

Meeting on EU Politics

30th of October 9.30 a.m. Casola, Italy

Agenda

1. - 6. presentations 10 min. each

1. Baerbel Vogel: short overview about the activities in European Parliament 2008 and European Commission 2010 / declaration to protect caves as cultural, natural and environmental heritage + petition for the protection of cave contents
2. Stefan Naeff: homepage www.cavedeclaration.eu
3. Baerbel Vogel + n.n.: EU Directives related to speleology:
Habitats Directive (habitat type 8310 caves not open to public) and
Groundwater Directive
4. Ioana Meleg: Council of Europe – FSE participatory status
5. Baerbel Vogel: possibilities for speleological lobbying
 - Partners: European Environment Bureau EEB, IUCN etc.
 - Projects: FSE European Cave Day, proposal: European Cave Animal of the Year
 - Working Group C Groundwater
 - European Environment Agency EEA
 - 6th Environment Enforcement Program ends 2012
 - Committee of Petition EU Parliament
 - European Civil Initiative - 1.000.000 signatures start in 2012
6. Baerbel Vogel: proposal for working groups and position papers of every European speleo federation on
 - biodiversity and EU Habitats Directive
 - hydrology and EU Groundwater Directive
 - construction projects in Karst
 - protected areas and GIS project
 - CITES cavebear bones
 - geothermics
7. discussion

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