Applications

Chairman : Dr M. HILBURN, Chairman of Public Health and Environmental Protection Committee, Birmingham City Council

- 9.00 Artificial Intelligence - Mr W.J. WALLEY, Aston University, UK
- 9.25 Decision Support Systems - Prof. M. ABBOTT, IHE, Delft, Netherlands
- 9.50 New sensors - Prof. W. OLTHUIS, University of Twente, Netherlands
- 10.15 Panel discussion
- 10.45 Coffee

Pan-European Standards and Systems

Chairman : Mr John BELLAK, Chairman of Severn-Trent Water plc, UK

- 11.00 The Case For and Against - Ministerialrat GIWER, Ministry for the Environment, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany
- 11.25 Towards a Policy for Europe - Mrs Ilona GRAENITZ, Austrian Deputy and Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- 11.50 Panel discussion
- 12.15 Lunch

Formulation of Policy Recommendation to Council of Europe

Chairman : Dr M. RICHARDS, Director, South Staffordshire Water Holdings plc, UK

- 13.45 Working session with panel of experts
- 15.15 Close of Symposium

GENERAL INFORMATION

Objective of the Symposium

The objective of the Symposium is to formulate policy recommendations to the Council of Europe.

Languages

Simultaneous interpretation into French, German and English will be provided.

The Venue

Birmingham's International Convention Centre is Britain's first purpose-built conference facility and one of the world's most modern. It stands in the heart of the City, within easy reach of Birmingham International Airport and at the hub of Britain's road and rail networks.

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Fees

The registration fee of £200* covers the Civic Reception, all coffee/tea breaks, two lunches, the Symposium Dinner, a bound copy of the Proceedings and car parking or transport back to Birmingham International Airport/New Street Station. A registration form is enclosed.

* The Symposium is not registered for VAT.

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A limited number of tickets has been reserved for a concert on Tuesday evening at the new Symphony Hall. Details are given on the registration form. Alternatively, if you would be more interested in going to see a show at one of Birmingham's theatres, please indicate this on the registration form.

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