

UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

PART I. Planning

1. Project title and project number:

Strengthening the implementation of the UNECE Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia

2. Expected timing/ duration: 11 December 2012- 09 December 2017

3. Objective and brief summary of the project:

The project is aimed to strengthen the implementation and ratification of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP) and its protocols in countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia by raising awareness about the negative effects of air pollution, building national capacity to implement the agreements, providing policy advice on legislation adjustment and improving access to relevant information in the mentioned countries. In particular, the project activities will include:

- Organisation of awareness-raising meetings with national authorities of the beneficiary countries;
- Preparation and dissemination of information materials, publications and the website maintenance;
- Organisation of workshops on emission inventories and reporting obligations in accordance with the Convention's requirements, as well as identifying emission reduction targets;
- Support to participation of national experts from beneficiary countries in the workshops and meetings under the Convention;
- Organisation of legislation analysis and related consultations or advice on elaborating actions plans, prioritizing actions in ratification and implementation of the CLRTAP and its protocols.

4. Expected results of the project:

E.A.1. Increased political profile of the Convention and raised awareness among decision-makers of the beneficiary countries on environmental and health effects of air pollution;

E.A.2. Improved access of the beneficiary countries to information and tools on air pollution abatement and their strengthened involvement in emissions reporting, monitoring and modelling activities under the Convention;

E.A.3. Increased ratification of the Convention and its Protocol on Long-term Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP), the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the Protocol on Heavy Metals and the Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone (Gothenburg Protocol).

5. Target group and beneficiaries of the project:

The beneficiary countries are the UNECE member States in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. The target group comprises the national environmental authorities, decision-makers responsible for development of policy related to air pollution abatement and technical experts involved in the process of collecting, processing and reporting of emission data.

6. Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:

The project is part of the Convention workplan for 2014-2015 (see items 4 and 5.2.2 in ECE/EB.AIR/122/Add.2). It contributes to reaching strategic goals and priorities for the Convention, as specified in its Long-term Strategy (ECE/EB.AIR/106/Add.1, paras 16 (a), (k) and (n)), adopted by Parties in December 2010. It responds to the demands for support, as expressed by countries in their letters to UNECE. The project is directly linked to the expected accomplishments (b) "Strengthened implementation of UNECE regional environmental agreements", and (c) "Strengthened national capacity for environmental monitoring and assessment systems in the countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, Central Asia and South-Eastern Europe" of Sub-programme 1. Environment in the UNECE Strategic Framework for 2014-2015, and to the expected accomplishments (b) "Strengthened implementation of ECE multilateral environmental commitments and increased geographical coverage", and (c) "Strengthened national capacity for environmental monitoring and assessment systems in the countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and South-Eastern Europe" of Sub-programme 1. Environment in the UNECE Strategic Framework for 2016-2017.

7. Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff):

0.5 month of RB (P5) staff time, 0.5 month of RB (P4) and 0.5 month of RB (P3) staff time per year

8. Estimated extra budgetary resources:

<i>Donors</i>	<i>Amount</i>
European Union	EUR 900,000 (multiple instalments)

9. Project Manager:

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12.01.2015

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Date

12. Approved by EXCOM¹:

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Date

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex

Results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project

Part I. Planning (to be filled in before submission to EXCOM)		Part II. Implementation (to be used for reporting on progress in the implementation of the project in real time) ^{1,2}	
Expected accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (EUR)	Implemented activities ³ Actual expenditures ⁴ (EUR)
E.A.1. Increased political profile of the Convention and raised awareness among decision-makers of the beneficiary countries on environmental and health effects of air pollution	A1.1 – Organisation of awareness-raising meetings with national authorities of the beneficiary countries; A1.2 – Preparation and dissemination of information materials, publications, the website maintenance	50,000 140,000	
E.A.2. Improved access of the beneficiary countries to information and tools on air pollution abatement and their strengthened involvement in emissions reporting, monitoring and modelling activities under the Convention	A2.1. – Organisation of workshops on emission inventories and reporting obligations in accordance with the Convention's requirements, as well as identifying emission reduction targets A 2.2 - Support to participation of national experts from beneficiary countries in the workshops and meetings under the Convention targeted to building their capacities	340,000 170,000	

¹ The secretariat shall inform EXCOM in case of unexpected developments or serious problems of any kind in the project implementation.

² Questions from member States on project implementation will be forwarded to the secretariat.

³ Relevant information should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity and include the following:

- (a) For an advisory service (including at a workshop/seminar/training organized by other organizations): title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlink(s) to presentation(s) and other relevant documents;
- (b) For a workshop/conference/training organized by UNECE: title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlinks to the meeting agenda, list of participants, presentation(s) made by UNECE, conference documents, training materials and reports;
- (c) For a consultancy: project expenditures; hyperlinks to the consultancy ToR and main outputs (study, report, training material, presentation, etc.) produced by the consultant/s;
- (d) For other outputs not included under bullet points above: hyperlink to relevant documents.

⁴ Relevant financial information – certified by the Executive Office - should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity.

E.A.3. Increased ratification of the Convention and its Protocol on Long-term Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP), the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the Protocol on Heavy Metals and the Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone (Gothenburg Protocol)	A3.1 Organisation of legislation analysis and related consultations or advice on elaborating actions plans, prioritizing actions towards ratification and implementation of the CLRTAP and its protocols	200,000	
Total (including 7% of Programme Support Costs)		900,000	Total: