On the Topic of Environmental Principles and Criteria

Working Group III

Key Issues for Frankfurt

- In GHG Emmissions Issues:
- The Access for Water should also be addressed apart from Availability and Quality
- In Water management Plan; its not easy to be resolute on the matter of the indicator for % of available water consumed in bioenergy production especially in the case of developing countries.

- The Soil Quality Additionally needs "Soil Biological Status" and we suggest for its inclusion in Section 5.4.3
- In the topic of Use of Energy and Mineral Resources: the optimal use of energy and mineral resources should be justified by explicitly describing the input energy resources as "derived from Conventional Energy Resources"

 On the section of Waste Management Plan: Designated and Suitable Areas are only required to Store Litters or Waste" or additionally to Handle or Process them.

Regional Similarities

- Waste management Plan
- Compliance with national laws
- Mindset of people
- Low Priority to Environmental issues

Regional Differences

- Differences in Biodiversity Regionally
- Cultural Practices of People
- Trade and Commerce
- Infrastructure
- Literacy Rate

The Role of Standards in the Market

- So far there is no significant role in the south asian Context
- Energy Deficiency a serious Issue

Other issues

- Environmental and Ecological Security –to be Highly Prioritised
- Ensurance of Implementation of Standards