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## **Birthday on Earth Day: 5 Years of Ecologic Institute US**

### **News**

#### **Date**

22 April 2013

#### **Location**

Washington, DC, United States

Five years ago, on Earth Day 2008, Ecologic Institute's transatlantic program found an institutional foothold with the incorporation of Ecologic Institute in Washington, DC (EIUS). A recognized public charity under U.S. law, EIUS has since expanded its presence with a second office in San Mateo, California, and actively engages partners and stakeholders in government, academia, and civil society throughout North America. On this occasion, EIUS and Ecologic Institute Berlin – together with US partner institutions – celebrated their transatlantic activities with workshops, presentations, and discussions. Videos, presentation slides and further information are available online.

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### **Before Earth Day**

## **Adaptation to Climate Change in Mountain & Coastal Areas Part 1**

16-19 April 2013, Hamburg, Germany

The aim of this transatlantic dialogue was to build an interface between providers and users of climate change knowledge.

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### **Earth Day - Monday, 22 April 2013 (Earthday)**

## **Cultural Perceptions of Climate Change and Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategies in Maryland, North Carolina, and the German Baltic Sea Coast – A Transatlantic Coastal Research Project**

Lunch seminar in Berlin, co-hosted by the [US Embassy in Berlin](#)

As a kick-off event, the lunch seminar presented the results of a transatlantic research project on cultural perceptions of climate change and adaptation in coastal regions. This project, undertaken by Duke University and Ecologic Institute, examines how people's values and beliefs in coastal zones

of Germany and the United States shape decision-making and adaptive capacity in the face of experienced and future climate change impacts, notably sea level rise.

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## **Konrad von Moltke Fund (KvM) meeting and conversation**

Meeting in Washington, DC

The [KvM](#) is a tribute to Konrad von Moltke's vision in forging transatlantic cooperation in sustainable development policy by sponsoring exchanges for young policy researchers entering the field.

## **Climate adaptation at the local and regional level**

Lunch Discussion in Washington, DC

This event was co-hosted by [The American Security Project](#), the [National Farmers Union](#), and [The Atlantic Council](#). It featured members of the [ELEEP Network](#) Jan Ahlen, Government Relations Representative of the National Farmers Union and Andrew Holland, Senior Fellow for Energy and Climate at the American Security Project. [Read more...](#)

## **Conservation on Thin Ice: What You Need to Know about the Changing Arctic Environment – A Forward Look and Launch of the 2013 Arctic Summer College**

Event in Washington, DC

This interactive event on key Arctic environmental challenges was implemented in cooperation with the Center for Strategic and International Studies ([CSIS](#)). On the occasion of the launch of the 2013 Arctic Summer College, the CSIS and Ecologic Institute welcomed William M. Eichbaum, vice president of Marine and Arctic Policy of the World Wildlife Fund, R. Andreas Kraemer, Director of Ecologic Institute, and Dr. Kelly K. Falkner, Director of Polar Programs of the National Science Foundation for a conversation on the environmental and social impacts of a rapidly changing Arctic. The discussion can be watched online.

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## **Birthday on Earth Day: 5 Years of Ecologic Institute US**

Evening Reception with friends and partners of Ecologic Institute, in Washington, DC.

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**Tuesday, 23 April 2013**

## **From Metrics to Policy (Part I): The use of quantitative information and indicators to inform marine and environmental policy**

Dialogue in Washington, DC

How can environmental statistics and metrics serve to effectively inform the public, policymakers, and the media? Tanja Srebotnjak of Ecologic Institute's San Mateo Office and scientists Elizabeth Selig and David Hole from Conservation International engaged in a dialogue on the research they are conducting on measuring the dependence of human populations across the world on marine ecosystem resources. Photos and presentation files are available for download.

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## **From Metrics to Policy (Part II) – Local Sustainability Measurement, Reporting in Support of Community Action: The Sustainable San Mateo County Indicators Report**

Presentation in Washington, DC

Tanja Srebotnjak and Cathy Schechter of Ecologic Institute's San Mateo Office offered a sneak peek into the 2013 Sustainable San Mateo County Indicators 17th edition Report, the longest continuously running local indicator report in the U.S. The report is available for download.

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## **How to transform Europe into a low-carbon economy by 2050**

Presentation by [Matthias Duwe](#), Head, Climate, Ecologic Institute, in Washington DC

The presentation was part of Johns Hopkins University's monthly lecture series of its Energy Policy and Climate Program (EPC Forum). The lecture provided background information on the EU and German Energy and Climate Policy experience and the current state of discussions on the next steps to be taken – with an eye to climate policy developments in the United States. The presentation files and video are available for download.

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## **The Role of the European Union in Tackling Environmental Crime**

Luncheon in Washington, DC

The luncheon with [R. Andreas Kraemer](#), Director, Ecologic Institute, was moderated by Julian Lee, Environment Specialist, AES and William Magrath, Lead Natural Resources Economist, SASDA.

## **The New Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership**

Workshop in Washington, DC

This event was co-hosted by the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies ([AICGS](#)) and Ecologic Institute. It was comprised of two panels. Panel One discussed – Transatlantic Trade and Investment Protection – and Panel Two examined – Patents, Copyrights, and Privacy. – [Read more...](#)

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**Wednesday, 24 April 2013**

## **Climate Change and the Atlantic Basin**

Seminar in Washington, DC

This event was jointly organized by Ecologic Institute and the Atlantic Basin Initiative (ABI) of the Center for Transatlantic Relations ([CTR](#)) at Johns Hopkins University-[SAIS](#) within the framework of joint cooperation on the ATLANTIC FUTURE FP7 project of the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme. [Read more...](#)

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**Thursday, 25 April 2013**

# **The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership and its influence on the Clean Energy Economy**

Conversation in New York

This event was jointly organized by [Cultural Vistas](#) and Ecologic Institute with the kind support of the [German information Center](#). You can find more information [here](#).

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**August 2013**

## **Adaptation to climate change in Mountain & Coastal Areas: a transatlantic dialogue-Part 2**

Aspen, Colorado

The event, aiming to build an interface between providers and users of climate change knowledge, will be co-hosted by the Aspen Global Change Institute.

Additionally, the brochure [5 Years Ecologic Institute US](#) presents Ecologic Institute's six transatlantic program areas and highlights examples from [Climate and Energy](#), [Europe and its Policies](#), [Economics of Transformation](#), [Biodiversity and Ecosystems](#), [Transatlantic Outreach and Exchange](#) and Metrics and Indicators.

### **Duration**

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