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#### PREFACE

Growing population and increasing wealth are incentives for further growth of the agricultural production in all parts of the world. The potential drawback of growth of the agricultural production is an increase in the pollution of the terrestrial and aquatic environment by nutrients, pesticides and trace elements as it has occurred in developed countries worldwide since 1950s. Environmental directives of the European Union (EU), for example, the Nitrates Directive (ND), Groundwater Directive (GD) and the Water Framework Directive (WFD), aim at reducing the impact of agriculture (ND) and other sectors (GD, WFD) on the aquatic environment. EU member states are obliged to make programmes of measures to abate and reduce environmental pollution.

Programmes of measures are the outcome of a political process involving science, policy, stakeholders and interest and pressure groups. Governments use programmes of measures to reach pre-defined environmental goals, such as good water quality. Programmes of measures contain obligation for actors, e.g., farmers, owners of nature areas or drinking water supply companies. Governments evaluate and adapt these programmes regularly. The success of implementation of these programmes depends, amongst others, on the acceptance of the programme of measures by the actors, advice and education, controls and enforcement.

The conference aims to discuss the entire policy cycle for water quality improvement. This cycle includes problem recognition, formulation of technical options, the process of policy development, interaction with policy makers, stakeholders and pressure groups, policy implementation, monitoring and research. This conference also aims to intensify contacts, on the one hand, between scientists with a background in natural sciences and scientists with a background in social and economic sciences and, on the other hand, between scientists, water managers and policy makers. In short, the objectives are:

- to provide forum for exchange of scientific knowledge, research on system knowledge, modelling and uncertainty;
- to discuss the entire policy cycle for water quality improvement;
- to intensify contacts (a) between soil/water related scientists, agro related scientists, social scientists, ecological scientists and economists, and (b) between scientists, water managers and policy makers.

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We wish you a fruitful and enjoyable stay in Vienna.

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