



10 September 2019

To: HELCOM Heads of Delegation  
Observers of HELCOM  
Contacts of HELCOM Agri group  
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Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the HELCOM Groups

Re. [Invitation to the Eighth Meeting of the HELCOM Group on Sustainable Agricultural Practices \(AGRI 8-2019\), Berlin, Germany, 5-6 November 2019](#)

Dear Madam/Sir,

With reference to the Outcome of the 56<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the HELCOM Heads of Delegation (HOD 56-2019, paragraph 3.44), I have the pleasure to invite the Contracting Parties to the Helsinki Convention and the HELCOM Observers to the Eighth Meeting of the Agri group (AGRI 8-2019), which will be held in Berlin, Germany on 5-6 November 2019. The Meeting will be hosted by the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety and it will be held at the premises of the Ministry (Köthener Straße 2-3, 10117 Berlin).

The Meeting will be opened on **Tuesday, 5 November, at 9:00** and is expected to terminate by **16:00 on Wednesday, 6 November**.

I am pleased to enclose the invitation by Germany as well as the provisional agenda.

Documents for the Meeting will be made available in the AGRI 8-2019 [Meeting Site](#) in the HELCOM Meeting Portal. Please find [here](#) instructions for signing up as a first time user of the Meeting Portal. After the sign up, the participants are kindly requested to sign in and to register to the Meeting by answering the [Participation Survey](#) not later than **by 29 October 2019**.

The Secretariat kindly requests the Contracting Parties and Observers to observe the deadlines for submission of documents to a HELCOM meeting. The basic documents and documents requiring action or a decision to the Meeting should be submitted in electronic form to Professional Secretary Mr. Dmitry Frank-Kamenetsky ([Dmitry.Frank-Kamenetsky@helcom.fi](mailto:Dmitry.Frank-Kamenetsky@helcom.fi)) **by 15 October 2019**. Bulky documents should include abstracts embodying the essence of the proposals and action requested from the meeting. Documents containing comments to the basic documents as well as information documents should be provided to the Secretariat **by 29 October 2019**.

Yours sincerely,

Rüdiger Strepel  
Executive Secretary



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**Invitation to HELCOM AGRI - 8 Meeting in Berlin**  
**November 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> 2019**  
Reference: WR I 5 - 20215/1

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Dear Rüdiger,

I am glad to confirm that Germany will host the HELCOM AGRI – 8 meeting in Berlin. On behalf of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, I hereby invite all HELCOM contracting parties to this meeting which will be held at the premises of our Ministry: Köthener Straße 2-3, 10117 Berlin, Room 03.01.12.

For organisational arrangements, please contact:

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I am looking forward to welcoming participants from all HELCOM contracting parties to the meeting.



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Yours sincerely

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