

Southeastern Europe Defense Ministerial (SEDM) Environmental Conference  
Agenda

Monday, April 10, 2000

**Evening**

Social at Avsenik Country Inn and Restaurant

Tuesday, April 11, 2000

**Morning**

A. Welcoming Remarks

B. Keynote Speakers

1. Slovenian Host
2. US Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Environmental Security)  
Gary Vest

C. Environmental Management of Military Lands

1. Integrating an environmental program into defense activities
  - o US-Swedish joint work on Environmental Guidelines for the Military Sector and Model Work Program
  - o Importance of environmental program that integrates, plans, and budgets
2. Hazardous waste management and pollution prevention
  - o Managing hazardous materials and hazardous wastes
  - o Solid waste management: waste minimization and recycling
  - o Environmental aspects of military equipment life cycle

**Afternoon**

3. Managing Military Activities within Watersheds
  - o Collaboration Between International Organizations and Militaries
  - o Spill prevention and response
  - o Environmental quality of harbors and naval shipyards (SCOPE: Alternatives to creosote pilings; minimizing environmental impact from dredging; dredge spoils management)

**Evening**

Dinner

Wednesday, April 12, 2000

**All day**

Site visit to the Slovene Army central Training area in Postojna and the Cerknica Lake.

**Evening**

Dinner

Thursday, April 13, 2000

**Morning**

4. Opportunities for Regional and Bilateral Cooperation
  - o Case study: Cooperation on addressing environmental aspects of reusing former military lands
  - o Examples of Bilateral Cooperation
  - o Regional Environment Center (Budapest) activities
  - o European Union activities
  - o Organization for Security and Cooperation activities
  - o Southeastern Europe Cooperative Initiative activities

D. Breakout session: Environmental Management in Southeastern European Militaries Discussion points:

- o Current environmental capabilities in military
- o Needs
- o Opportunities for Cooperative Activities (military-to-military, interagency, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, etc.)

[Lunch during breakout sessions]

E. Three breakout groups report on key findings and recommendations to plenary

F. Wrap-up by 1600hrs