

PROGRAMME

INFORMAL MEETING OF ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS

11 – 12 JULY 2024, BUDAPEST, VÁRKERT BAZÁR

THURSDAY 11 JULY 2024

08:30 – 09:00 **Transfer from Matild Palace Hotel to Várkert Bazár**

09:00 – 09:45 **Welcome, handshake, doorstep**

OPENING PLENARY SESSION: INTRODUCTION

9:45 – 10:00 *Welcome speech* by Minister Csaba Lantos and *official handover of chairing* of the meeting to Minister of State Anikó Raisz

Opening speech by Minister of State Anikó Raisz

SESSION I: THE ROAD TO COP29

Keynote speakers:

10:00 – 12:30 H.E. Mukhtar Babayev, COP29 President-Designate, Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Dr. Diána Ürge-Vorsatz, Vice-President of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

12:30 – 13:00 **Break**

12:45 **Family photo**

**WORKING LUNCH FOR HEADS OF DELEGATION:
COMPETITIVENESS OF CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

13:00 – 14:30

Keynote speaker:

Csaba Balázs Rigó, President of the Hungarian Competition Authority

13:00 – 14:30

Walking lunch for delegates

14:30 – 15:00

Break

SESSION II: RESILIENT WATER MANAGEMENT

Keynote speakers:

15:00 – 17:30

Csaba Körösi, Strategic Director of the Blue Planet Foundation, former President of UN General Assembly

Prof. Dr. András Szöllősi-Nagy, Professor at Ludovika University of Public Service, UNESCO Chair on Water Conflict Management

17:45

Transfer to Matild Palace Hotel

19:15

Transfer from Matild Palace Hotel for dinner

19:30 – 22:00

Gala dinner at Aranybástya Restaurant

Heads of Delegation and delegates separately

22:00

Transfer to Matild Palace Hotel

FRIDAY 12 JULY 2024

08:30 – 09:00

Transfer from Matild Palace Hotel to Várkert Bazár

9:30 – 12:00

SESSION III: TRANSBOUNDARY POLLUTION (WATER & AIR)

Keynote speakers:

Prof. Dr. Péter Szűcs, Vice-Rector for General and Scientific Affairs, University of Miskolc

Prof. Dr. András Gelencsér, Rector, University of Pannonia

12:00 – 13:00

Break

12:00 – 13:00

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP

S.W.A.P. safe water access point

Műanyag Műhely by Plastic Cup

13:00 – 14:30

WORKING LUNCH FOR HEADS OF DELEGATION: EIB FINANCING ON ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE ACTION AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Guest speaker:

Thomas Östros, Vice-President of the European Investment Bank

13:00 – 14:30

Walking lunch for delegates

14:30

End of the Meeting

14:45

Transfer to Ferenc Liszt Budapest International Airport

15:00 – 15:30

Press Conference of the Hungarian Presidency and the European Commission