

LEARNING CENTRE @ CSD-15

Conference Room B

**Friday, 4 May 2007
3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

Strategic Environmental Assessment in development cooperation: A practice-orientated training for policy-makers, administration officials, consultants and NGO representatives

Sponsor: GTZ, UNDP

Course Instructors: Alfred Eberhardt, consultant on SEA and EIA

Synopsis:

Approaches to Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) offer a promising methodology to promote and to improve planning processes in general and the integration of environmental aspects into policies, plans and programmes in particular. This course is based on both practical perennial experiences with impact assessment tools in development co-operation and the “Good Practice Guidance on Applying SEA in Development Co-operation”, the official guidance of the OECD Development Assistance Committee.

The training is practice-oriented and uses an innovative, interactive and effective teaching methodology.

The training will reinforce and develop capacities of the participants from countries in which there is a high demand for the instrument SEA due to legal requirements, international obligations and interest in improved decision-making.