

BARCELONA



Josep Maria Llorach Garcia

Biologist. Specialist in areas of environmental education and interpretation, and also on issues of educational video production. He has worked as a lecturer in many courses and college (Universitat Rovira I Virgili de Tarragona-URV, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya-UOC). Creator and managing director of nature school “Cel Rogent” where he worked from 1981 to 2008. Since June 2011, operates as a coordinator of the Technical Secretariat of the program A21 of the City Council of Barcelona.

Margarida Feliu Portabella

Academic degree on Pedagogy. Coordinator of the Agenda 21 School Program of the City Council of Barcelona. Environmental educator and trainer of teachers. Professor of the Master of Environment, Education and Communication, and also of the Master of Environmental Management and Intervention, University of Barcelona. Founder in 1985 of “Viladraueducació.com” (company of services about environmental education projects). Collaborator of “Vincles” Foundation (education, participation and sustainability) and member of the Catalan Society for Environmental Education.



MARSEILLE



Jean-Charles LARDIC

General Civil Engineer, Jean-Charles LARDIC works for the City of Marseilles as the Chief Executive Officer of Forward-Planning. In charge of innovation and strategy, his service deals with the major issues concerning cities for the 21st century, related to socio-economical, technological and environmental aspects. Former Sustainable Development Director for the City of Marseilles, he managed technical projects (especially on environmental subjects), contributed to policy making in a participative way, and promoted changes of minds through management improving, local governance, and public awareness raising through education and participation. He is involved in many decentralized cooperation projects, especially in Euromediterranean area.

Jean-Paul MAGNIEN

Senior engineer at the Municipality of Marseilles, Jean-Paul MAGNIEN has been working for the last ten years at the Sustainable Development Department, before joining the Forward Planning Department. He was in charge of the coordination of the municipal policy of education for sustainable development. This included the animation of the Municipal Group of Education for Sustainable Development (today known as MARS'ECO), the impulsion of new activities, such as evaluation, and the link with regional partners, such as "Education Nationale" and the EESD PACA Platform. Since his incorporation at the Forward Planning Department, he follows his involvement by participating at MARS'ECO and EESD PACA Platform works.



R I G A



Alise Gedgauda

Born in 1988 in Latvia. Since November 2009 working for Riga City Council Housing and Environment department and since March 2010 Project coordinator (ESF, “Creating work practice in the municipalities for obtaining and maintaining work skills” project). Main activities and responsibilities are coordinating and managing the work of work place managers and involved unemployed inhabitants. Preparing reports on the project results and achievements as well as monthly reports on project progress. Cooperating with state agencies and organization for the successful implementation of the project according to project plan and guidelines. Has a Bachelor degree of Social Science in the Field of Communication , Public Relations and is planning to achieve a Degree of Master in Communication for Development

Margarita Scadrina

Born in 1988 in Latvia. Since August 2009 working for Riga City Council Housing and Environment department in the field of EU Central Baltic programme, CADDIES project manager (WP3 local communication structures). Main activities and responsibilities are Searching and determination of the best communication practice. Producing communication plan, plan of local communication structures and creating new platform for inhabitants’ communication with each other and local authorities. Educating inhabitants to use existing informative sources on the Internet. Since March 2011 Project coordinator (Energy Efficiency Improvement Measures in Social Houses). Is a teacher of English language.



TALLINN



Peep Pobbul

Head of Environment Gear Division in Tallinn Environment Department. Graduated as engineer and amended in environment law and environmental management in university courses.

Janne Kallakmaa

I am working at the waste management department as a chief specialist in The Environmental Board in Tallinn from the year 2010. My official duties are to organize waste transport and to prepare legislative texts. I have worked as an environmental specialist also in the self-governments of Järva-Jaani and Kuusalu, where I was engaged with environmental questions involving waste, water, air etc. I got my master`s degree in management of environment in The University of Tartu in 2011.



WARSAW



Marta Kęsik

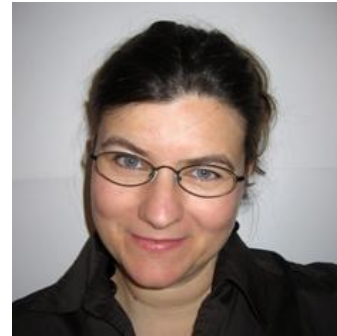
Marta Kęsik works in the Strategy and Development Unit of Infrastructure Department of Warsaw City Hall. She deals with issues related to sustainable urban development, energy efficiency and ecological education. She is involved in projects related to energy efficiency improvement in social housing by introducing smart metering and energy efficiency education. She was the person responsible for organization of the “train of Ideas” exhibition in Warsaw on behalf of the City.

She holds Master of Sciences Degree in Environmental Protection (Warsaw University of Life Science).

ZURICH

Christine Bächtiger Gassner

Born in 1970. Degree in Environmental Sciences at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH Zurich), worked intensively with eco-economic tools as a scientific assistant to the chair in forest policy and forest economy at the ETH. During a further three years she familiarised herself with the theories and methodologies of political science as a scientific assistant at Interface, an institute for policy studies in Luzern. Worked primarily on evaluations in the areas of environmental, energy and transport policy. Is working for the environment and health protection agency of the City of Zurich since 2002 and is in charge of various projects, particularly concerned with economic tools, coaching for energy efficient buildings and environmental education. From autumn 2011 it is planned to foster Education for Sustainability at four to five pilot schools in the city. The project with a planned duration of four years is implemented in close collaboration with the project 'Ecoschools – learning and doing' by the Swiss Foundation for Environmental Education.



Dr Rolf Jucker

Born in 1963, initially studied German Studies, Philosophy and History. After a PhD in German Literature he worked for 13 years as a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in German Studies at the University of Wales Swansea. The Rio Earth Summit and the birth of his daughter in 1994 led him to refocus my research, teaching and administrative activities within a sustainability framework. Gained a MSc from South Bank University London in Education for Sustainability. Based on this he decided to leave academia and work in Environmental and Sustainability Education.

Is now heading the Swiss Foundation for Environmental Education since September 2007. Its aim is to embed and mainstream Education for Sustainable Development (and Environmental Education as an indispensable part of it) in the education system of Switzerland. Together with our 'sister' Foundation for Development Education we are the main institutions in Switzerland tasked with the coordination and implementation of an action plan for ESD which has been adopted in 2007. Close collaboration work with the educational authorities and other stakeholders such as the UNESCO commission of Switzerland. In particular we collaborate with the city of Zurich on a project called "Umweltschulen – Lernen und Handeln [ecoschools – learning and doing]".