

**Zero Waste International Alliance Meeting and International Zero Waste Dialog September 2,
2007, 10 am to 4 PM**

Davos Congress Center, Promenade 67, Jakobshorn Room, Wing B of the congress center CH-7270 Davos, Switzerland.

The first Zero Waste International Alliance (ZWIA) meeting was thought of in Penang, Malaysia and implemented in Beaumaris Wales in 2003.

The First International Dialog was held in San Francisco in 2004. Preceding the Dialog there was a meeting of the Zero Waste International Alliance. The event brought people together from every continent except Antarctica and discussed the state of the art for the proper management of discards.

Today, Zero waste is a theme of several of the workshops at the R'07 Conference (<http://www.r07.org/>) as well as in policy in several countries and many regions and communities. Preceding the R'07 Congress, the Zero Waste International Alliance is organizing a Zero Waste Dialog, along with R'07 organizers.

The Zero Waste Dialog will include; 1. ZWIA welcome, introductions and discussion on the contents of the agenda.

2. Zero Waste update - Progress reports from each continent (ID Communities that have adopted Zero Waste as a goal; businesses that have achieved 90% diversion from landfills and incinerators; and policy initiatives adopted to advance Zero Waste)

3. Identification of key zero waste issues that need help from ZWIA to resolve identification of barriers to success of zero waste programs

4. Proposed global actions to remove barriers

The Zero Waste Dialog will be web cast. The details for that are still being worked out.

A ZWIA Planning Group Meeting will be held at 4 PM Davos Time. The Meeting will include discussions on:

- Next Steps for ZWIA
- Who will be next ZWIA coordinator?
- What grants are available to fund ZWIA initiatives? Who can help pursue those funds?
- Setting up quarterly conference calls for ZWIA Planning Group
- ZWIA annual reports to UK authorities
- ZWIA adoption of Highest and Best Use policy
- ZWIA listing of Zero Waste consultants

Please RSVP to Ricanthony@aol.com and/or Gary@garyliss.com of your intention to;

1. Attend the Zero Waste Dialog on September 2 in Davos,
2. Listen to the Web Cast,
3. Be listed as a sponsor,
4. Send notice of this meeting to your network

5. Participate in a 1-hour ZWIA Planning Group Meeting at the end of this event (i.e., 4 PM Davos time) to adopt any policies or take any actions discussed at this event.

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