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An event organized by the EU-Umweltbüro in cooperation with ÖKOBÜRO – Allianz der Umweltbewegung and the AG Globale Verantwortung.

Venue

Haus der Europäischen Union
Wipplinger Straße 35, 1010 Vienna
Eventhall, ground floor

Registration

Please register until May 30, 2017 under <http://bit.ly/2qRK88i>, Participation is free.

Target Audience

The event is aimed at interested persons from the environmental sector, politics, business, NGOs, authorities and science and will be **in English language without translation.**

Arrival & Reachability

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INVITATION

**How we can achieve
the SDGs? – The way
to sustainability**

Ideas, challenges
and actions in
Europe and Austria

THURSDAY, 1ST JUNE 2017, 10.00 A.M. - 12.10 P.M.
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Content

While the average standard of living has increased over the past decades, poverty, increasing inequality and the ongoing destruction of our planet remain tremendous challenges – on national as well as on global level. It has become increasingly clear that our current path is not sustainable and that decisive transformational steps towards social, economic and environmental sustainability need to be taken.

With the adoption of the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** in September 2015, all 193 UN member states committed to implement the 17 Sustainable Development Goals by the year 2030. The goals of the new Agenda go far beyond development policy. They are following a universal and holistic approach, to shape globalisation in the interests of all people, to agree on a common global social contract and to guarantee future generations to live in an intact ecosystem.

Now it's up to us – and especially to the governments – to take responsibility and to implement the Sustainable Development Goals.

After a key note speech by the European SDG-expert **Ingeborg Niestroy** of what an integrated, holistic and universal approach could mean for the implementation in different countries and what chances and challenges may result, three representatives from different countries (Czech Republic, Finland, Austria) will outline their countries' approaches on how to implement the goals.

The event organised by the EU-Umweltbüro, AG Globale Verantwortung and the ÖKOBÜRO is a contribution to the **European Sustainable Development Week 2017**.

Programme

10.00 – 10.10 a.m.

Welcome

Georg Pfeifer

Head of the Information Office of the European Parliament in Austria

10.10 – 10.30

Keynote Speech

Ingeborg Niestroy

Research Associate
International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)
& SDG Watch Europe Steering Group

10.30 – 11.10

Short inputs

Czech Republic

Aneta Haimannová

Government Counsellor, Department of Sustainable Development,
Office of the Government of the Czech Republic

Finland

Jussi Kanner

Advocacy Coordinator of KEHYS
(Finnish NGDO Platform to the EU)

Austria

Sylvia Meier-Kajbic

Ambassador and Department head of Multilateral Development
Cooperation, Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and
Foreign Affairs

Norbert Feldhofer

Department head of Economy, Work, Energy, Federal Chancellery

11.10 – 12.10

Panel discussion and Q&A

12:10

Refreshments

Moderation

Sylvia Brenzel

Managing Partner und Head of the Plenum Akademy