



EVENT INVITATION

Help or hindrance?

Reforming offsetting rules in European Climate policy

This event is kindly hosted by Linda McAvan MEP (S&D), Bas Eickhout MEP (Greens/EFA)
& Peter Liese MEP (EPP)

Thursday 29th November – 13.00-14.30

BRUSSELS – European Parliament – Altiero Spinelli – Room A3H1

Please come and join *Sandbag* and *Carbon Market Watch* (formerly *CDM Watch*) at this event which will investigate how international offsets from Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), and Joint Implementation (JI) projects are being used in the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), as well as explore practical options to reform offset usage to maintain the incentives and environmental integrity of Europe's flagship climate policy.

The event coincides with the launch of Sandbag's "Offsetting in the EU ETS" 2012 report- and related online map which gives a detailed up to date overview of how offsets are being utilised in the EU ETS and where they are being sourced.

Please see the reports page of our website for a copy of the report and the accompanying press release: www.sandbag.org.uk/reports.

The event will also act as a platform to debate wider issues related to offsetting including additionality, sustainability criteria and offsets for state level compliance by EU member states.

Chair: Linda McAvan **MEP (S&D)**

Speakers:

- Bas Eickhout **MEP (Greens/EFA)**
- Peter Liese **MEP (EPP)**
- Thomas Bernheim, **International Carbon Market, Aviation & Maritime, DG Clima**
- Baroness Worthington, **Director, Sandbag Climate Campaign**
- Lambert Schneider, **Carbon Market Expert**
- Valentin Bellassen, **Research Unit Manager, Carbon Offsets, CDC Climat**

N.B. The registration deadline for those needing an accreditation pass for the European Parliament is 09.00 on Friday 23rd November

Please register for this event by filling in the online registration form [HERE](#) or by emailing james@sandbag.org.uk