



THE IRON CURTAIN PROJECT

5th Framework Programme "Quality of Life and Management of Living Resources"

EC-Project Contract No. QLK-CT-2001-01401

Final Iron Curtain International Symposium Registration Form

Please fax registration to: +43 3842 402 4902 not later than October 4th 2004; Attn.: Mrs. Carina Benedikt / OEKOSYS

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I will register for

Activity	Date	Number of Persons
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Curtain Partners closing Plenum and Board Meeting	03/11/04	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Curtain Welcome Reception	03/11/04	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Curtain International Symposium	04/11/04	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Curtain FAREWELL Dinner	04/11/04	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Curtain Field Trip	05/11/04	

Date

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Final Iron Curtain International Symposium

„Decision support for sustainable rural development in areas along the former Iron Curtain“

**Vienna
November 3rd to 5th of 2004**

Chaired by



**Univ.Prof. Dr. J. Wolfbauer - Iron Curtain Co-ordinator
University of Leoben, Austria**

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Motivation

The Iron Curtain Symposium and Poster Session "**Decision support for sustainable rural development in areas along the former Iron Curtain**" provides comprehensive information about the results and research achievements of the EC-Project "**Innovative models of critical key indicators as planning and decision support for sustainable rural development and integrated cross border regional management in former Iron Curtain areas based on North to South European reference studies**" (Iron Curtain). It offers the chance to any interested party especially from the partner countries involved as well as to any other relevant institution and experts to learn more about a 3 years project experience in relevant cross border cooperation and rural development planning.

The RTD-project "**Iron Curtain**" has been performed within the EU-5th Framework Programme "**Quality of Life and Management of Living Resources**", Key Action 5 "**New tools and models for integrated and sustainable development of rural and other relevant areas**". The project is focused on a multi-sectoral integrated methodology for decision making in sustainable rural development enhancing territorial competitiveness. It is based on the development of an innovative toolset incorporating Geographical Information Systems (GIS), system dynamics and indicator modeling integrating rural areas natural capital and sectors like agriculture, energy, fisheries, forestry, industry, small business, tourism and transport. Six trans-national areas along the former Iron Curtain provide practical test applications. The areas are situated at the Norway/Russian border, the former Germany/East Germany border, between Germany/Austria and Czech Republic, Austria to Hungary and Greece to Bulgaria. The consortium constitutes a complementary team with 8 partners from the actually enlarged EU and one from a candidate country. The three years work has resulted in a prototype of an integrated methodology and tool system, six reference studies with identification and formulation of local development strategies and an indicator system reference model.

Place of Venue

Iron Curtain Meetings, International Symposium and Poster Session

Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management

Stubenring 1 (Meeting Room Saal II), 1012 Vienna, Austria

For more information contact local organizer OEKOSYS

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Hotel information and reservations

Special arrangements for symposium participants have been made with

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Hollandstrasse 3

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For reservation of rooms please contact the hotel directly by using the code "Iron Curtain" to receive special offer prices with € 92,00 for single room and € 112,00 for double occupancy not later than October 4th 2004. Information about cancellation policy and required deposit will be provided directly by the hotel.



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Symposium Programme

Wednesday, November 3rd 2004

09:00 **Iron Curtain Partners Closing Plenum and Board Meeting**
- Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture-Meeting-Room Saal II -
(disclosed to public, only for Iron Curtain Project Consortium)

19:30 **Iron Curtain Welcome Reception ***

Thursday, November 4th 2004

09:00 **IRON CURTAIN International Symposium, Poster Session and Press Conference**
- Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture – Meeting Room Saal II -
(attendance free of charge for all participants)

Welcome Address

Sectionschef DIDDr. Reinhard Mang, Head Section II – Sustainability and Rural Development, Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management

Introduction

Iron Curtain Co-ordinator Univ.Prof.Dr. J. Wolfbauer / OEKOSYS

Partner Presentations

- The "Iron Curtain Approach": methodological settings and facets of results (DGGS/UNIJENA/GEO)
- The Reference Areas Norway/Russia (ICG) and Germany/Germany (UNIJENA)
- The Agricultural Policy of the EU in the context of former Iron Curtain regions (BAWI)
- The Reference Areas Czech Republic/Germany (GEO) and Austria/Czech Republic (DGGS)
- Decision Support Tools in the process of sustainable and competitive rural development (OEKOSYS)
- The Reference Areas Austria/Hungary (UNIMIS) and Bulgaria/Greece (AUTH, BAS)
- Summary of results and open discussion, moderated by OEKOSYS

19:30 **Iron Curtain Farewell Dinner ***

Friday, November 5th 2004

09:00 **Iron Curtain Field Trip** to the Austrian/Hungarian Iron Curtain Reference Area "Kékfrankos" *

* (Direct costs incurred to be paid separately by each partner/participant)