



*LAUNCH OF SDG WATCH EUROPE

Thursday 13th October, 6:00pm-8.30pm

Representation of North Rhine-Westphalia to the EU

Rue Montoyer 47 Brussels

TIME	SESSION
18:00	Welcome, Refreshments & Networking The SDG Watch Europe video will be projected.
18:30 –18:45	Opening address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rainer Steffens, Director of the Representation of North Rhine-Westphalia to the EU
	Presentation of SDG Watch Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leida Rijnhout, Friends of the Earth Europe
18:45- 19: 10	Address by European Commission First Vice President Frans Timmermans followed by questions and answers
19:10	Moderated Panel Discussion on EU implementation of Agenda 2030 <i>Moderator:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deirdre de Burca Director of Advocacy, World Vision Brussels <i>Panellists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brenda King SDO President, European Economic and Social Committee Genevieve Pons-Deladriere, Director WWF EU Oli Henman- Action for Sustainable Development Global CSO Alliance Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler - Head of Unit for EU-affairs in the Austrian Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry, Environment and Water Management (TBC) Conny Reuter - Secretary General of SOLIDAR
19.50	Jo Leinen MEP The role of the European Parliament in monitoring the implementation of Agenda 2030

20.00	<p>Closing addresses from Directors of SDG Watch Member Organisations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeremy Wates – Secretary General European Environmental Bureau • Sascha Gabizon - Executive Director Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF) International • Ingo Ritz – Director of the Global Call to Action Against Poverty (GCAP) • Seamus Jefferson – Director of CONCORD platform of development NGOs
20:15-20:30	<p>Further refreshments & networking</p>

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