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SEMINAR “WATER IN EU EXTERNAL ACTION INSTRUMENTS”

Hotel Bloom, Rue Royale 250, Brussels (metro: Botanique)

Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Moderator : Mr Jan Dröge, Schuman Associates (confirmed)

08.30 – 09.00	<i>Registration & Welcome Coffee</i>
Special Session 09.00 – 09.45	Guidelines on participation in EU External Assistance Programmes Ms Lene Topp, Schuman Associates (confirmed)
09.30 – 10.00	<i>Registration & Welcome Coffee</i>
Morning 10.00 – 10.15	Opening Key note speech: The role of water in EU External Action Programmes Mr Roberto Ridolfi, Director, DG DEVCO - C “Sustainable Growth and Development”, European Commission (confirmed)
10.15 – 10.55	The water sector in EU External Action Programmes: recent developments and opportunities for companies Mr Paolo Ciccarelli, Head of Unit, DG DEVCO - C5, “Water, Infrastructure and Cities”, European Commission (confirmed)
10.55 – 11.10	EU External Actions Practical Guide (PRAG) 2016: overview of most recent and upcoming changes Mr Laurent Sarazin, Head of Unit, DG DEVCO - R3, Legal Affairs (confirmed) Questions & Answers
11.10 – 11.30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11.30– 11.50	EIB’s role in third countries and financing activities in the water sector Mr Harald Schoelzel, Water and Waste Management Division, EIB (confirmed)
11.50– 12.10	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development’s (EBRD) areas of intervention in the water sector Mr Dr. David Tyler, sector specialist, Team MEI, EBRD (confirmed)
12.10 – 12.40	The role of National Development Agencies: cooperation opportunities for companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH: Mr Immanuel Gebhardt, Director of the Procurement and Contracting Division GIZ (confirmed) Agence Française de Développement (AFD): Ms Céline Gilquin, Water Division Manager (confirmed)
12.40 – 13.00	Company Panel discussion: “Experience in EU Funding from the field” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Jakob Zeidler, Head of Implementation Department, Hulla & Co Human Dynamics KG (AT) (confirmed) Mr Bernhard Hanauer, Directeur Développement Afrique, Sogea Satom (FR) Representative of Member Company, European International Contractors (EIC) (confirmed)
	Introduction of the afternoon stands, Questions & Answers and closing remarks by Moderator
13.00 – 14.30	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
Afternoon 14.30 – 17.30	- Bilateral meetings between participating companies - Info desks for individual questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIB: Information desk, Mr Harald Schoelzel EBRD: Information desk, Mr Dr. David Tyler GIZ: Information desk, Mr Immanuel Gebhardt AFD: Information desk, Ms Céline Gilquin and Ms Juliette Grundman EUROPEAID: Information desk on <i>procedural</i> issues (PRAG) DEVCO R3, Legal Affairs, Mr Nicolas Provençal

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