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SCORE! (Sustainable Consumption Research Exchanges) is an EU-funded network project that supports the UN's 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP). It runs between 2005 and 2008, consists of 29 institutions, and aims to involve and coordinate a larger community of several hundred professionals in this field, in the EU and beyond.

The SCORE! philosophy assumes that sustainable consumption and production structures can be realised only if experts that understand **business development, (sustainable) solution design, consumer behaviour and system innovation policy** work together in shaping them. Furthermore, this should be linked with experiences of actors (industry, consumer groups, eco-labelling organisations) in real-life consumption areas: **Mobility, Agro-food and Activities around the home** (Housing/Energy use). These areas are responsible for 70% of the life-cycle environmental impacts of Western societies. Consequently, the work in the project was organised as follows:

- The *first phase* of the project (marked by a workshop co-organised with the European Environment Agency [EEA] in Copenhagen, April 2006) aimed to convene a positive conjunction of conceptual insights, developed in the four aforementioned science communities, of how 'radical' change in SCP can be governed and realised
- The *second phase* put the three consumption areas centre stage. SCORE! work package leaders inventoried cases 'that work' with examples of successful switches to SCP in their field

The results of the SCORE! project will form the first four volumes of a new series on 'System Innovation for Sustainability', published by Greenleaf Publishing, which aims to bundle insights from the science community in the field of SCP for policy-making. This first book is the fruit of the first SCORE! workshop, organised by RISØ (a national laboratory at the Technical University of Denmark) and TNO (Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research) with support from the EEA and the European Topic Centre on Waste and Resource Management (ETC-WRM), and which took place on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 April 2006 in Copenhagen, Denmark. Selected, edited papers by the del-

egates have been complemented by review papers by the SCORE! team on each science domain. Additional chapters on the concept of SCP, and an integrated view of the governance of change in SCP, makes this one of the first comprehensive books discussing systemic change towards SCP. The three follow-up books will discuss change in SCP in the domains of food, mobility and housing.

The output of the SCORE! network has been much more extensive than we ever could have dreamed of at the start of the project. This reflects the fact that so many more people than expected made active contributions to the SCORE! events. The breadth of contributors and the excellence of their contributions illustrate this fact well, and present a clear indication that SCORE! is a viable network above and beyond the EU's period of financial involvement.

The SCORE! Coordination Team, January 2008