

## Useful information

### Registration

If you wish to attend the conference please register via our website [www.agwaplan.dk](http://www.agwaplan.dk)

### Venue

The conference will be held at Herning Congress Centre ([www.kongrescenter.dk/UK](http://www.kongrescenter.dk/UK)). Herning is located in Jutland in the central part of Denmark.

The conference will be organised parallel to the annual Danish national conference the Danish Crop Production Seminar ([www.plantekongres.dk](http://www.plantekongres.dk))

### Accommodation

Accommodations can be found at [www.visitherning.com/uk](http://www.visitherning.com/uk)

### Congress fee

135 € including congress dinner on Wednesday evening.

### Contact

For further information on the project and conference content, please contact the AGWAPLAN coordinator Irene A. Wiborg

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The EU LIFE-Environment Project AGWAPLAN invites to a European conference on

# IMPROVED WATER QUALITY THROUGH GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES

**14 – 15 January 2009 Herning, Denmark**



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## Implementing the WFD – an EU-LIFE project

The overall objective for AGWAPLAN is to facilitate the implementation of the Water Frame Directive (WFD) and reduce the contribution of N and P from farming to the aquatic environment while at the same time allowing room for farming.

In order to mediate and discuss the result of the project a final conference will be held from 14 – 15 January 2009 in Herning, Denmark.

### Conference theme

*The themes for the conference will be:*

- Estimation of good environmental status in line with the WFD
- Prediction models for nitrate leaching; phosphorus index
- Good agricultural practice, examples and impacts
- How to combine environmental and farm data for sustainable production
- From source to recipient – processes affecting N and P levels
- Collaboration between environmental authorities, research and farming - an integrated approach
- Sociological studies related to implementation of environmental legislation

### Participants

*The conference participants will include:*

- Colleagues from other projects in the EU working on the above subjects
- Politicians in Europe with an interest in improved integration of agriculture and the environment
- European researchers with interest and/or expertise in the above subjects
- Environmental authorities in Europe
- Agricultural advisors in Europe
- Stakeholders and other interested parties

### Networking

Related projects with an interest in collaboration are welcome to contact us for provision of inputs, co-organisation, discussions on the above subjects, etc.

### Further information

For further information on AGWAPLAN including the conference programme please visit [www.agwaplan.dk](http://www.agwaplan.dk)

## Preliminary programme

### Wednesday 14 January

- 11.45 Registration
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Opening of conference  
Opening of the conference and introduction to AGWAPLAN, including a short presentation of the pilot areas and environmental goals set up for the areas according to the fulfilment of the Water Frame Directive and to a continued sustainable agriculture in the areas.
- 14.30 The concept for Integrated Advice  
Presentation of items discussed during the integrated advice process. In addition, short presentations of the technical background information needed for the Integrated Advice are given.
- 19.00 Conference dinner

### Thursday 15 January 2008

- 8.30 The Watershed Concept  
Presentation of the Catchment Concept i.e. how to disseminate the outcome from the integrated advice meetings to the entire catchment of a particular water course or lake.
- 9.30 Barriers for implementing the Water Frame Directive (WDF)  
A sociological study of the barriers for an integrated advisory system based on cooperation between environmental authorities, agricultural advisory services and the involved farmers.
- 10.45 Presentations from similar projects  
Presentation of other projects with similar contents and aims i.e. WAGRICO. If you are interested in attending please see contact details below.
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.00 The UK model  
Presentation of how implementation of the Water Frame Directive is attempted in UK, including the use of 'environmental stewardship' and a system where farmers are 'paid' according to their achievements.
- 13.45 Panel debate  
Debate on methods for implementation of the Water Frame Directive, ways of regulating agriculture – i.e. sticks or carrots, and can we achieve the goal?
- 14.35 Closing  
End of conference and introduction to the final session
- 15.00-17.00 Network and/or project meetings  
Facilities for network and/or project meetings can be provided.