


NonHazCity Final Conference in Riga January 29-30, 2019

Agenda

The NonHazCity project, flagship of the Baltic Sea Region, is ending on 28 February 2019 after three years of successful implementation. We therefore want to gather representatives of municipalities, national authorities, international organisations, business stakeholders, researchers and civil society representatives to discuss the findings, learnings & conclusions of the project, hear about its highlights and evaluate its impacts on the emission of harmful substances from every day's uses into the urban environment and the Baltic Sea.

Tuesday, January 29, 2019 Venue: Riga City Council, Latvia	
11:30	<i>Coffee & Registration</i> 
12:00	<p>Opening of the event <i>N.N. Riga City Council</i></p> <p>Introduction to Agenda and Event <i>Heidrun Fammler, Moderator of the event, Deputy Project Manager, Baltic Environmental Forum</i></p> <p>Looking back to the beginning: the idea and motivation for the project – and how it was implemented: main results of NonHazCity <i>Arne Jamtrot, City of Stockholm, Project Manager</i></p>
12:30	<p>NonHazCity experiences: substances in use and their reduction potential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Findings from screening & source tracking of the target substances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Articles are important sources, especially when it comes to human exposure (Martyn Futter, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences) ➤ When it comes to the environment (Magda Caban, Gdansk University) ➤ Quantification of use reduction by removing objects from pre-schools (Anne Lagerkvist, City of Stockholm)
13:30	<p>Feedback Panel: Hazardous substance in urban environment – evidence of occurrence, potentials for reduction, what can the NonHazCity substance-related results contribute to future policy at regional and national level?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dmitry Frank-Kamenetsky HELCOM Secretariat ➤ Maxi Nachtigall (EU SBSR PA Hazard – Swedish EPA) ➤ N.N. Ministry of Environment, Latvia
14:00 – 15:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
15:00 - 15:45	<p>NonHazCity experiences: strategic thinking at municipalities: Chemicals Action Plans & more</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples of newly developed chemicals action plans by partner municipalities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ City of Riga: a big town (Larisa Abelite, Riga City Council) ➤ Kaunas district municipality: a surrounding area (Dovile Bartasiunaite, Kaunas district municipality) • Evaluation of the efficiency of the Stockholm chemicals action plan's first phase of implementation (Maria Azzopardi, City of Stockholm)

15:45 – 16:30	Feedback Panel: How to get Chemicals an issue at strategic level of municipalities' policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Rainer Aavik, Deputy Mayor, Pärnu municipality ➤ Otto Huter, Consultant, former Association of cities and towns, Germany ➤ Arne Jamtrot, City of Stockholm
16:30	<i>Coffee</i>
17:00 – 17:45	NonHazCity experiences: chemicals substitution measures at businesses – a hard cookie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Businesses – specific actors that can do a lot avoiding products containing the target substances in their operations and production processes: who is concerned? (Audrone Alijosiute, BEF Lithuania) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Hairdressers as specially concerned target group (Grazvydas Jegelevicius, BEF Lithuania) ➤ Recreational boating – a sector with direct impact to the water bodies (Susanna Grystad, Västerås) ➤ Car repair workshop – Hannamaria Yliruusi, Turku University of Applied Science)
17:45 – 18:30	Feedback Panel: Why is it so difficult? How can we better motivate business to act? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tonie Wickman, Swedish Centre for Substitution ➤ Juhan Ruut, Consultant, Hendrikson&Co, LIFE Fit for REACH project ➤ Oona Freudenthal, Luxemburg Institute for Science&Technology, LIFE AskREACH project
19:30	Reception

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

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9:00 – 10:00	NonHazCity highlights: Procurement as key to success in limiting uses of products containing harmful substances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tools and examples for chemical smart public procurement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The NonHazCity guidelines for chemical smart procurement, ▪ Turku's attempts to include HS on procurement agenda ▪ Examples for using market dialogue and ecolabel as a boost for GPP (Hannamaria Yliruusi, Turku University of Applied Science, Finland) ➤ Barriers for implementation: assessment of Hamburg's GPP guidelines and first implementation practices (Martin Krekeler, City of Hamburg, former BEF DE)
10:00 – 10:30	Feedback Panel: from "best price offer" to "Green Public procurement" – will it work? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Janine Bex, Green Party, Austria, member of board of environment, City of Innsbruck ➤ Maria Azzopardi, City of Stockholm – a long process even in Sweden, tbc ➤ Ugis Zanders, Strategy and Sustainable Development Division, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia – in charge of fostering GPP implementation in the country
10:30-10:50	NonHazCity highlights: visibility and replication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outreach of NonHazCity - our outputs and our channels (Matthias Graetz, BEF Germany) • Belarussian daughter project: how to create consumer awareness in Belarussian society (Alina Bushmovic, Ecopartnership, Belarus)
10:50 - 11:20	<i>Coffee</i>

11:20 - 12:20	<p>NonHazCity highlights: Campaigns addressing the inhabitants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target groups and campaigns in NonHaz-Cities (Kristine Senele, BEF Latvia) • Gdansk – a city on DETOX, unlimited creativity (Monika Piotrowska-Szypryt, Gdansk Water Utilities) • “Check your body” – Analysis of substances in the body of volunteers (Aleksandra Rutkowska, DetoxED, Gdansk) • “Check your household” – getting very close to the inhabitants, into their homes (Martin Krekeler, City of Hamburg)
12:20 - 13:20	<p>Feedback Panel: How can we reach behaviour change in consumption and use of products containing hazardous substance – can we interfere in people’s lifestyle?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Susanne Stoll-Kleemann, University Greifswald – researching behavior change ➤ Ulrike Kallee, Friends of the Earth Germany – ToxFox App manager ➤ Aleksandra Rutkowska, DetoxedED, medical researcher – concerned on human health ➤ Martin Krekeler, City of Hamburg – after many household visits.
13:20 - 13:50	<p>Conclusions of the conference Martyn Futter (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences) & Plenary</p>
14:00	<p><i>Lunch and departure</i></p>
	<p><i>NonHazCity – Partners meeting (partners only, 30-31.01.2019)</i></p>