

3.00 pm

SESSION III: Developments in European and International Environmental Law

Chair: **Brendan Rossiter**, IDA Ireland, London / Frankfurt
Co-Chair: **Catherine Allen**, Mason Hayes + Curran, Dublin

Ross Winters-Nicholl, Paris / Düsseldorf
„European Environmental Liability Directive and its relevance to nature protection“

Killian O`Brien, Kiel
„The legal regime governing gaseous emissions of ocean-going vessels – a rivalry of international, european and national law“

Paul Hannratty, Dublin
“The development of IDA's strategy on the Green and Sustainable Energy agendas“

4.30 pm

Coffee
Hotel Kurhaus Binz / Rügen

5.00 pm

SESSION IV: The Future of Environmental Protection – Prospects and Requirements for Next Year's EU Presidencies

Chair: **Dr Jill Donoghue**, Institute of International and European Affairs, Dublin / Berlin

John Gormley, T.D., Irish Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Dublin

Dr Till Backhaus, MdL, Minister for Agriculture, the Environment and Consumer Protection of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Schwerin

6.00 pm

Final Comments & Close of Conference

Conference Evening Event

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PROGRAMME

Thursday, 4 September 2008

- 5.30 pm **Registration**
Venue: District Court, Bergen auf Rügen
- 6.00 pm **Welcome**
- Elmar Conrads-Hassel**, President,
German-Irish Lawyers and Business Association
- Rainer Eggers**, Director,
District Court, Bergen auf Rügen
- 6.15 pm **Opening Lecture**
Venue: District Court, Bergen auf Rügen
- Chair: **Elmar Conrads-Hassel**,
German-Irish Lawyers and Business Association
- Rainer Eggers**, Bergen auf Rügen
"History of the District Court `Bergen auf Rügen`
and its role in the German judicial system"
- 7.15 pm **Reception**
Venue: District Court, Bergen auf Rügen
- Hosted by the Irish Ambassador to Germany,
H.E. David Donoghue

Friday, 5 September 2008

- 7.30 am **Registration**
Venue: Hotel Kurhaus Binz / Rügen
- 8.00 am Departure to "Insel Vilm, Bundesamt für Naturschutz"
- 9.00 am **Introduction to Conference**
Venue (for morning session): Bundesamt für Naturschutz,
18581 Putbus
- Elmar Conrads-Hassel**, President,
German-Irish Lawyers and Business Association
- Professor Dr Hans Dieter Knapp**,
Leiter Außenstelle der Insel Vilm, Bundesamt für Naturschutz
- 9.15 am **SESSION I: Nature Protection**
- Chair: **Tom McLaughlin**, Bord Iascaigh Mhara / Irish Sea
Fisheries Board, Düsseldorf
Co-Chair: **Duncan S.J. Grehan**, Duncan Grehan & Partners,
Dublin
- Dr Jens Nusser**, Düsseldorf
„Nature 2000 – challenge for ecology and economy alike“
- Stefanie Beste**, Düsseldorf
„Climate change and renewable energies
Windparks and nature protection – the perfect couple (?)“
- 10.15 am **Coffee**
- 10.30 am **SESSION II: Guided tour through the wildlife sanctuary
"Insel Vilm"**
- Chair: **Professor Dr Hans Dieter Knapp**,
Bundesamt für Naturschutz
- 1.00 pm Return to **Hotel Kurhaus Binz / Rügen**
- 2.00 pm **Lunch**
Hotel Kurhaus Binz / Rügen