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Conference on Environment and Health ***Indoor Pollution and Multi System Illnesses***

STRASBOURG
(Palais de l'Europe, Room 1)

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Programme



09.00 Registration of participants

09.20 – 09.40 OPENING SESSION

Welcome speech by **Mr Alan MEALE**, *Chairman of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)*

Introduction by **Mr Jean HUSS**, *Rapporteur of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs of the PACE*
"From awareness to prevention"

09.40 – 11.10 SESSION 1: INDOOR POLLUTION

Chair: **Mr Alan MEALE**, *Chairman of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs of the PACE*

Speakers: **Mr Ralph BADEN**, *Ministry of Health of Luxembourg*
Experiences and information from green ambulances in Luxembourg

Professor Frédéric de BLAY, *Responsible for the training programme on indoor pollution, University Hospitals of Strasbourg, France*
Experiences of medical advisors on indoor environment

Dr Gerd OBERFELD, *Sanitary Land Directorate for Environmental Medicine, Austria,*
Physical burden: EMF, other radiation, noise

Exchange of views

11.10 – 12.40 SESSION 2: ENVIRONMENTALLY CAUSED MULTI SYSTEMIC ILLNESSES

Chair: **Mr Paul FLYNN**, *Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Committee on health, Social, Health and Family Affairs Committee of the PACE*

Speakers: **Mrs Kathrin OTTE**, *Leader of the Association of victims of environment-related health problems (MCS Selbsthilfegruppe Umweltgeschädigter), Germany*

Mr André CIOLELLA, *Adviser to the Scientific Director, National Institute of Risks and Industrial Environment (INERIS), France*
Scientific paradigm change: health effects of chronic long-term, low dose toxic burdening

Dr Kurt E. MÜLLER, *Chairman of the European Academy for Environmental Medicine, Germany*
Multiple Chemical Sensitivity

Exchange of views

12.40 – 13.40 *Lunch break*

**13.40 – 15.30 SESSION 3:
ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION: EFFECTS ON ORGANISMS**

Chair: **Mr Paolo RONDELLI**, *Rapporteur of the Congress of Local and Regional Affairs on indoor pollution of buildings and living spaces*

Speakers: **Professor Charles SULTAN**, *Endocrinology and Pediatric Gynecology, Hormonology Development and Reproduction, Lapeyronie Hospital of Montpellier, France*
Endocrine System: fertility, paranatal disturbances

Dr S.c. Jean-Marc MICHELS, *Laboratory of the Clinic Ste Thérèse, Luxembourg*
Immune system dysfunction, allergy, pseudo allergy, autoimmunity

Professor Martin PALL, *Biochemical and Basic Medical Sciences, Washington State University, USA*
Central nervous system: parkinsonism, depression, vertigo, tinnitus explained by biochemical effects

Dr Eckart SCHNAKENBERG, *Institute for pharmacogenetic and genetic disposition, Germany*
Enzyme system: detoxification, genetical polymorphism

Exchange of views

15.30 – 15.45 *Coffee break*

CLOSING SESSION

15.45 **Dr Peter OHNSORGE**, *European Academy for Environmental Medicine e.V., Germany*
What strategy can we implement in Europe?

16.05 – 17.50 ROUND TABLE: Information and disinformation

With the participation of:

Dr Michal KRZYZANOWSKI, WHO Regional Office for Europe, European Centre for Environment and Health

Dr Christian FARRAR-HOCKLEY, Health & Environment Alliance

Mr Marco GOETZ, Journalist, Radio-Television-Luxembourg (RTL)

Ms Aida INFANTE, *Umweltrundschau*

Ms Sylvia KOTTING-UHL, Member of the Bundestag

Mr Jean HUSS, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs of the PACE

17.50 **Conclusions by Mr Jean HUSS**, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs of the PACE

18.00 Close of the conference

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