



# 2<sup>nd</sup> ESDN Young Civil Servants Workshop

18-19 March

Bringing Sustainable Development  
and the SDGs further in Public  
Administrations: Empowering  
Young Civil Servants

## Agenda

18-19 March 2026

Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity  
4, Place de l'Europe  
L-1499 Luxembourg-City (Kirchberg)

Room Vianden – 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Organized by the

European Sustainable Development Network (ESDN)  
in cooperation with the  
Luxembourgish Ministry for the Environment, Climate and  
Biodiversity

# Day 1: Wednesday, 18 March 2026

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**12:00 – 12:30 CET      Registration and Pre-Workshop Networking Snack**

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**12:30 – 13:00 CET      Opening & Welcome**

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**12:30 – 12:35      Opening and Host Welcome**

**Jeannette Muller**, ESDN Vice President, Team Lead for Sustainable Development, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

**12:35 – 12:40      Day 1 Overview**

**Peter Pöhle**, Moderator, Luxembourg

**12:40 – 13:00      Introduction Round for Participants**

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**13:00 – 14:45 CET      Session 1: Initiatives furthering Sustainable Development – Bridging Silos and Gaps**

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**13:00 – 13:15      Paris Climate Agreement, the Science-Policy-Interface, and their Effects on the Civil Service**

**Andrew Ferrone**, Director for International and European Affairs, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

**13:15 – 13:30      Holistic Sustainability Assessment and Technical Support Instrument**

**Saara Tamminen**, Chief Specialist, Sustainability Evaluations, Strategy Department, Finnish Prime Minister's Office, Finland

**13:30 – 13:45      Creating Experts of Sustainable Development in Public Administration**

**Adriana Mincă**, Councilor, Department of Sustainable Development – Prime Minister's Office, Romania

**13:45 – 14:00      Luxembourg Sovereign Sustainability Bond**

**Lara Jacoby**, Advisor for Sustainable Finance, Ministry of Finance, Luxembourg

**14:00 – 14:45      Panel Discussion/Q&A**

## Session 1 keynotes with the moderator

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14:45 – 15:15 CET Coffee Break

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15:15 – 15:30 CET **Inner Sustainability Reflection**

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15:30 – 18:15 CET **Exchange Space 1: Good practices in young civil servants having an impact within public administration**

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15:30 – 16:15 **Round 1**

**Table 1: Austria – Working Across Levels: Austria’s Sustainability Coordination Model**

**Hannah Jennewein**, ESDN Advisory Board Member, Policy Officer for Sustainable Development, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, Austria

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**Melina Matzawrakos**, ESDN Advisory Board Member, Policy Officer for Sustainable Development and Participation, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, Austria

**Table 2: Luxembourg - Social Climate Plan & National Action Plan for the Prevention and Combating of Poverty**

**Louis Bleser**, Climate Change Project Manager - Climate Social Plan, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

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**Nicholas O’Connell**, Project Manager, Ministry of Family Affairs, Solidarity, Living Together and Reception of Refugees, Luxembourg

**Table 3: Wales: Well-being of Future Generations Act**

**Philip Jillesjö Löf**, Climate, Environment & Future Generations Policy Lead, Welsh Government, Wales

16:15 – 17:00 **Round 2**

17:00 – 17:15 Coffee Break

17:15 – 18:00 **Round 3**

18:00 – 18:15 **Summary from Table Leads**

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18:15 – 18:30 CET **Closing of Workshop Day 1**

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18:15 – 18:25

## **Main Takeaways from Day 1**

**All Participants Share**

18:25 – 18:30

## **Dinner Announcement and Information about Tuesday**

**Peter Pöhle, Moderator, Luxembourg**

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19:00 – 21:00 CET

**Dinner**

Mesa Verde Resto  
RUE DU SAINT-ESPRIT, 11

Meeting Place Clairefontaine at 18:55

## Day 2: Thursday, 19 March 2026

08:30 – 09:00 CET

Networking Coffee

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09:00 – 09:10 CET

**Welcome and Day 1 Recap**

09:00 – 09:05

**Welcome**

**Katja Hummer**, ESDN Advisory Board, Policy Officer for EU Climate Policy, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, Austria

09:05 – 09:10

**Recap from Day 1**

**Peter Pöhle**, Moderator, Luxembourg

09:10 – 10:00 CET

**Session 2: Open Panel Discussion with Experienced Civil Servants**

09:10 – 09:30

**Short introduction and impulses from the panelists**

**Pia Nagl**, Austrian Attaché for Environment, Climate and Nuclear Questions, Belgium

**Saara Tamminen**, Chief Specialist, Sustainability Evaluations, Strategy Department, Finnish Prime Minister's Office, Finland

**Sébastien Kieffer**, Head of Unit - International Affairs, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

09:30 – 09:40

**Impulse from the Minister of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity & Minister for the Civil Service**

**Serge Wilmes**, Minister of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity and Minister for the Civil Service, Luxembourg

09:40 – 10:15

**Panel Discussion/Q&A**

**With Panelists and the Minister**

10:15 – 10:30 CET

Coffee Break

10:30 – 13:15 CET

## Exchange Space 2: Good practices in young civil servants having an impact within public administration – Part 2

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10:30 – 11:15

### Round 1

#### Table 1: Germany - Crimes that Affect the Environment: Threats to a Sustainable Future

**Tim Rauschenberg**, Policy Officer, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany

#### Table 2: Luxembourg - Connecting the Dots: Navigating Climate Adaptation and Resilience Strategies for the Future

**Elena Metzdorf**, Project Manager, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

#### Table 3: Luxembourg - 'Once Only' as a Driver for Administrative Simplification - Proactive, Data Driven Public Services for Sustainable Governance

**Sven Oostvogels**, Public Data Manager, Ministry for Digitalization, Luxembourg

11:15 – 12:00

### Round 2

12:00 – 12:15

Coffee Break

12:15 – 13:00

### Round 3

13:00 – 13:15

### Summary from Table Leads

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13:15 – 14:00 CET

## Session 3: Moderated and Open Discussions in Plenary

**Peter Pöhle**, Moderator, Luxembourg

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14:00 – 14:45 CET

## Lunch and Workshop Closing

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14:00 – 14:45 CET

Lunch

14:00 – 14:10

### Workshop Wrap-up

**Jeannette Muller**, ESDN Vice President, Team Lead for Sustainable Development, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg

14:10 – 14:15

### Workshop Close

**Peter Pöhle**, Moderator, Luxembourg

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14:45 CET

**End of the ESDN Young Civil Servants Workshop**

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14:45 – 16:00 CET

**“Here Comes the Sun” Exhibit - Art, Energy and Natural Intelligence**

<https://cerclcite.lu/en/event/here-comes-the-sun>

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16:00 – 17:30 CET

**Informal Networking Opportunity**

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