

# Overview and Background of Attending the EEAC Annual Conference

**SDplanNet – Asia & Pacific**

***Sharing Tools in Planning for Sustainable Development***

# What is EEAC?



- ★ EEAC – European Environment and Sustainable Development Advisory Councils
- ★ Collaboration among councils set up by European governments in 1993 to provide independent and scientifically based advice on environment and sustainable development
- ★ Consists of > 30 councils from 16 EU countries

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## DISCUSS A PROPOSED “STATEMENT”

(a policy debate and joint  
recommendations developed by EEAC  
Working Groups)

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**EEAC**  
Network of  
European Environment and Sustainable Development  
Advisory Councils (EEAC)



**STATEMENT**

**SUSTAINING EUROPE FOR A  
LONG WAY AHEAD**

Making long-term sustainable development  
policies work

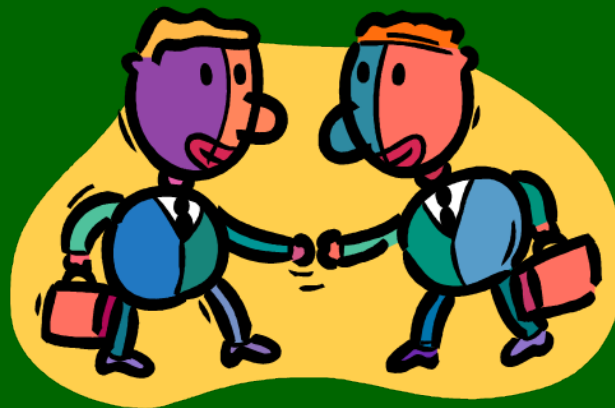
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<i>United Kingdom</i>	Sustainable Development Commission (SDC)

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- ☆ A forum for the EEAC members to exchange their ideas and share experience for further improvement of integrated planning in sustainable development
- ☆ Held in Bordeaux, France on 9-10 October 2008
- ☆ First occasion !!!! delegates from Asia-Pacific region were invited to participate in the conference



# Special session

*Sharing experiences between Europe and Asia-Pacific*

***“GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT  
IN ASIA-PACIFIC AND EUROPE”***



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### Asia-Pacific

- ★ Comparative view of SD strategies in Asia & the Pacific
- ★ Overview of SD Councils in Asia & the Pacific
- ★ Viet Nam-specific experience with sustainable development councils and strategies
- ★ Central Asia: Issues and perspectives for SD strategies implementation

### Europe

- ★ Approaches for SD strategies in EU member states
- ★ Types and capacities of SD councils in EU member states
- ★ The SD Commission's experience with involving stakeholders and interacting with government in UK
- ★ *The Netherlands' SD policies' peer review*

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## Sessions opened for non-EEAC members

- ★ Recent advice and activities of selected EEAC members (Ireland, Germany, Spain, Belgium)
- ★ Special session: *GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA-PACIFIC AND EUROPE*
- ★ Main conference: *STATEMENT*

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