



The 24th SRA-Europe Conference

Science, Policy and Society

Bridging the gap between risk and science

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The 24th conference of the Society for Risk Analysis

Maastricht, the Netherlands, **15th-17th June 2015**

Participants are invited to reflect on critical directions in risk science as well as the promises and challenges of developing science-informed policy. The meeting will be a platform for those interested in all aspects of risk analysis to communicate, collaborate and envisage new methodologies for risk analysis and risk management. SRA-E emphasises the European dimension in the promotion of interdisciplinary research and education, and in practical application in industry and Government.

Keynote Speakers

- **Prof. Maarten Hajer**, University van Amsterdam, and Director of the Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency (PBL)
- **Prof. Ellen Peters**, Professor of Psychology and Director of the Behavioral Decision Making Initiative at The Ohio State University
- **Dr. Bernhard Url**, Executive Director, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
- **Prof. Wiebe Bijker** (Maastricht, MUSTS) and **Prof. Ragnar Löfstedt** (King's College London, KCRM) will chair the plenaries.

Focal Risk Topics

- Science-informed risk decisions
- Evidence and risk
- Risk policy and regulation
- Risk Governance
- Decision-making and uncertainty
- Risk perception, behaviour and communication

Participation

SRA-E provides a platform for industrialists, policy makers and academics to discuss the 'state of the art' and future directions in the study of risk analysis, to understand concerns about the risk from both public and scientific perspectives, to promote efficient risk mitigation and to develop effective risk communication. This conference is an opportunity for risk analysts to come together to discuss issues, problems, goals, solutions and future research questions. Each conference day will open with a plenary session with keynote presentations, followed by parallel sessions and symposia dedicated to specific topics.

Important dates

- Deadline for submission of abstracts and symposia: **20 January 2015**
- Deadline for submission of optional full-length papers: **1 June 2015**

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