



Dr. Zita Gellér

Dr. Zita Gellér is Chief Strategic Coordinator at the Hungarian Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Environmental Development and Policy. She is responsible for coordination of environmental education and ESD programs of the ministry, also dealing with sustainable development issues. She is the EIONET NFP since May 2019 and alternate member of EEA MB. She serves as NFP and Board member of the UN 10YFP on SCP. She is the Hungarian member of the Green Spider Network, the environmental communication network of the EU environment ministries and agencies since 2001.

Dr. Zita Gellér has been dealing with sustainable development on national, EU and UN level since 2003. She has been working on environmental education and awareness raising since 1991 and on education for sustainable development (ESD) since 2005, acting as the Hungarian member of the UN ECE Steering Committee on ESD, representing the environmental field.

Dr. Zita Gellér coordinated the preparation of the first National Sustainable Development Strategy of Hungary in 2007. She worked as the national focal point for UN CSD between 2003 and 2012 and prepared the national reports for the UN Commission on Sustainable Development (UN CSD) biannually from 2002 to 2010 and coordinated Hungary's preparation for the UN Conference on Sustainable Development ("Rio+20").

Dr. Zita Gellér took part in the elaboration of the UN ECE convention on access to information, public participation in decision making and access to justice in environmental matters (UN ECE Aarhus Convention).

Jobs held in current institution:

- 2018 Sept - **Ministry of Agriculture**, Department of Environmental Development and Strategy - Chief Strategic Coordinator
- 2014 Oct - **Ministry of Agriculture**, Division of Project- and Strategic Coordination - Chief Strategic Coordinator
- 2014 Jan - **Ministry of Rural Development** – State Secretariat for Environment - Chief Advisor on sustainable development and international environmental policy
- 2012-2013 **National Institute for Environment**, Director General's Secretariat - Head of International Relations (February 2012 – December 2013)

- 2010-2012 **Ministry of Rural Development**
State Secretariat for Environment - Chief Advisor (from December 2011)
EU Coordination Department - Chief Advisor
Deputy Chair of the Working Party on International Environmental Issues (WPIEI Global) during the Hungarian EU Presidency (2011 January-June)
- 2002-2010 **Ministry for Environment and Water**
State Secretariat for Environmental and Climate Policy - Chief Advisor (from June 2009)
Strategy Department - Head of Division (from August 2006)

Department for International Environmental Policy - Deputy Head of Dept. (from September 2003)

Department for International Environmental Policy - Head of Division (from March 2003)
- 1998-2002 **Ministry for Environment**

Department for Sustainable Development - Head of Division (from January 2001)

Unit of Civil Organizations - Head of Division (from October 2000)
- 1991-1998 **Ministry for Environment and Spatial Planning**

Department of Stakeholder Relations - Senior Counsellor, from March 1996 (Head of Division from February 1997)

Department for Research and Education - Senior Counsellor, (from December 1991)

Dr. Zita Gellér has a BSc in Landscape Architecture, University of Horticulture Budapest (1982) and Ph.D. degree at the University of Horticulture and Food Industry Budapest (1999). She took the Qualification Exam in Public Administration in 2000.