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Re: LC Initiative: LCA workshops in Vienna May 16

UNEP / SETAC Life Cycle Initiative

Further information on LCA workshops to be held in Vienna, May 16, 2002: **Definition Studies**

Dear colleagues interested in the UNEP/SETAC Life Cycle Initiative,

We refer to our earlier mail of March 6 where we informed you about the developments of the UNEP/ SETAC Life Cycle Initiative, and invited you to participate in the LCA workshops in **Vienna on Thursday May 16**. We are happy to send you more detailed information.

As you know, we will start with the implementation of **three definition studies** on: 1. the LCI program, 2. the LCIA program and 3. the LCM program. The **Terms of Reference (ToR)** for these three definition studies are attached (see [Attachment 1](#), [Attachment 2](#), [Attachment 3](#)). Although you might not be able to participate in the workshops, we would be delighted to receive your comments. We call this process user's (and supplier's) needs assessment. This will be coordinated by the UNEP secretariat for the Life Cycle Initiative. Please, send your comments to Anne Solgaard (anne.solgaard@unep.fr) with cc to Guido Sonnemann (gsonnema@etseq.urv.es).

The two workshops in Vienna on Thursday May 16, linked to the 12th SETAC-Europe Annual meeting, will initiate the work on the **definition studies on LCA**. Please note that we will host a workshop for the definition study on **LCM** later this year.

The first workshop in Vienna will be a very specific workshop to compare **LCI database protocols** ([Attachment 4](#)). The second, will be broader dealing with all aspects of the **LCIA program** ([Attachment 5](#)). The workshops will be open to participants of the conference, as well as to other interested people. Please find attached the detailed descriptions of the workshop scopes, including application forms. The attendance to the workshops will be free.

The **overall agenda** for the two workshops is also attached ([Attachment 6](#)). Both workshops will start at 9.00h with a common introductory program. Then the participants will break into two groups. At 16.00h there will be a final plenary session; closure at 17.00h. The venue will be announced in due course.

In the attachments about the two workshops you will find **application forms**. Please respond by **April 15**: for the LCI workshop, please contact Greg Norris (norris@sylvatica.com), and for the LCIA workshop please contact Olivier Jolliet (olivier.jolliet@epfl.ch), both with a cc. to Anne Solgaard (anne.solgaard@unep.fr).

For more information about the TORs and the workshops in general please contact the undersigned, Greg Norris, Olivier Jolliet, Anne Solgaard or Guido Sonnemann. For more information about SETAC's 12th Annual conference, please go to: <http://www.setac.org/vienna.html>.

We look forward to getting your feedback on our working proposals and to seeing you in Vienna!

With best regards,
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