



At the invitation of the hosting country Norway the participating prosecutors and other representatives of the ENPRO member states convened from the 29 September until 30 November 2017 for their annual meeting in Oslo, Norway.

The president of ENPRO Dr. Ewald Brandt recalled the conclusions of the previous meetings and overviewed the ENPRO cooperation with other organisations within 2016/2017.

Conclusions:

1. Manual on Prosecuting Environmental Crime in the Baltic Sea Region (Manual)

All ENPRO members review the sections of the Manual referring to their country and report needed modifications to the hosting country Norway by the 31st of January 2018. Afterwards the updated version will be published on the websites of the Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS) and the Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission (HELCOM).

2. Database of Pollution Cases

ENPRO continues building up a database of pollution offences cases. Members report their cases regularly by at least three weeks before the annual ENPRO meeting to the hosting country. The meeting discussed that two cases per country would be welcomed.

3. Typical Environmental Crimes in the Member States of ENPRO

The participants recommend for the next annual meeting the issue "Typical Environmental Crimes in the Member States". The topic seems to be meaningful because prospective threats for the environment need to be identified betimes.

4. Cooperation with other Organisations

The meeting emphatically welcomes the closer cooperation with the Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS) and hopes to intensify the relations. President will clarify particulars.

ENPRO continues the ongoing cooperation with the North Sea Network of Investigators and Prosecutors (by attending each other's annual meetings and informing about the current activities).

5. Contact List

The hosting country Norway will update the contact list and will submit it to all members.

6. Annual Meeting 2018

The next annual meeting will take place in Oslo/Norway. It should be aimed for a date in September 2018.

Norway considers giving a presentation on "General Prevention Policies".

7. Annual Meeting 2019

The annual meeting 2019 will be hosted by Poland. Regarding to the presentation of the Polish delegation (Activities of the Natural Preserve HEL) and the following discussion the participants expressed that they would welcome a presentation of practical experience of the Natural Preserve HEL as part of the meeting. The meeting should be aimed for a date in June 2019.