Clean Ganga Europe Desk Conference 2018
27 September 2018 – Blue Point Centre, Brussels

Clean Ganga Europe Desk Conference 2018 offers the chance to connect with Indian and European stakeholders and actors with a common vision to tackle water issues in India. It is organised within the cooperation framework of the India-EU Water Partnership, the EU Delegation to India, VITO, and the European Technology Platform on Water Supply & Sanitation (WssTP), with the support of the Indian Embassy for Europe, Luxembourg and Belgium, and the Belgium India Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BICCI). The event offers the unique chance for interested European institutions and companies to learn about upcoming opportunities for partnering with India on water related challenges, in particular regarding the cleaning of the Ganga River. Targeted contributions and discussions will link Indian and European stakeholders towards joint, future actions in Indian water resources management as well as Ganga Rejuvenation. Participants include the European Commission, Indian representatives and policy makers, investors and financial experts, scientists, water companies and SMEs. The Clean Ganga Europe Desk Conference 2018 is a one-day event with three sessions:

- EU-India Water Dialogue: policy perspectives and opportunities
- Investment initiatives and inspiring testimonial projects
- Opportunities and matchmaking - Water Market India (including the opportunity for participants to show case pilot demonstration ideas using posters)

To register to the Conference please go to the following link:
https://form.jotform.com/wsstp/clean-ganga-conference-2018

Programme

9.00 to 10.00 Registration and Coffee

Session One: EU-India Water Dialogue: policy perspectives and opportunities

10.00 to 10.05 Welcome – Mr. Durk Krol (WssTP)

10.10 to 10.20 Introduction – Baron Philippe Vlerick (BICCI)

10.20 to 10.40 Overview of EU India Cooperation and the India-EU Water Partnership – Mr. Daniel Calleja (Director General DG Environment tbc)

10.40 to 11:00 National Mission Clean Ganga – Mr. Rajiv Ranjan Mishra Director General – National Mission Clean Ganga (NMCG tbc)

11:00 to 11:20 Centre of Ganga River Basin Management and Studies (CGANGA) – Prof. Vinod Tare (IIT Kanpur)

11.20 to 11:30 The importance of Clean Ganga for India – HE Ambassador Mrs. Kumar (Indian Ambassador to the European Union)

Questions and Answers with the Audience (45 mins) – Moderator Mr. Durk Krol (WssTP)

Lunch 12.15 to 13.00

Session Two: Investment initiatives and inspiring testimonial projects

What are the financial instruments for projects and investments? How can new concepts and solutions be demonstrated and evaluated? "*Money is not an issue….*"

13.00 to 14.30 Panel and audience discussion

Moderator - Mr. Durk Krol (WssTP)
IEWP – Mrs. Birgit Vogel (IEWP Project Manager/GIZ)
GIZ project testimonial – Mrs. Martina Burkard (Head of Programme GIZ tbc)
Project testimonial – investor (tbc)
European Investment Bank – (tbc)
World Bank – (tbc)
European Bank active in India – PNB Paribas Fortis (tbc)
NMCG Financial Director (tbc)

Session Three: Opportunities and matchmaking - Water Market India

14:30 to 14:45 IEWP - its nine priority areas and the linkage to CGanga

14.45 to 16.30 Bilateral exchange "EU meets India" - session for participants to meet presenters and panel members bilaterally

(Participants have the opportunity to show case pilot demonstration ideas using posters)

Panel: Round–up and conclusions

16.30 to 16.45 Conclusions – Mr. Dirk Fransaer (VITO), Martina Burkard/Birgit Vogel (IEWP/GIZ) and Prof. Vinod Taré (IIT D)

16.45 to 17.00 Clean Ganga Europe Desk – Next Steps – Mr. Dirk Van der Stede (Vlakwa)

Networking Cocktail 17.00 to 18.00