

Practical application of SEA in the renewable energy sector

Start-up workshop: SEA scoping and baseline analysis

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Planning further steps for SEA Pilot

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Who is who...

- Main beneficiaries are the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources and the State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Resources
- SEA will be carried out by the team of the national and international experts
- Coordinated by the Regional Environmental Centre Caucasus, Branch Office in Azerbaijan
- UNECE representatives will supervise the whole process

Inputs and cooperation needed

- **Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources**
 - Following the SEA process in order to meet all legal and administrative obligations
 - Use SEA pilot for ‘testing’ the SEA procedure as stipulated by the draft EIA/SEA Law
 - Providing data and information regarding relevant environmental aspects
 - Attending regular meetings with the SEA team
- **State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Resources**
 - Providing feedback on SEA findings and recommendations
 - Attending regular meetings with the SEA team


Inputs and cooperation needed


- SEA national experts
 - Inputs to the scoping report (following conclusions from the scoping workshop)
 - Inputs to the SEA report (considering comments received during scoping consultations)
 - Facilitation of discussions at the meetings and consultations
- SEA international experts
 - Methodological back-up and coordination
 - Supporting national experts at the key meetings
 - Quality review of interim outputs


Inputs and cooperation needed

- REC Caucasus, Branch Office in Azerbaijan
 - Management of SEA process
 - Arranging practical aspects (rooms, interpreting etc.)
- UNECE representatives
 - Quality control of the entire SEA process
 - Attending the key meetings in Azerbaijan

Stages of SEA Pilot

1. Scoping and baseline analysis: March – May 2015
2. Impacts analysis and formulation of mitigation measures:
May – July 2015


Inputs to planning and decision-making???
3. Drafting SEA Report: July – August 2015


Inputs to planning and decision-making???
4. Consultations on draft SEA Report: September 2015


Inputs to planning and decision-making???

Communication

- **Two formal workshops on**
 - Scoping and baseline analysis
 - Draft SEA Report
- **Informal consultations**
 - MENR
 - State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Resources
 - Health authorities
 - Other relevant stakeholders as identified in scoping

Legal requirements

- How to comply with the draft EIA/SEA Law?
- How to meet existing requirements (State Ecological Expertise)?

Next tasks

- Summarize finding from the scoping workshop: SEA team, until March 13, 2015
- Prepare the first draft scoping report: SEA team, until April 30
- Scoping consultations: SEA team in cooperation with MENR and the State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Resources, May 2015
- Workshop on impact assessment and mitigation measures: SEA team, June 2015

Questions, comments?

Thank you for your attention!