



MANAGING HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS AND CRISES

Lessons from Europe and Asia

International Seminar organised by the
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Conseil Central de l'économie,
Room 6, 18/20 avenue d'Auderghem, Brussels
BELGIUM

Working Programme

9h00 – 9h30

Opening address

Dominique DAVID, Directeur Exécutif, Ifri, France

His Excellency SHEN, Lyushun, Taipei Representative Office in the EU and Belgium

9h30 – 11h00

FIRST SESSION

International cooperation and transborder water pollution

Speakers:

Marion MARMORAT, Senior Researcher, FAFO, Norway

After the Baia Mare accident, what water pollution management systems in Europe?

Akiko ONODERA, Researcher, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies, Japan

Managing water pollution in China: what role for regional cooperation and Japan?

Discussant:

Stephen STEC, Adjunct Professor at the Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy & researcher at the Center for Environment and Security, Central European University, Hungary

Chair:

Gianluca SPINACI, Forward studies unit, European Union Committee of the Regions, Belgium

11h00 – 11h15

Coffee break

11h15 – 12h45

SECOND SESSION

The Global Fight against Avian Influenza

Speakers:

Jih-Haw CHOU, Deputy Director-General, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health, Taiwan

Taiwan and avian influenza: successes and challenges

Aline LEBOEUF, Researcher, Ifri, France

From Avian Influenza to One World, One Health

Discussant:

Alain VANDERSMISSEN, Avian Influenza External Response Coordinator, European Commission, Belgium

Chair:

Bernard BROCHIER, Head of the virology division, Institute for Public Health, Belgium

14h30 – 16h00

THIRD SESSION

Protecting health through food safety

Speakers:

Lu-Hun, CHEN, Deputy Director, Food Industry Research & Development Institute, Taiwan

Understanding the tainted milk crisis in China: lessons for improved food safety

Frans VERSTRAETE, Chair of the Expert Comitee on Agricultural Contaminants, DG SANCO, Belgium

EU Reponses to the Chinese melamine-contaminated milk crisis

Discussant:

Herman DIRICKS, Director General of Policy Control, AFSCA (Belgian Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain), Belgium

Chair:

Jean RENAULT, Head of the agriculture and AFFSA unit, Federal Ministry of SMEs and agriculture

16h00 – 16h15

Coffee break

16h15 – 17h45

FOURTH SESSION

The Trust funds: a new tool for global governance?

Speakers:

Robert FILIPP, Head of Innovative Financing, External Relations & Partnerships, The Global Fund, Switzerland

The Global Fund, a model for other health crises?

Emma BROUGHTON, Junior Research Fellow, Ifri, France
Lessons from the GEF

Discussant:

Alain DEHOVE, Co-ordinator, World Animal Health and Welfare Fund, OIE, France

Chair:

Aline LEBOEUF, Researcher, Ifri, France

17h45

Concluding address

Damien VINCENT, Directeur Général, WWF Belgique, Belgium