# NEW EU GOALS AND POLICIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

## IOINT PERSPECTIVE OF CONSUMERS AND ENVIRONMENTALISTS

#### **Public Event**

Tuesday 15 October 2019, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) VMA building, Rue van Maerlant/straat 2, Room VMA3, 1040 Brussels

Moderator: Bernardo Hernández Bataller

8.30 a.m. Registration and coffee

9.30 a.m. Opening session

- Toni Vidan, Head of the energy programme, Green Action/Friends of the Earth Croatia – civil society organisation for environmental protection, Co-spokesperson of the Consumers & Environment Category
- **Evangelia Kekeleki**, Secretary-general of the Greek Consumer Protection Centre (KEPKA), Member of the Consumers & Environment Category
- Cillian Lohan, CEO of Green Economy Foundation, member of the Consumers & Environment Category; Rapporteur of the Reflection Paper 'Towards a Sustainable Europe by 2030'

### 10 a.m. Panel 1: Expectations and positions of civil society and the public

- Jeremy Wates, Secretary General, European Environmental Bureau
- **Dimitri Vergne**, BEUC, Senior Sustainable Transport Officer
- **Mladen Domazet,** Institute for Social Research Zagreb, Croatian national platform representative
- Alejandro Salcedo Aznal, Coordinator for Consumer Affairs, Regional Council of Castile-La Mancha"
- **Niko Humalisto**, University of Eastern Finland / Felm (member NGO of Fingo) · Geography and historic sciences
- Debate

11:30 a.m. Coffee break

## *12 p.m.* Panel 2: **Response of the EU institutions**

- European Commission representatives:
  - Marie-Paule Benassi, Acting Director, European Commission
    Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers Deputy
    Director-General in charge of Directorates B and E Consumers (JUST.DDG.E)
  - Claudia Hahn, Policy Officer responsible for SDGs, European Commission - Directorate-General for Environment - Global Sustainable Development - Sustainable Development Goals Green Finance & Economic Analysis (ENV.F.1)
- Debate

12.45 p.m. Closing remarks

Toni Vidan, Co-spokesperson of the Consumers & Environment Category

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