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- A scientific and technical organization for the study of peatlands and peat -

## IPS Commission II

### Industrial Utilization of Peat and Peatlands for Horticulture, Energy and other Economic Purposes

#### Agenda

#### Commission II Meeting

Riga, Latvia

Radisson Blue Hotel Latvia Conference Center

Tuesday, 26 August 2014

Start 09:00; Close 12:00

The meeting will be held in conjunction with the International Peat Technology Symposium 25-29 in Riga. To learn more about the symposium program go to [www.peat2014.lv](http://www.peat2014.lv)

- 1 Welcome
- 2 Anti-trust reminder (written proposal to be approved: see attachment)
- 3 Adoption of the agenda
- 4 Adoption of the minutes of IPS Comm. II meeting on 20 June 2013 in Leiden
- 5 Country overview of the peat production season (country reps asked to give brief overview)
- 6 Status quo 3<sup>rd</sup> IPS Commission II Survey on the use of growing media constituents
- 7 IPS budget and industrial fees (to be presented by Hannu Salo)
- 8 Peat, pressure groups, politics and public
  - General discussion on the overall situation and future perspectives
- 9 Certification of peat and growing media
  - RPP certification for horticulture peat
  - DEFRA certification for responsibly sourced and manufactured growing media
  - VERIFLORA certification update
- 10 CSPMA Social Responsibility Report
- 11 Brief information on joint IPS/EPAGMA activities
- 12 EUR 3.85 million “European Expertise Center for Peatlands and Climate” to open October 2014 in Wagenfeld, Lower Saxony, Germany
- 13 Outlook – 6<sup>th</sup> ISHS/IPS Symposium: “Sustainable Production and Use of Growing Media and Compost”, 7-11.Sept. 2015, Vienna, Austria
- 14 Revision of EU Fertilisers Regulation 2003/2003

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- 15 The EU EcoLabel for Soil Improvers and Growing Media
  - 16 Election of a 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-Chair for Commission II
  - 17 To confirm members of / propose new members to the C II Steering Group
  - 18 Next meeting
  - 19 Other business

Gerald Schmilewski  
(Chair IPS Commission II)