



Are you optimistic about our environmental future?

Reflections with the Partnership for European Environmental Research on future research challenges

23 January 2018

16:30-18:00

Room A5F385

European Parliament, Brussels

The event will be followed by a networking reception in the Brasserie

Hosted by:

Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP

Member of the European Parliament

AGENDA

The Partnership for European Environmental Research (PEER) is hosting a celebration event in Brussels to reflect – together with stakeholders - on past successes and look at future research challenges.

PEER is a partnership of eight of the largest European environmental research centres founded in 2001. The Partnership's joint strategy aims to promote collaboration in environmental sciences and enhance research on ecological sustainability. PEER member centres carry out basic and applied research combining different disciplines from natural and social sciences. Research covers all fields of the environment, particularly addressing the interaction between people and nature.

PEER has implemented a number of 'flagship projects' over the past 15 years centred on topics as diverse as climate change, water management, ecosystem services, biodiversity, land use, nitrogen pollution, and the green economy.

PEER members, stakeholders and policy-makers will gather in the European Parliament to highlight today's achievements, answer questions, as well as open the floor to discuss potential research needs of tomorrow to inform European policy and enhance innovation.



- 16:30-16:40 Welcoming by MEP Sirpa Pietikäinen
- 16:40-16:50 Introduction of PEER, Hanne Bach, PEER Chair, DCE-Danish Centre for Environment and Energy, Aarhus University (Denmark)
- 16:50-17:00 Jean-François Hulot, Head of Strategy Unit, DG RTD, European Commission
- 17:00 Presentations by PEER speakers:
- Eeva Furman on ecosystem services (SYKE, Finnish Environment Institute)
 - Hans Sanderson on climate change adaptation (DCE, Danish Centre for Environment and Energy, Aarhus University)
 - Georg Teutsch on water scarcity, droughts and heat waves (UFZ, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research)
 - Anne Tremier on environmental technologies (IRSTEA, French National Research Institute of Science and Technology for Environment and Agriculture)
- 17:30-17:55 Discussion with the audience moderated by Michael Strangholt, DCE
- 17:55-18:00 Concluding remarks by MEP Sirpa Pietikäinen and Hanne Bach
- 18:00-20:00 Networking reception in Brasserie JAN 3Q

In collaboration with PEER

