

**THE UNECE CONVENTION ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS (AARHUS CONVENTION)**

**TASK FORCE ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

**ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TOOLS: CASE STUDY BY SPAIN**

***APP OF THE “ENVIRONMENTAL PROFILE OF SPAIN REPORT”***

**I. Description**

**1. Title:** App of the “Environmental Profile of Spain report”

**2. Brief description:** The Environmental Profile of Spain 2014 is an indicator based report prepared by the Directorate-General of Environmental Quality and Assessment and Natural Environment (National Focal Point of the European Environment Agency in Spain) of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and the Environment together with the EIONET NETWORK. This report aims at offering an overview of the environmental situation in Spain, providing disaggregated information by autonomous communities and with references to the European Union. Since the 2012 edition, the publication is available for mobile devices.

**3. Link(s) to electronic information tool(s) (if available online) or the description:**

- **Android OS (Google Play):**
  - **Smartphone:** <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.tragsatec.mobile.PAE>
  - **Tablet:** <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.tragsatec.mobile.paeHD>
- **iOS (App Store):**
  - **iPhone:** <https://itunes.apple.com/es/app/perfil-ambiental-de-espana/id720148791?mt=8>
  - **Ipad:** <https://itunes.apple.com/es/app/perfil-ambiental-de-espana-HD/id725540935?mt=8>

**4. Type (governmental, non-governmental, municipal, others):** Governmental

**5. Scope (international, sub-regional, national, local):** National and regional

**6. Working language(s):** Spanish

**7. Target users:** The general public

**8. Starting year:** 2012

**9. Budget and funding source:** MAGRAMA, Ministerio de Agricultura, Alimentación y Medio Ambiente (Spanish Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment)

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## **II. Implementation**

### **11. Policy, legal and institutional context:**

- Directive 2003/4/EC of the European Parliament and of the council of 28 January 2003 on public access to environmental information and repealing Council Directive 90/313/EEC (DOUE n° 41, de 14/02/2003).
- Convention on access to information, public participation in decision-making and access to justice in environmental matters – Declarations. Official Journal L 124 , 17/05/2005 P. 0004 - 0020

**12. Partner organizations involved:** Ministry and the Spanish EIONET Network of the European Environmental Agency

**13. Stakeholders involved, their expected benefits:** General public

**14. User needs and methods of their assessment:** Internet access

**15. Technology choice:** Internet / Data connection in mobile devices

## **III. Evaluation**

**16. Results:** increased dissemination of the report

**17. Efficiency gains:** facilitates access to environmental information and reduce the time consuming in informing general public

**18. Risks:** None

**19. Challenges encountered (please indicate resolved or not):** Improve the information supplied and the presentation of the information

**20. Lessons learned:** The information provided by key messages facilitates the process of informing the general public and non-expert public

**21. Conditions for successful replication:** Updated and verified information is essential. Adequate software development is also needed.

**22. Overall assessment of the tool:** Highly positive