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**Call for CEEP participants in Commission workshop on Pharmaceuticals & Pesticide Legislation Consultation**

**Communication sent to members of the CEEP Water Task Force (15/12/2017):**

I would like to inform you about the three following points that might be of interest to you and I would like to invite you to send me your feedback:

**1. Call for CEEP participants in Commission workshop on water and pharmaceuticals in the environment**

In the context of its work on pharmaceuticals in the environment, the European Commission is currently holding a few meetings with different groups of stakeholders in order to provide an opportunity to discuss the possible areas of action and options. In particular, the Commission is planning to meet stakeholders connected with the water-treatment industry on 12 January 2018, from 2.30 to 5.00 pm, at DG Environment in Brussels.

CEEP has the possibility to send up to four representatives of its members to this meeting. We have to register our CEEP participants by 8 January 2018. Given this tight Commission deadline just after the holidays period, we need to coordinate our four CEEP places still before the Christmas break. Therefore, I would like to invite you to inform me about your interest in representing CEEP at the stakeholder meeting **by next Wednesday morning, 20 December 2017, 10.00 am at the latest.**

I would like to grasp the opportunity and recall that the [public consultation on pharmaceuticals in the environment](#) was launched by the European Commission in November. In addition to this public consultation, a [targeted stakeholder consultation](#) is equally available, using the following password: EnvPharmaStakeholder2017

The Commission deadline for the public consultation is set on 21 February 2018; the one for the targeted consultation is one month earlier, on 21 January 2018. Therefore, I would like to invite you once again to **send me your input for the CEEP responses to both consultations by Monday, 8 January 2018 CoB**. Based on the input received by then, we will draft our CEEP responses. Thank you in advance for your contributions by then. Communicated in November, this deadline becomes now even more important in order to coordinate best our CEEP input at the stakeholder event on 12 January 2018.

## **2. Draft CEEP Response to Commission consultation on EU Pesticide legislation**

I would like to forward you a [proposal for the CEEP response to the Commission consultation on the EU Pesticide legislation](#) that Dieter Staat (Vewin-UVW) has just sent to me. I would like to thank him very much for suggesting this CEEP contribution and I would like to invite you all to send me your concrete proposals for amendments **by next Wednesday morning, 20 December 2017, 10.00 am at the latest**. Thank you very much in advance. Should we not hear from you, we will consider this draft adopted and send it to the Commission. Please find hereafter more information on the [initiative's context](#).

## **3. Advisory Board meeting of Water Protect project**

On behalf of Michele Falcone, Chair of the Task Force, I would like to forward you information on last week's meeting of the Advisory Board of the Water Protect project in which Davide Scaglione represents CEEP.

Please find [here](#) the official meeting report as well as [here](#) and [here](#) the presentations and more information on the project. It includes an introduction by Claudia Muresan, Commission policy officer, about the [Task Force Water on the links between water and agriculture](#). There were also presentations by Arjen Frentz on behalf of EurEau with proposals for future measures to link water and agriculture as well as by the two "twin" European projects that were showcased: The Water Protect itself ("New solutions to protect our drinking water resources against nitrate and pesticide pollution") with [seven action labs](#) and a multiactor approach; The Fairway project with 22 partners and [13 case studies](#) about the same topic.

The first official meeting of the Water Protect project in 2018 will be next June in Denmark when the first results will be presented and stakeholders involved in the Advisory Board might be invited to do some presentations as well.

Should you have any questions or remarks on one of these three issues, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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## **CEEP Sustainability Board: Revision of Public Sector Information (PSI) Directive**

### **Communication sent to members of the CEEP Sustainability Board (15/12/2017):**

Thanking all those who have contributed to it, I would like to forward you hereafter the [final CEEP response to the Commission consultation on the Revision of the Public Sector Information \(PSI\) Directive](#).

I also would like to thank all members who suggested high-level representatives for the **Commission roundtable meeting on 23 January 2018**. The Commission is currently assessing all proposals and will send out official invitations next week.

Today, the Commission has published the information that a **public hearing on the PSI Directive will be held on Friday, 19 January 2018, in Brussels**. It will start at 9.30 and finish at 16.30. The aims of this public hearing are to inform the process of the evaluation of the implementation of the current Directive and to provide input as regards the objectives and possible options for its upcoming review. Should you be interested in participating, please find hereafter the [registration form that needs to be completed by 12 January 2018](#). Please

be aware that the Commission might close registrations earlier if the number of participants is higher than the capacity of the meeting room.

Moreover, we have **invited the Commission to join our next CEEP Sustainability Board meeting at the end of January** in order to give all interested CEEP members the opportunity to provide more in-depth feedback on the revision of the PSI Directive. We are currently discussing some dates (possibly 22, 23, 26 or 30 January 2018), but have not yet received a confirmation from the Commission. I will inform you about the final choice of the date as soon as we will get an update from the Commission, ideally at the beginning of next week. Should you have any questions or remarks, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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## CEEP News

Latest copies of CEEP Newsflash:

[CEEP Newsflash – 1 December 2017](#)

[CEEP Newsflash – 8 December 2017](#)

[CEEP Newsflash – 15 December 2017](#)

## Social Europe e-newsletters

Latest Social Europe e-newsletter attached:

[Social Europe Newsletter – 5 December 2017](#)

[Social Europe Newsletter – 12 December 2017](#)

## Eversheds Sutherland : E-briefings, Updates and Conferences

See below links to information received from our partners **Eversheds Sutherland**:

[Employees and Mental Health Briefings 2018](#)

[HR E-briefing – New data shows doubling in employment claims since fees abolished](#)

[HR E-briefing – The 12 Employment Cases of 2017](#)

[HR E-briefing Citizens' rights and Brexit significant agreement reached](#)

[Purposeful HR 2](#)

[TUPE updates 2018](#)

[UK HR e-briefing – New year, new employment law – read our employment agenda](#)

[UK labour law quarterly update – December](#)