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Working Group on Environmental Monitoring and Assessment

Agenda Item 6: Sharing and integration of economic, social and environmental data with regard to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

United Nations Development Account project on improving environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.



Improving environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda

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Duration

January 2018-
December 2021



Target countries

Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia



Main objectives

- To strengthen capacities of national environmental authorities and statistical agencies to collect, produce data in accordance with SEIS
- To improve accessibility and use of regularly updated and high quality environmental indicators, within the framework of SEIS, to respond to international indicator-based reporting obligations, including monitoring progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

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Planned Activities 2018-2021

- Development of 7 **gap analysis reviews** (1 per target country) on SEIS establishment, environmental data and information to cover the production of regional/international environmental indicators. Development of **national workplans or roadmaps** to enhance national SEIS establishment
- 7 **national training sessions** (1 per target country) to streamline the production of regionally and internationally agreed environmental data flows and indicators
- **Advisory missions** by UNEP and UNECE to support in regular environmental monitoring and assessment as part of preparing national roadmaps to monitor SDGs
- 7 **national capacity-building workshops** (1 per target country) to improve the institutional knowledge base for data collection standards and the use of monitoring and assessment tools for regular indicator-based assessments to measure progress towards the environment-related SDGs
- 2 **regional capacity-building workshops** with participation of all 7 target countries
- Development of **guidelines** on addressing specific human and institutional capacity needs
- Development of a **SEIS e-learning platform**

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Next steps for 2019

- Finalisation of the 7 **gap analysis reviews**, pending revisions based on comments from the target countries.
- Development of **national workplans or roadmaps**, following the finalization of the gap analysis reviews
- **National training sessions**, as based on the recommendations in the gap analysis reviews.

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Thank you!

