

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY IN ALBANIA

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The main objectives:

- Legislation approximation with EU directives;
 - Low enforcement;
 - Institutional strengthening;
 - Sustainable administration of environment, natural resources and biodiversity,
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EPR Recommendations on:

- 1. Policy framework and sustainable development;**
 - 2. Recommendations to the low enforcement;**
 - 3. Recommendations to information and public education;**
 - 4. Recommendations for the implementation of international agreements;**
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Legislation approximation:

- Low for environmental protection; (Full approximated with eu directive)
- Low for EIA; (Full approximated with eu directive)
- Low on environmental permit; (Full approximated with eu directive)
- Low for integrated management of waste; (Full approximated with eu directive, include and hazard waste)
- Low for water reserves; (Full approximated with eu directive)
- Low for biodiversity etc. (in force);
Low on hunting, moratorium of hunting for tow year
Strategy for environment, 2015-2020,
Strategy for waste management (in force)
- National action plan for waste, 2010 (In force)

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Low enforcement:

- **Implementation of principle “Polluter pay”;**
- **Transparent and public participation in EIA process;**
- **Cross border collaboration and exchange information**
- **Reorganization of national inspectorate for environment and forest; (NIEF)**
- **Establishment of National Agency for the Protected Area (NAPA) (organized in 12 regions)**
- **Reorganized of National Agency for Environment**
- **Reorganized of Forest servis in regional level;**

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Integrated Waste management :

1. Landfill construction (according to EU standard);
2. Reduce the waste generation (public education,),
3. Reuse the waste;(improving the technology for reuse as a raw material, including incentives)
4. Recycling of waste (support for the business focus on recycling as : paper, metal, wood, textile and plastic recycling)
5. Energy production from waste (first incinerator in Albsnia)

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Energy sector. The priorities:

- **About 80% of the demands for the energy is sure by hidro energy;**
- **Energy efficiency ;**
- **Removable resource of energy**
 - a) water energy; (3 main hydro power plant and more then 50 small and medium given by concession)
 - b) wind energy; (wind atlas, Neolithic parks in construction,)
 - c) solar energy ; (evaluation of Albanian market and incentives to promote this new technology, focus on water heating);
- **CDM project and Kyoto protocol** (Albania has DNA, Legal framework for CDM, 3 project validated in energy efficiency, solar energy, forest carbon sequestration)

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Water resources and priorities;

- Albania is very rich in water resources (six basin of the rivers; Shkodra, Ohrid and Prespa lakes; about 370 Km coastal zone ;
- sustainable use; protection of quality of the water resources;
- Well management of basin of the rivers;
- Monitoring system, functional and permanent;
- Prevention and protection of the territory from the flooding (Drini, Vjosa, devolli rivers etc.)

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The main priority on Biodiversity:

- **Increasing of protected area** (actually 17 % of the territory objective 20 %);
- **Protection of biodiversity**, (Flora and Fauna,)
- **Protection of landscape and natural monuments** (Albania has about 370 Natural monuments,)
- **Protection of natural ecosystems especially** (wetlands ecosystems as are Kune vain, Patok, Karavasta, Narta lagoons)
- **Cross Border lakes and cross border collaboration** (Shkodra, Ohri, Prespa lakes):
- **Integrated Costal Zone Management marine biodiversity protection** (Albania has actually only one marine protected area Karaburun) ;
- **Preparation and implementation of management plan for protected area and especially for the national parks.**

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Forest and policy related with this sector:

- Reforestation;
- Rehabilitation of damaged area;
- Sustainable use of forest resources;
- Ecosystems services;
- Enforcement of measure for the protection from fire.
- Decentralization of forest administration sector (on 2016 all forest fund will be transfer to the 61 municipalities.) ;
- **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT** “ECOSYSTEM SERVICES) financed by GEF 4 Mil.US\$, WB 10 Mil US\$, SIDA 10 Mil.Euro);
- Enforcement of forest extension service;

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International collaboration:

Albania is party of several convention and protocols focus on :

- biodiversity,
- climate change,
- chemicals,
- hazardous waste,
- ozone depletions;
- endangered species protection,
- bio safety etc.
- Biodiversity;
- Land degradation;
- Etc.

Thank you

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