

INVITATION

Windows of Opportunity for Environmental Fiscal Reform

Thursday, 21st June 2012, 09:00 h – 10:30 h,
RioCentro Convention Centre, Room T-10

Background

Environmental Fiscal Reform (EFR) is a must for providing the framework for a green economy and can make a key contribution to sustainable development. It encompasses subsidy reform as well as environmental taxes, charges and fees, which ensure that polluters pay for unsustainable behaviour, incentivise change and which end government spending on environmentally harmful practices.

This event sets out to highlight possible "windows of opportunity" for greening economies by implementing EFR.

GreenBudgetEurope



On behalf of

BMZ



AGENDA

- Welcome:
Mr. Jürgen Maier, Director,
German NGO Forum on Environment and Development
- Keynote speech:
Ms. Jacqueline McGlade, Executive Director, European Environment Agency (EEA)
- Panel discussion:
 - **Mr. Aldo Ravazzi Douvan**, Vice President, Green Budget Europe
 - **Mr. Manfred Breithaupt**, Senior Advisor, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
 - **Mr. Tancrède Voituriez**, Governance Programme Director, Institut du Développement Durable et des Relations Internationales, SciencesPo Paris
- Closing Remarks:
Mr. Mikael Karlsson, President, European Environmental Bureau (tbc)

Chair: **Mr. Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker**, Co-Chair, UNEP International Resources Panel and Member of the Advisory Board of Green Budget Europe

Organizing Partners:

- Green Budget Europe and
- German NGO Forum on Environment and Development,
- European Environmental Bureau,
- Global Subsidies Initiative
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)