

Noise Research Strategies for a Quieter Europe



Invitation

CALM Conference - Brussels - 19th October 2004

Noise is one of the environmental pressures that is closest to the citizens. In public surveys, problems with noise are rated at the highest level together with global warming. Research is a key element in reducing the effects of noise levels which are too high. This research shall include work on how noise affects people wherever they are, be it at school, at home or at recreational sites. The research shall also deal with the reduction of noise emitted by individual noise sources, especially noise from traffic.

The CALM network* (www.calm-network.com) has established a strategic plan for future research on reducing environmental noise in Europe. This plan shall create a solid basis for initiating research to reduce the adverse effects of noise.

The conference aims at presenting the strategic noise research plan of CALM to the general public and at increasing the awareness of environmental noise and related research. Thus, the conference is provided for all persons who are concerned with environmental noise in any kind: political decision makers, local authorities, researchers and engineers from university and industry, public traffic operators and all other stakeholders.

The programme of the one-day conference comprises two sessions in the morning and three sessions in the afternoon. In short presentations, the CALM members and chair persons of the EC noise working groups as well as representatives of the European research advisory councils and experts of national research networks provide an overview of current and future noise research in Europe. The opening address and closing remarks are given by representatives of the European Commission.

There is no conference fee, but registration is required. Please use the attached registration form or send your registration via www.calm-network.com.

Conference proceedings are not provided, but the presentations will be available on www.calm-network.com. At the conference, the updated strategy paper 2004 of the CALM network is available.

* The CALM network is a result of a close collaboration between the part of the European Commission which is responsible for developing the new European noise policy, DG Environment, and DG Research. CALM is funded by the European Commission as a thematic network within the 5th Framework Programme.

Registration Form

for CALM Conference "Noise Research Strategies for a Quieter Europe" in Brussels on 19th Oct. 2004, **please fill in:**

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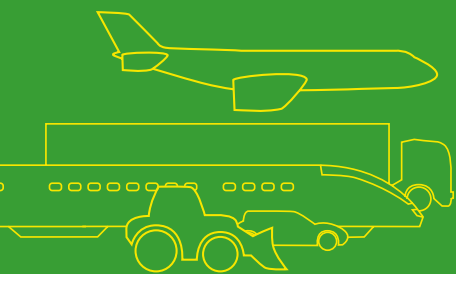
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Venue: Management Centre Europe (MCE)
Rue de l' Aqueduc 118, B-1050 Brussels (Belgium)

Date: 19th Oct. 2004



Conference Programme

9:00 Registration and Coffee (Poster Presentations)

10:00 **Opening Session:**

Welcome (Josef Affenzeller, CALM, AVL List, Austria)

Opening address (Per Kruppa, EC - DG Research)

Introduction to CALM
(Alfred Rust, CALM, AVL List, Austria)

10:35 **Hot Topics of Environmental Noise:**

Health and Socio-Economic Aspects
(Martin van den Berg, WG "HSEA", Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment, Netherlands)

Assessment of Exposure to Noise
(John Hinton, WG "AEN", Birmingham City Council, UK)

Railway
(Michael Jaecker-Cueppers, WG "Rail Transport", Federal Environmental Agency, Germany)

Road Transport
(Heinz Steven, WG "Road Transport", RWTUEV Fahrzeug, Germany)

Outdoor Equipment
(Giorgio Billi, WG "Outdoor Equipment", Unacoma, Italy)

Discussion

12:00 Lunch Break

13:30 CALM - Noise Research Strategy Plan
(Alfred Rust, CALM, AVL List, Austria)

Discussion

14:00 **Plans of European Research Advisory Councils:**

ACARE - Advisory Council for Aeronautics Research in Europe (Dominique Collin, Snecma, Aerospace Propulsion & Equipment Group, France)

ERTRAC - European Road Transport Research Advisory Council
(Josef Affenzeller, AVL List, Austria)

ACMARE - Advisory Council for Maritime Research (Michael vom Baur, CESA/COREDES, Aker Yards ASA, Norway)

ERRAC - European Rail Research Advisory Council (Pierre-Etienne Gautier, SNCF, France)

Discussion

15:10 Coffee Break (Poster Presentations)

15:35 **National Contributions to the European Research Area:**

Quiet Traffic
(Dietmar Wurzel, German Aerospace Center, Germany)

IPG - Noise Innovation Programme
(Erik Vos, Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management, Netherlands; Jan Willem Lammers, ProRail Environmental Policies, Coordinator IPG Rail, Netherlands)

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(Sylvie Niessen, PREDIT Permanent Secretary, France)

Discussion

16:30 Closure
(Patrick Mercier-Handisyde, Per Kruppa, EC - DG Research, Josef Affenzeller, CALM, AVL List, Austria)

16:45 End of Conference

Abbreviations:
EC - DG ... European Commission - Directorate General
WG Working Group