

# ***Science-Policy Interactions and Ways to bring Stakeholders Together for improved Information Transfer and Sharing***

*Side Event in the framework of the 9th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents*

*Organized by the Directorate-General Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME) on:*

***Tuesday, 29 November 2016  
1:15 – 2:45 p.m., Marmorna Hall  
Ljubljana Exhibition and Convention Centre***

## ***Objectives of the Side Event***

- Raise the need for United Nations policies (UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention, UNISDR) and EU policies (Seveso III Directive, Civil Protection Mechanism) to get scientific support for a better implementation by the Member States*
- Present the framework of a "Community of Users" to highlight opportunities offered by an improved bridging of policy and science actors and practitioners*
- Present examples of on-going initiatives in research and exchange platforms of potential interest to the Parties to the UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention*
- Discuss with speakers from the policy and science sectors and the audience some possible ideas of improved networking that could help facilitating transfer of research outputs to end users*

## ***Side Event Programme***

### ***Opening***

*Nicholas Bonvoisin, Environment Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)*

### ***Member State's perspective***

*Rachel McCann, Health & Safety Executive (United Kingdom)*

### ***UN-ISDR perspective***

*Paola Albrito, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UN-ISDR), tbc*

### ***Bridging policy, science and practitioners***

*Philippe Quevauviller, European Commission, Directorate-General Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME)*

### ***Examples of EU-funded projects (EDEN and DRIVER)***

*Michael Loescher, European Virtual Institute for Integrated Risk Management (EU-VRI (DE))*

### ***Needs for Exchange Platform – ETPIS***

*Olivier Salvi, European Technology Platform on Industrial Safety*

### ***Panel discussion with the speakers***

### ***Conclusions***