

Thursday, 9 June 2016, 13.10-14.50
Hilton Batumi Hotel, Room Armazi
A light lunch will be served



Programme

Since many sources of air pollutants and greenhouse gases are the same, improving air quality can deliver significant co-benefits for our health and climate. While approaches to harmonize air pollution, climate and health policies already exist in some countries, they need to be further promoted. Several regional and global programmes and cooperation mechanisms facilitate strategic partnerships that can support countries in the region in achieving cross-sectoral benefits. The side-event aims to provide ideas for and stimulate the Ministerial discussions that will follow. It will also contribute to the identification of a way forward.

Welcome and setting the scene

Environmental aspects of air pollution: *Christian Friis Bach*, Executive Secretary, UNECE
Health aspects of air pollution: *Zsuzsanna Jakab*, Regional Director for Europe, WHO

Roundtable discussion

Moderator: *Marco Keiner*, Director, Environment Division, UNECE

Panelists:

Hans Bruyninckx, Executive Director, European Environment Agency
Marc Chardonens, State Secretary for the Environment, Switzerland
Yvonne Ruwaida, State Secretary, Ministry of the Environment and Energy, Sweden (tbc)
Vladimir Ivlev, Deputy Director, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Russian Federation (tbc)
Maria Krautzberger, President, German Environment Agency
Olena Tuross, Air Quality Expert, European Eco-Forum
Jan Dusik, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP Regional Office for Europe

Questions and Answers

Conclusion and closure

