



Working Group on Soil

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Roadmap to the Soil Framework Directive

- 2002
 - Decision 1600/2002/EC laying down 6th Community Environment Action Programme: protect natural resources and promote sustainable use of soil
 - Communication COM(2002) 179 “Towards a Thematic Strategy on Soil Protection”
- 2003
 - Open stakeholder consultation with Advisory Forum and five Working Groups (including contamination)
- 2004
 - Stakeholder consultation ends with reports containing recommendations
- 2005
 - Internet public consultation
 - Impact assessment of new legislation
- 2006
 - Proposal for a Soil Protection Framework Directive (COM(2006) 232)
- 2008/9?
 - Final Directive



General Principles

- Prevention of soil contamination = appropriate and proportionate measures to limit introduction of dangerous substances
- Inventory of contaminated sites shall be established by
 - Locating the sites where soil potentially polluting activities take/took place – based on risk taking into account current and approved future use
 - Within 5 years after transposition date
- Harmonisation of risk assessment methodologies – how and what assumptions?
- Remediation = removal, control, containment or reduction of contaminants, taking into account current and approved future use



General Principles

- Nat'l remediation strategy
 - Within 7 years after transposition
 - Targets
 - Prioritisation of actions
 - Timetable for implementation
 - Allocation of means
- Soil status report
 - If potentially soil polluting activity
 - At sale
 - Landowner or prospective buyer provides competent authority
 - Issued by authorised body
 - Includes history of site, chemical analysis results, trigger values for on site risk investigation



Proposal – Some Definitions

- “potentially soil polluting activities”
 - Parts 1 & 2 of Annex I in Directive 2003/105/EC (Seveso II)
 - Annex I in Directive 96/61/EC (IPPC)
 - Airports
 - Ports
 - Former military sites
 - Petrol and filling stations
 - Dry cleaners
 - Mining installations excluded from Seveso II and including their waste installations
 - Landfills
 - Waste water treatment installations
 - Pipelines for dangerous substances



Working Group Actions

- Understand timeframe for European Parliament and Council readings
- Prepare list of remarks and issues
- Prepare draft position paper for review by Nicole community
- Next meeting in Brussels in November



THANK YOU!

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