

**Side Event: Piloting the development and implementation of national-level joint activities between the Rio Conventions**

Thursday October 18th

13:15-14:45

Rio Pavilion

*Lunch will be Provided*

**Dominique Benzaken (IUCN)** Examples from Islands

**Melanie Heath (Birdlife International)** Examples from Sub-saharan Africa

**Annalien van Meer (CREM)** Guide to Sustainable Islands Economies – an initiative of the Netherlands and Bonaire

**TBC** Examples from New Caledonia

**Peter Herkenrath (UNEP-WCMC)** Promoting synergies through national reporting processes

**Karin Zaunberger (EC)** The EC BEST Initiative, Funding for Biodiversity-Climate Change Links and Others

