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### *Concertation, Décision, Environnement*

is a research programme funded by the French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy (ministère de l'Écologie, du Développement durable et de l'Énergie – MEDDE) with the contribution of French Environment and Energy Management Agency (ADEME). It was launched in 1999 to revitalize research in social sciences in the field of the environment and initiate work in a (then) innovative field : public participation and stakeholder engagement. In 2008/2009, a second wave of projects was launched, focusing on the critical analysis of the processes of participation. To date, the programme has funded over 60 (mainly) interdisciplinary projects in a broad range of social sciences.

## Programme Objectives

The CDE programme has the following objectives :

- to advance scientific knowledge on the processes of public participation and stakeholder commitment processes in the environmental field. In particular, this programme seeks to understand how environmental issues affect the participation processes and decision-making ;
- to improve existing participation methods by providing feedback from concrete experiences ;
- to inform public policy (as all programmes funded by the French Ministry of Sustainable Development).

“Concertation” : the French word “concertation” covers a wide range of activities that extend from public consultation by the authorities to joint decision-making, in particular including public participation and stakeholder commitment.

## Knowledge Exchange

The programme organises discussions between researchers through **annual two-day workshops in which all the project teams funded by the programme take part**. In 2011, it also organised a special two-day workshop for French researchers to discuss research on public participation in environmental policy with their English counterparts.

Since 1999, 20 **thematic seminars** have been organised where researchers have discussed ongoing projects with interested stakeholders in public participation and stakeholder commitment.

The programme's **publications** enable the capitalisation of research, both in the research community (books, research reports...) and in the policy community (summaries for decision-makers, seminar proceedings...). All the publications can be found on the programme website: [www.concertation-environnement.fr](http://www.concertation-environnement.fr)

A **final conference** will take place in 2013. It will present the results of the programme's projects and transverse results coming from the programme as a whole. The results will be discussed among researchers and actors of the environmental field.

## Programme management

**The Scientific Board** establishes research priorities for the program, evaluates research projects on their academic merit, and supervises the quality of their implementation. It is composed of scientists from a broad range of social sciences (sociology, public management, philosophy, social psychology, geography, urban planning, information and communication sciences...). It is chaired by **Laurent MERMET**, Professor of Environmental Management, AgroParisTech, Paris.

**The Strategic Advisory Committee** defines the Programme's strategy, formulates research priorities and advises on its dissemination. It brings together representatives from the French Ministry of Sustainable Development, other French Ministries, public Agencies, local government offices, and third sector organisations. It is chaired by the Head of Research Division of the Ministry of Sustainable development.

Management of protected natural areas and public participation: what effect on the decision?

Christophe BOUNI - Bureau d'études ASCA

Decision-making in crisis situations: waste-management, conflicts and concertation (France, Italy, Mexico)

Patrice MELE - Université de Tours UMR CITERES

The import of public engagement. Towards a sociological modelling of public participation impacts on decision-making processes

Jean-Michel FOURNIAU - Département économie et sociologie des transports de l'IFSTTAR

Framing citizen's expression in participative procedures at the local level in environment: a European comparison

Laurence MONNOYER-SMITH - Université de Technologies de Compiègne

Ordinary actors in participatory dynamics linked to environmental questions

Roland RAYMOND - Université de Savoie

A national park in the Calanques of Marseille? Construction of territorial forms of consultation and principles of legitimacy

Valérie DELDREVE - IRSTEA Bordeaux and Philippe DEBOUDT - Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille 1

Outcomes and transferability of a participatory design: a comparison of Seveso sites

Odile PIRIOU - Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire pour la Sociologie Economique, CNRS-CNAM

Urban design projects integrating user expertise: Can a collaborative workspace improve public participation

Claudine GUIDAT - Ecole Nationale Supérieure en Génie des Systèmes Industriels

The "Grenelle de l'environnement": actors, speech, effects

Pierre LASCOUMES and Daniel BOY - Centre d'Etude de la vie politique française (CEVIPOF)

Public participation in developing national regulations on the environment in France and abroad. Democratic requirement, legal necessity

Gérard MONEDIAIRE - CRIDEAU Université de Limoges

SEMIPAR - Military secret and public participation: the case of the secret basic nuclear installations

Philippe BILLET - Institut du droit à l'environnement - Université Jean Moulin - Lyon 3

Professional practices, markets & policies. Standardisation in viticulture and deliberative process

Didier BUSCA - CERTOP Université Toulouse-le-Mirail

The citizen consultation in eco-neighborhoods projects in France: assessment and European perspectives

Jodelle ZETLAOUI-LEGER - IUP Créteil

Participation of the public and co-production of street cleanliness. Compared field studies in Mulhouse and Besançon (France), Rufisque (Senegal) and Mohammedia (Morocco)

Christian GUINCHARD - LASA Université de Franche-Comté

Eco-neighbourhood and urban ecological experiments: participatory dynamics and logic of usage. A comparative study in France and Catalonia

Amandine GUILBERT - GRAC Université Lyon 2 and Miguel DOÑATE-SASTRE - COPSAT Université de Barcelone

Foresight and participation. Scenarios for marine protected areas

Sébastien TREYER - CIRED AgroParisTech

A history of public participation in the measurement and control of air quality: administrative framing, scientific neutrality and citizens' overwhelming initiatives

Florian CHARVOLIN - MODYS CNRS

From training to uncertainty to governance through uncertainty: local actors facing the risk management plan of the industrial harbour area of Dunkerque

Séverine FRÈRE - Université du Littoral

Adaptation to climate change: historical perspectives on how the issue is framed in planning

Olivier SOUBEYRAN - Institut de Géographie Alpine

Towards a "New Spirit of Democracy", established participation and citizen engagement around the planning for the intercommunal eco-neighbourhood Union-Roubaix, Tourcoing,

Bruno VILLALBA, Sciences Po Lille and Majdouline SBAL - Université Populaire & Citoyenne, Roubaix

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