

Special Session CEE 2018 Conference - in response to a request to submit an abstract:

Title: *'High level science advice for policy in Europe – the EU's Scientific Advisory Mechanism'*

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Abstract: *The European Commission's Scientific Advice Mechanism (SAM) exists to provide sound independent scientific advice for EU policies, matching the demands of the European Commission for scientific evidence and advice with the best available science. In doing so it draws on a range of methods to review and synthesise evidence and knowledge to provide timely advice to senior decisions makers on important policy matters. Most of the topics addresses by SAM are environmentally themed. This presentation introduces the SAM, explains the challenges posed to it, and the methods and the associations it uses to meet these challenges.*

For further information on the SAM, its outputs and its on-going topics, follow the link to <https://ec.europa.eu/research/sam/index.cfm?pg=home>

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