LIFE Climate Action and Environment workshop programme – Latvia

9.00 – Registration, tea/coffee and networking

10.00 - Welcome and overview of the day (Representative of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development)

10.05 - National background and context for LIFE (Ilze Prūse, Director of the Climate and Environmental Policy Integration Department)

> *Covering: national political messages/policy context, previous/current involvement in LIFE, related climate priorities and initiatives*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

10.35 – Viewing of promotional video

10.40 – Introduction to LIFE programme 2014 - 2020 and the Environment sub-programme (Ms Pardo Lopez, DG Environment European Commission)

> *Covering: Policy context, legal structure of LIFE, basic information on call for proposals (i.e. timetable, application tools and documents available).*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

11.10 – Introduction to LIFE Climate Action (James Medhurst, ICF GHK)

> *Covering: main features and benefits of LIFE Climate Action, including objectives, target beneficiaries, priority areas, project types, funding mechanisms, etc.*

12.00 – Networking and tea/coffee

12.15 – Detailed information on the call for proposals – guidance to applicants (Ms Pardo Lopez, DG Environment European Commission)

> *Covering: timetable, key guidance and procedures, application form, e-application tool (inc. demonstration?), where & how to get support, key steps in preparing an application*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

13.30 – Lunch and networking

14.30 – New aspects: Integrated projects and financial instruments (Ms Pardo Lopez, DG Environment European Commission)

> *Covering: concept of integrated projects, good practice project examples, financial instruments*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

15.15 – LIFE project presentations (James Medhurst, ICF GHK)

> *Covering: 3 project examples*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

16:00 – Closing words (Ilze Prūse, director of the Climate and Environmental Policy Integration Department)

> *Covering: any final reminders, any outstanding questions.*

> *Opportunity for Q&A*

16:15– End