



**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME – CURRENT AND EMERGING THREATS**  
**ANNOTATED WORK PLAN**  
Rome, 29-30 October 2012

Venue: Food and Agriculture Organisation – FAO Headquarters  
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla  
00153 Rome, Italy

**Monday,**  
**29 October 2012**

**9.30 am      Opening and Welcome Remarks**

- Mrs. Elisabeth Verville, President of the Board of Trustees of UNICRI
- Mr. Masa Nagai, Acting Deputy Director, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Mrs. Paola Lucarelli, Deputy Head of Cabinet, Ministry for Environment of Italy
- Mr. Alessio Scarcella, Head, Office of International Cooperation, Ministry of Justice of Italy
- Mr. Jonathan Lucas, Director, UNICRI

10.30 **am**      *Coffee Break*

**10.45 am      Environmental crime – Current And Emerging Threats**

- *Introduction: Sustainable development and environmental crime: perspective from Rio+20* - Thomas Stelzer, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Co-ordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
- *Why is crime against the environment out of control* – Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, Former UN Under-Secretary General
- *Environmental governance and international environmental law review* – Mr. Masa Nagai, Acting Deputy Director, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- *Recent cases of environmental crime in Italy* - Mr. Stefano Dambroso, Deputy Head of Cabinet, Ministry for the Environment of Italy
- *Victims of environmental crime* – Prof. Rob White, University of Tasmania, Australia
- *Environmental Crimes and Violations of Human Rights* - Prof. Sergio Marchisio, University La Sapienza, Rome

**2.30 pm      Expert Group Roundtables**

- *Expert Group I: Environmental crime in the current international legal framework: the way forward*
- *Expert Group II: Environmental crimes: a growing business for organised crime and corruption*
- *Expert Group III: Illicit trafficking of waste: an international emergency*

**Tuesday,  
30 October 2012**

**9.00 am      Expert Group Roundtables - ctd.**

**10.30 am      *Coffee Break***

**11.30 am      **Presentation of the recommendations for inclusion in the action plan on environmental crime****

Conference Rapporteur: Prof. Rob White

**12.00 am      **Conclusions and closure of the International Conference****

## Notes on the Organization of the Expert Group Meetings

At the close of the meeting on 29 October, Rapporteurs and Moderators of the three Expert Groups, with the support of UNICRI, prepared a draft report on the discussion in the groups and highlighted the recommendations to be included in a plan of action (5.30 - 6.30 pm)

*The three Expert Groups meetings were held in parallel in three different rooms. Participating experts discussed the three specific topics and proposed recommendations to be included in the action plan on environmental crime. Expert Groups Roundtables were held from 2.30 to 5.00 pm on 29 October and continued in the morning of 30 October from 9.00 to 10.30 to finalise their report and recommendation presented to the plenary session.*

### *(3.1) Expert Group I: Environmental crime in the current international legal framework: the way forward*

Moderator: Mr. Masa Nagai, Acting Deputy Director, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, UNEP

Rapporteur: Mr. Masa Nagai, Acting Deputy Director, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, UNEP

Facilitators:

Ms. Angela Patrignani, Head of Emerging Crimes Unit, UNICRI

Ms. Marceil Yeater, Chief of the Legal Affairs and Trade Policy Unit for the Secretariat of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)

Mr. Bernard Marquet, Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

Mr. Mahesh Chander Mehta, Advocate, Supreme Court of India

Prof. Franco Silvano Toni di Cigoli, University of Padua

Ms. Louise Kulbicki, Eradicating Ecocide Lawyer and Advocate

*The Expert Group was invited to assess international legislation and its implementation concerning environment related crime. Participants discussed flaws in the current international legal framework in relation to environmental crime at the regional and international level, and developed specific recommendations to promote compliance with and enforcement of international and regional legal framework*

### *(3.2) Expert Group II: Environmental crimes: a growing business for organised crime and corruption*

Moderator: Mr. Davyth Stewart, Criminal Intelligence Officer, Team Leader, Project LEAF, INTERPOL

Rapporteur: Ms. Galyna Terzi, Project Officer, UNICRI

Facilitators:

Ms. Elena D'Angelo, Project Officer, UNICRI

Mr. Davyth Stewart, Criminal Intelligence Officer, Team Leader, Project LEAF, INTERPOL

Mr. Calum MacDonald, Director of Operations Scottish Environment Protection Agency

Mr. Edmund McGarrell, Director, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University

Ms. Eve de Coning, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo, Norway

Mr. Antonio Pergolizzi, Coordinator, Observatory Environment and Legality, Legambiente

Mr. Pedro David, Judge of the National Court of Criminal Cassation of Argentina  
Comm. Lando Desiati, Forestry Police of Italy

*The Expert Group was invited to consider the role of organised crime and corruption in different environmental crimes. Participants discussed case studies from different countries or regions to identify trends, patterns and modalities of intervention and prepared specific recommendations on how to improve investigations and prevention, and better exchange information across borders.*

(3.3) *Expert Group III: Illicit trafficking of waste: an international emergency*  
[Simultaneous Interpretation English and Italian]

Moderator: Mr. Stefano Dambroso, Deputy Head of Cabinet, Ministry for the Environment of Italy

Rapporteur: Mr. Ari-Matti Nuutila, Dr. of Law, Senior Legal Consultant, Government Offices in Sweden

Facilitators:

Ms. Vittoria Luda di Cortemiglia, Programme Coordinator, UNICRI

Mr. Roberto Pennisi, Prosecutor, National Antimafia Bureau of Italy

Mr. David Newman, President, International Solid Waste Association-ISWA

Mr. Enrico Fontana, Responsible for the Observatory Environment and Legality, Legambiente

Mr. Enrico Bobbio, President, Consorzio PolieCO

Ms. Claudia Salvestrini, Secretary General, European Eco- Trust

Mr. Ari-Matti Nuutila, Dr. of Law, Senior Legal Consultant, Government Offices in Sweden

*The Expert Group discussed the issue of illicit trafficking in waste (including toxic waste, e-waste, plastic etc.) as an emerging international threat, the increasing role of organised crime groups, its links with other serious crimes, such as counterfeiting, corruption, money laundering, and the role played by the different actors into this crime. Participants presented data and case studies to develop specific recommendations on how to improve data collection and analysis, and exchange of information, and on how to improve international investigations in this field.*

The Rapporteurs of the three Expert Group meetings presented the recommendations from their groups to the plenary for inclusion in a Plan of Action. The Rapporteur of the Conference presented the Action Plan to the plenary.