











## Short curricula of some of the speakers

**François Veillerette** has a teacher education and is the spokesperson for Générations Futues (PAN France) which he co-founded and which he was President of for 10 years. François is currently president of Pesticide Action Network Europe. François was, until March 2010, Deputy Director of a Regional Education Adapted Place (EREA). François was elected as regional advisor in March 2010 with 'Europe Écologie' and is currently Vice Chairman of Picardie Regional Council responsible for the file of environment, food and health.

**Joop Spijker** (1959) is senior researcher at the Research Institute Alterra Of Wagenigen University in the Netherlands. Mr. Spijkers is working on sustainable management of urban green, nature and forests. In 1994 he was co-autor of "Gif van de straat", the first important publication for municipalities to avoid the use of chemicals in public spaces.. Other research themes are the good use of biomass from urban green and nature areas, climate adaptation of cities using green (reduction heat stress, floodings).

**Jesper Lund-Larsen** is Political Advisor in United Federation of Danish Workers 3F and Occupational Health Consultant The Danish Industry Working Environment Council Farm to Fork. Jesper has a background as Landscape Gardener, and has for 10 years been worked in that field before in 1987 joining the 3F. Jesper is the author of several publications and scientific papers in the past a lot of these on pesticides and workers exposure, but recently moving to topics like Green jobs in local areas. Jesper represent the Danish Trade Union in a lot of external committee many of them covering experts meetings at both the Danish and the European public administration.

**Peter Defranceschi** has been working for over ten years for ICLEI, an international organisation of local governments committed to sustainable development. He is heading the ICLEI Office in Brussels representing urban sustainability issues vis-à-vis the European institutions and other stakeholders. Since he joined ICLEI, Peter has been working on International and European projects related to sustainable public procurement, climate change, biodiversity, water and mobility. He organises a series of informal meetings on urban sustainability called Breakfast at Sustainability's hosted by EU-liaison Offices of national, regional and local governments in Brussels.

Peter is Italian and lawyer by training. Before joining ICLEI he had been working in various organisations in Europe and Latin America.

**David Cary** was educated in Queensland, Australia as an entomologist. He worked on bringing IPM into cotton in the early 1980s involving pheromone trapping, prediction models, crop rotations, enhancement of natural predators, varietal selection, etc. He was part of the team working towards resistance management of the overused synthetic pyrethroids in that crop and has encouraged the establishment of IPM systems for other crops. His belief in IPM is stronger than ever and he represents IBMA in IPM activities and promotions wherever possible at EU, OECD and FAO forums and expert groups

**Dick Shaw** is the UK Country Director for CABI, a not-for-profit research organization owned by its 48 member countries. He is responsible for the coordination of CABI's

activities on invasive species in Europe and the Americas and has worked in this field for 21 years. Most recently he has overseen the Defra-funded research on aquatic and riparian weeds threatening Water Framework Directive goals by researching the use of natural enemies for their permanent control. This culminated in the first ever officially sanctioned release of an insect against a weed in Europe in the form of the sap-sucking psyllid against Japanese knotweed, *Fallopia japonica* in England and Wales. This was shortly followed by the first ever use of a fungus to control a weed in the EU in the form of a rust released against Himalayan balsam, *Impatiens glandulifera* in 2014.

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