







Effective natural resource management for inclusive and sustainable growth in the context of increased scarcity and climate change: What roles for the public and private sectors?

ERD 2012 Consultation Governance of Natural Resources with a focus on Water and Energy Bonn, 8-9 June 2011

Preliminary Programme

Context and purpose of this Consultation

The 2012 European Report on Development (ERD), the third such report to be published by the EU, will focus on how natural resource management can promote sustainable and inclusive growth. Within this overall theme the report will start from a contextual analysis of increasing scarcity and the effects of climate change, and will explore the actual and possible roles of public and private actors (both for-profit and non-profit) as they engage in the management of water, energy and land in order to promote inclusive and sustainable growth. The ERD outline argues that increased scarcity has highlighted the existence of a water-energy-land (WEL) nexus, which suggests that appropriate natural resource management needs to be integrated and take into account the interdependencies amongst resources.

The report will have the following structure: Chapters 2 and 3 will set out the new context for natural resource management (scarcity, climate change) and chapter 4 will outline the analytical framework. Chapters 5, 6 and 7 will provide specific case-study analysis on land, water and energy issues related to the nexus. Chapters 8 and 9 will in turn look at the contributions that the private sector (in its broadest sense) and the public sector (at different levels) make to the governance and management of land, water and energy. Finally, Chapter 10 will look at roles for the EU to play in the context of the report.

The ERD 2012 has already been discussed in a series of consultation meetings in London, Brussels and Maastricht earlier this year. The next meeting will be held on 8 and 9 June 2011 in Bonn, Germany. The main purpose of this consultation event in Bonn is to **inform the analysis and writing process of the report, particularly chapters 6 (Water) and 7 (Energy)**. Various academic authors are being commissioned to write background papers for the ERD and a number of these will be invited to come and present their ideas to the consultation.

The consultation is open to the general public, but registration is required. To register, or for more information, please contact Ms. Melanie Nohroudi (Melanie.Nohroudi@die-gdi.de).

ERD 2012 Consultation

Wednesday 8 – Thursday 9 June 2011 DIE, Bonn

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Day 1 – Wednesday 8 June 2011

13:00	Registration
13:30 – 14:30	Introduction. Status of the ERD 2012: what have we learned from previous consultations?
14:30 – 16:00	Session 2: Water (1): Managing scarce water resources for inclusive and sustainable growth: an introduction to water allocation issues
Key questions: What are possible allocation mechanisms for water and what impacts do they have on inclusive and sustainable growth? What are the challenges in allocating water between its multiple uses and users?	
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 18:00	Session 3: Water (2) – Analysis of key issues on water for the ERD
Key Questions: What are lessons learned in different countries in terms of allocating water with regard to inclusive and sustainable growth? What are implications for the WEL nexus?	
	
18:00 – 20:00	Evening programme: Buffet dinner at DIE premises

9:00 – 10:30 Session 4: Energy (1) – Changing incentives for transitions to low-carbon development through promoting energy efficiency

Key questions: What incentives and institutional frameworks are needed for promoting energy efficiency? How can public and private actors co-ordinate to enable a transition towards energy efficiency and a low-carbon path which also promotes inclusive and sustainable growth?

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 13:00 Session 5: Energy (2) – Changing incentives for transitions to low-carbon development through investing in renewable energy

Key Questions: What policy frameworks for renewable energy do governments need to implement in order to encourage a transition towards a decarbonized economy that contributes to inclusive and sustainable growth? What are the financing bottlenecks for renewables and how can they be overcome? How do appropriate governance arrangements and public/ private relationships for renewable energy need to be adapted in the context of the WEL nexus (e.g. managing investment in hydropower or biofuels / biomass which depends on energy as well as land and water policies)?

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Conclusion and next steps
