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ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TOOLS: CASE STUDY BY

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PILOT ONLINE POLLUTANT RELEASE AND TRANSFER REGISTER (PRTR) REPORTING SYSTEM

<http://prtr.kz>

I. Description

▪ 1. Brief description:

In order to support implementation PRTR, RSE on REM “Informational and Analytical Center of Environmental Protection” of the Ministry of Ecology, Geology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan with the support of UNITAR developed pilot ONLINE PRTR reporting system (Internet portal) that displays a map of Kazakhstan with all entities that submitted the report.

While the portal is working in test mode, much attention is paid to its development and improvement.

The site has three options. The first option is for view the main page with the Kazakshtan map, where the entities, that provided reports, marked with icons.

The second option allows viewing a list of enterprises that have provided reporting. Following information is available: name, location and emissions of pollutants.

The third site option provides access to reference materials.

▪ 2. Type: [governmental, non-governmental, municipal, other] **Governmental**, **Non-Governmental**

▪ 3. Scope: [international, sub-regional, national, local] National

▪ 4. Working language(s): Kazakh, Russian

▪ 5. Target users: Public

▪ 6. Starting year: 2016

▪ 7. Budget and funding source: THE UNITAR

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II. Implementation

▪ 9. Policy, legal and institutional context: encourage government and other stakeholders to improve PRTR system

- **10. Partner organizations involved:** THE UNITAR, RSE on REM “Informational and Analytical Center of Environmental Protection” of The Ministry of Ecology, Geology And Natural Resources of The Republic of Kazakhstan, Public Fund «The Center «Cooperation for Sustainable Development»
 - **11. Stakeholders involved, their expected benefits:** Governmental and Non-governmental organizations, enterprises
 - **12. User needs and methods of their assessment:** PRTR reporting portal available for stakeholders
- III. Evaluation
- **Results:** The pilot ONLINE PRTR reporting system
 - **Efficiency gains:** Implementation of a reporting system, integration with other reporting systems
 - **Risks:** Online system works only in pilot version
 - **Lessons learned:** The pilot ONLINE PRTR reporting system (PRTR database portal) was created in order to encourage governments and other stakeholders to share technical and PRTR data, providing access to environmental information.
 - **Overall assessment of the tool:** The pilot ONLINE PRTR reporting system finalized considering recommendations collected during the seminars, educational trainings, and lectures. The system received high positive feedbacks from public.