

## **Celebrating 45 years of the UNEP/UNESCO/BMUV-postgraduate training program**

In 1977, a course program focusing on ecosystem management for experts and leaders from developing countries and emerging economies was established at TU Dresden as a German contribution to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). The program contributes to individual and institutional capacity building, and has been continuously innovated based on new knowledge and needs. Today, the overarching goal is to accelerate the transformation process towards sustainable development in line with the 2030 Agenda, the Paris Climate Agreement and a true global partnership.

In 45 years, without interruption, 2575 environmental management and technical professionals from important institutions in politics, administration, science, economy, or civil society of 144 countries have completed their advanced training in the UNEP/UNESCO/BMUV International Postgraduate Courses in Environmental Management for Developing Countries.

We come together to celebrate past achievements, to which so many participants, facilitators, and supporters have contributed, and gather momentum for the challenges ahead in the spirit of the Decade of Actions to deliver the Sustainable Development Goals.

### **Time, place & circle of guests**

14 June 2022, 10:30 – 12:30 a.m. CEST,  
followed by an opportunity for informal exchange with a fortifying snack

Festive hall of TU Dresden (Dülfersaal), Dülfersstraße 2, 01069 Dresden |  
*The event will be streamed live on CIPSEM's Youtube channel:*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZ6PwVPuJf0>

We are looking forward to celebrate with the Rectorate of TU Dresden, the executive level of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection and the Federal Environmental Agency; current and former course participants and lecturers as well as partner institutions and supporters of the course program.

### **Agenda (draft)**

10:30 Musical prelude (Astor Piazzolla: Histoire du Tango: Bordel 1900)  
*Elke Jahn, guitar; Olaf Georgi, flute*

- 10:35 Welcome by Prof. Dr. Uta Berger and Dr. Anna Görner (*CIPSEM*)
- 10:40 Greeting by Prof. Dr. Ronald Tetzlaff (*Chief Officer Technology Transfer and Internationalisation, TU Dresden Executive Board*)
- 10:50 Greeting by Dr. Bettina Hoffmann (*Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection*) (video message)
- 11:00 Musical interlude (Gabriel Fauré: Pièce)  
*Elke Jahn, guitar; Olaf Georgi, flute*
- 11:05 Video message by Prof. Dr. Rattan Lal,  
*“Distinguished University Professor of Soil Science” and Director of the “Carbon Management and Sequestration Center” at The Ohio State University, USA | Recipient of the World Food Prize in 2020.*
- 11:10 How does the training program support its participants in contributing to a more sustainable development? Insights into the work, yesterday and today  
*Prof. Dr. Uta Berger, Dr. Anna Görner (CIPSEM)*
- 11:20 Contribution of an alumna of the course program  
*Ms. Subha Niranjana (alumna of the course program, 2021 | Community affairs officer and sustainability projects of the Electronic City Industrial Township Association (ELCITA), Bangalore, India)*
- 11:30 Musical interlude (Astor Piazzolla: Histoire du Tango: Café 1930)  
*Elke Jahn, guitar; Olaf Georgi, flute*
- 11:35 The UNEP/UNESCO/BMUV training program and the spirit of multilateral cooperation  
*Mr. Stephan Contius (Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda, Head of Division United Nations, Developing Countries and Emerging Economies, Environmental Aspects of International Climate and Energy Policy, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection)*
- 11:45 Panel discussion: How do we empower decision-makers through education to implement the sustainability transformation?
- *Mr. Stephan Contius (Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda, Head of Division United Nations, Developing Countries and Emerging Economies, Environmental Aspects of International Climate and Energy Policy, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection, requested)*
  - *Hasmik Barseghyan (Alumna of the course program, 2019, Armenia, President at the European Youth Parliament for Water (EYPW) | Future Energy Leader at World Energy Council)*
  - *Martin Bartels Awortwe (participant of the current 45<sup>th</sup> UNEP/UNESCO/BMUV International Postgraduate Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries | Department of Agriculture, Western Region, Ghana)*
  - *Hadika Jamshaid, (participant of the current 45<sup>th</sup> UNEP/UNESCO/BMUV International Postgraduate Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries | Policy Specialist, Ministry of Climate Change, Pakistan)*

- *Mr. Ralph Wollmann (German Environment Agency, Section International Sustainability Strategies, Policy and Knowledge Transfer | Project group International Academy Transformations for Environment and Sustainability)*
- *CIPSEM-Team represented by Dr. André Lindner*

Moderation by Lutz Thies (Member of the TU Environmental Initiative and student representative in the senate of the TU Dresden)

*Submission and voting for questions by the audience <https://www.menti.com/q375pf4f1b>*

12:25 Outlook, group photo and transition to the informal continuation of the discussion with fortifying snacks