



Transparency in Global Environmental Governance

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Authors' Workshop

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COST ACTION IS0802 Transformation of Global Environmental Governance

Working Group III on Governance Architectures and Processes

Programme

WEDNESDAY, 22 APRIL 2009

Participants arrive

Informal dinner – details to follow

THURSDAY, 23 APRIL 2009

8:45–9:15 Registration and coffee

9:15–10:00 **Introductory Session**

Chair: Aarti Gupta

- Round of introductions
- Rationale for special issue

10:00–12:00 **Session I**

Chair: Michael Mason

Virginia Haufler: *Disclosure under duress? Transparency and the extractive industries*

Discussant: Frank Biermann

Klaus Dingwerth and Margot Eichinger: *Scrutinizing corporate transparency: the Global Reporting Initiative*

Discussant: Kris van Koppen

12:00–13:30 Lunch

13:30–15:30 **Session II**

Chair: Frank Biermann

Lars Gulbrandsen and Graeme Auld: *The lure of transparency: ecolabeling for forests and fisheries*

Discussant: Kristine Kern

Aarti Gupta: *Prior informed consent as governance-by-disclosure: transparency as a tool of global biosafety governance*

Discussant: Arthur Mol

15:30–15:45 Coffee

15:45–17:45 **Session III**

Chair: Virginia Haufler

Michael Mason: *Information disclosure and environmental rights: the Aarhus convention*

Discussant: Jan van Tatenhove

Arthur Mol: *Whither Transparency? Reflections on the contributions*

18:30–20:30 Dinner, Hotel de Wageningse Berg

FRIDAY, 24 APRIL 2009

8:45– 9:15 Coffee

9:15– 11:15 **Session IV**

Chair: Klaus Dingwerth

- Emerging red threads for special issue introduction (Aarti Gupta)
- Emerging red threads: open discussion (each author to reflect on synergies, linkages, alternative views vis-à-vis other contributions)

11:15–11:30 Coffee

11:30–12:30 **Session V:** Next steps and logistics

Chair: Aarti Gupta

- Deadlines
- Reviewer suggestions
- Other matters (ISA 2010 workshop proposal on transparency in GEG, edited book)

12:30–13:30 Lunch

END OF AUTHORS' WORKSHOP

14:00–16:00 **COST ACTION IS0802, Working Group III Meeting**

Agenda to be circulated separately

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