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1. Draft Programme for the ENSI Annual General Meeting ACTION

As readers are aware, the ENSI Annual General Meeting will take place from 16 – 18 March 2006. Please find attached a draft programme. If you are not attending personally, and would like to add an item to this agenda, or would like to make a specific input on any of the issues raised please contact the secretariat, with a short note on the item, by 17 February.

For those national coordinators who have not already done so, please return the financial template distributed in the previous issue of the internal mailing and the registration form by 31 January 2006, at the latest.

2. Contract with the UNESCO Commission in Switzerland – your support is requested, ACTION

ENSI has been invited to support the UNESCO Commission in Switzerland with the development of its website on Education for Sustainable Development. We have agreed to provide references of a selection of key publications and teaching materials from outside Switzerland in the sphere of ESD. The secretariat would be very grateful if you were able to complete the short table below for each publication/ example of teaching material (either international or from your country) that you feel would be useful to include on this Website. Please note that the secretariat will send information on all relevant ENSI/SEED publications and a link with our website, so there is no need to send these.

TITLE:

AUTHOR:

YEAR OF PUBLICATION:

LANGUAGE:

TARGET GROUP: *(adults, children, education level- preschool, primary, secondary, higher education, etc)*

SUMMARY: *(In the original language, or link to a relevant webpage with a summary)*

NOTE ON WHERE THE PUBLICATION / MATERIALS CAN BE ORDERED/ IS AVAILABLE:

Many thanks for your cooperation on this. The work with the Swiss UNESCO Commission is a very tangible example of partnership in practice. Moreover, all the references received will also be highly useful for the ENSI's work and will be acknowledged. We would be grateful if you could let us have your input by 28 February 2006 at the latest.

3. Entry into force of the Carpathian Convention, INFO

2005 marks the entry into force of the Carpathian Convention, following ratification by the Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovak Republic and Ukraine. Readers will remember that ENSI has been working closely with the UNEP office in Vienna with regard to developing a capacity building project with the Carpathian countries in relation to Article 13 of the Convention focusing specifically on education. Günther Pfaffenwimmer is leading on this work and would welcome interest and support from ENSI members to advance the project. Please contact Günther directly on guenther.Pfaffenwimmer@bmbwk.gv.at

4. Brief on State of Play re. 7th EU Framework Programme on Research and Development (2007-2013) ACTION

Following the adoption of the 7th Framework Programme, in April last year, the European Commission adopted in autumn the second stage of the process – the so-called Specific Programmes. The Programmes on Socio Economic Sciences and the Humanities has as its objective ‘ Generation an in – depth shared understanding of complex and interrelated socio-economic challenges confronting Europe, such as growth, employment and competitiveness, social cohesion and sustainability, quality of life, education, cultural issues and global interdependence, in particular with the view of providing an improved knowledge base for policies in the fields concerned. The third stage of the process will now begin – the preparation of detailed research agendas which will be the basis of the future work programme and calls for proposals. Consultation is taking place with the scientific community. If you would like to input on this, more information on the preparation of FP7 can be found at

<http://www.cordis.lu/fp7>

Please inform the secretariat in order to prepare a co-ordinated ENSI response

reflecting the priorities of the ENSI strategic plan.