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PILOT SEA FOR THE NATIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN OF GEORGIA

Training Workshop on practical application of strategic environmental assessment in Georgia (impact assessment and mitigation measures) and Scoping Consultation Meeting

21 – 22 September, 2015

Venue: Hotel “Betsy” 32/34 Makashvili Str. 0108Tbilisi, Georgia

AGENDA

The training workshop on practical application of strategic environmental assessment (SEA) in Georgia is organised by the Georgia’s Environmental Outlook (GEO) with the support of the UNECE) and the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia in the framework of the pilot SEA for the National Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan.

The workshop is built on the results of the preliminary training workshop, held via Skype in August 2015 and aims to:

- Raise awareness of various stakeholders about SEA procedure developed under the new national legislation,
- Support the implementation of a Pilot SEA of the National Waste Management Action Plan, initiated by the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia in order to test the draft law “Environmental Assessment Code of Georgia”.

The participants of the workshop will get familiar with the procedural aspects of SEA, the roles of various authorities and civil society in the SEA process, environmental assessment methods applicable to the level of strategic planning and approaches to the preparation of an SEA report.

The event will gather representatives from environmental and health authorities, as well as the experts preparing the National Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan.

The workshop will be delivered by the experienced consultants to the UNECE. The workshop will deploy the format of interactive sessions with elements of practical case-based work.

The participants of the training workshop are also invited to take part at the scoping consultation meeting to provide their feedback regarding preliminary findings of the SEA of the National Waste Management Action Plan. The consultations will be chaired by Ms. Maia Bitadze, the Deputy Minister of Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia, and will be held at the Hotel “Betsy” on September 22, 2015 (13.00 – 17.10). For detailed information regarding the scoping consultation meeting please see separate agenda.

Day 1: Monday, 21st of September

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| 9.00 – 9.30 | Registration of participants |
| 9.30 – 9.35 | Opening the Meeting Welcome of the participants <i>Ms. Tamar Sharashidze, Heads of Environmental Permits Department, Ministry of Environment and Resource Protection of Georgia (tbc)</i> |
| 9.35 – 9.45 | Introduction to the workshop objectives and agenda Introduction of the UNECE pilot SEA project: SEA for the National Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan <i>Ms. Irma Melikishvili, National SEA Team Leader</i> |
| 9.45 – 10.00 | Introduction of the participants <i>Facilitated by Ms. Irma Melikishvili, National SEA Team Leader</i> |
| 10.00 – 10.40 | SEA process: Key elements and actors <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 10.40 – 10.50 | Scoping in SEA: Identification of the environmental and health issues to be addressed in the assessment, methods and tools <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 10.50 – 11.10 | Coffee break |
| 11.10 – 11.50 | Overview of the scoping stage for the WMAP of Georgia: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key findings• Main challenges and difficulties• Scope for further SEA analyses <i>To be presented by the national SEA experts: Ms. Elena Bakradze, Ms. KetyMateshvili, Ms. Nia Giuashvili, Ms. Tamar Kvantaliani, Mr. Giorgi Gafrindashvili, Mr. Giorgi Natroshvili, Mr. IrakliKaviladze</i> <i>Follow-up discussions to be facilitated by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 11.50 – 13.00 | SEA analytical methods I: Overview of methods, examples from other countries and/or sectors <i>Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 13.00 – 14.00 | Lunch break |
| 14.00 – 15.30 | SEA analytical methods II: Methods application for to SEA in the waste management sector <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |

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| 15.30 – 15.50 | Coffee break |
| 15.50 – 17.00 | Analysing alternatives in SEA: Problems, possible approaches <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 17.00 – 17.30 | Wrap-up and agenda for Day 2 |

Day 2: Tuesday, 22st of September

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| 09.30 – 09.45 | Summary of Day 1: Participants' feedback and expectations for Day 2 <i>Facilitated discussion by Ms. Irma Melikishvili, National SEA Team Leader</i> |
| 09.45 – 10.40 | Identifying mitigation measures and designing the monitoring scheme: Preparation of effective inputs to decision making process <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 10.40 – 11.20 | How to prepare the SEA Report <i>Presentation and facilitated discussion by Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Consultants to UNECE</i> |
| 11.20 – 11.35 | Coffee break |
| 11.35 – 12.30 | Preparation for the Scoping Consultation Meeting <i>(to be presented by national SEA experts with feedback from Mr. Michal Musil and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku)</i> |
| 12.30 – 14.00 | Lunch break |
| 13.00 – 17.10 | Scoping Consultation Meeting (Details are provided in separate agenda for the event) |