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Training workshop on practical application of strategic environmental assessment for representatives of executive authorities and local self-government authorities in Ukraine

25-26 October 2016

Venue: Congress-hotel "Puscha", Puscha-Vodytsia,
20 M. Yunkerova str., Kyiv, Ukraine

Background

The training workshop on practical application of strategic environmental assessment (SEA) in Ukraine is organized by the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine in cooperation with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the project "Partnership for Local Economic Development and Democratic Governance" (PLEDDG¹) within the framework of the EU-funded Programme 'Greening the Economies in the Eastern Neighborhood' (EaP-GREEN). The logistical support is provided by Law-Making and Information Technologies Institute NGO (Ukraine).

The two-day workshop will gather up to 35 participants and is targeted at the representatives of the regional (Oblast) and local (city) planning authorities of four Oblasts of Ukraine, i.e., Vinnytska, Zaporizhska, Ivano-Frankivska, and Poltavaska Oblasts, that are part of the PLEDDG, as well as at the environmental and health authorities from the regional administration of these four oblasts. The PLEDDG involves the preparation of city/town development plans in various sectors, and envisions undertaking SEAs for most of these plans. The EaP-GREEN endeavors to support the capacity building of the planning authorities that will be directly engaged in the implementation of the SEA component of the PLEDDG.

¹ The PLEDDG (2015-2020) aims to strengthen Ukraine's municipal sector by increasing capacities of Ukrainian cities to advance local democracy and economic development via enabling environment for entrepreneurship and local economic development, by facilitating decentralization of authorities and by supporting integrated development planning at the local, regional and national level (including SEA application). The PLEDDG is implemented by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and funded by Global Affairs Canada.

The objectives of the workshop are:

- to raise awareness and build capacities of regional environmental and health authorities, and regional and local planning authorities from four Oblasts of Ukraine involved in the PLEDDG's SEA component, on the SEA procedure as per the Law of Ukraine on SEA;
- to raise awareness and build capacities of regional environmental and health authorities and regional and local planning authorities from four Oblasts of Ukraine involved in the PLEDDG's SEA component, on the SEA process under the Protocol on SEA to the Convention of Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention);
- to discuss the content of the Draft SEA Guidelines prepared within the framework of EaP-GREEN and to gather feedback on its feasibility within the national context; and
- to enhance the capacities of the regional environmental and health authorities and regional and local planning authorities from four Oblasts of Ukraine involved in the PLEDDG's SEA component in undertaking the scoping as per the Law of Ukraine on SEA and Draft SEA Guidelines.

Thus, as a result of the workshop, the participants will get familiar with:

- the SEA procedure as required by the Law of Ukraine on SEA and the Protocol on SEA;
- the roles and responsibilities envisioned by the Law on SEA as well as recommended by the SEA Guidelines following the best international practice;
- selected methodological aspects of SEA; and
- the SEA scoping procedure and approaches to the preparation of the SEA scoping reports.

During the workshop, the participants will be also invited to discuss the draft SEA Guidelines for Ukraine and thus contribute to its improvement.

The workshop will be delivered by the UNECE, the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine, UNECE SEA international consultants, national environmental experts from PLEDDG's, and Law-Making and Information Technologies Institute NGO (Ukraine).

Day 1: Tuesday, 25 October 2016

9.30 – 10.00	Registration of participants
10.00 – 10.15	<p>Opening the Meeting and welcome of the participants</p> <p><i>Ms. Lesya Karnaukh, Head of Department of Strategic Environmental Policy, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Volodymyr Buchko, Head of Legal Department, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Elena Santer, EaP GREEN Project Manager, UNECE Secretariat to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment</i></p> <p><i>Igor Lepyoshkin, chief expert on local governance and development in PLEDDG</i></p>
10.15 – 10.25	<p>Introduction to the Protocol on SEA and EaP GREEN Programme</p> <p><i>Ms. Elena Santer, EaP GREEN Project Manager, UNECE Secretariat to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment</i></p>
10.25 – 10.35	<p>Introduction to PLEDDG and its SEA component</p> <p><i>Igor Lepyoshkin, chief expert on local governance and development in PLEDDG</i></p>
10.35 – 11.05	<p>Presentation of the participants and determining their expectations</p> <p><i>Moderator - Galina Sierova, Project Coordinator, NGO "Law-Making and Information Technology Institute"</i></p>
11.05 – 11.10	<p>Introduction to the workshop objectives and agenda</p> <p><i>Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, National SEA Team Leader and International SEA Consultants to UNECE</i></p>
11.10 - 11.30	<p>Introduction to the Protocol on SEA and SEA internationally: use, prevalence, perception and benefits</p> <p><i>Ms. Elena Santer, EaP GREEN Project Manager, UNECE Secretariat to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and its Protocol on SEA</i></p>
11.30 - 11.50	Coffee break
11.50 – 12.20	<p>Main requirements of Law of Ukraine “On Strategic Environmental Assessment”: SEA’s definition, objects, stages, relationship between the CEO, EIA and ecological expertise</p> <p><i>Natalia Trofimenko, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of Ukraine</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion</i></p>

12.20 – 13.00	<p>Exercise 1: Is your draft public planning document subject to SEA?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tasks - Work in pairs/groups - Presentation of results <p><i>Instructors: Natalia Trofimenko (lead), Olexandr Tarasenko, Gennadii Marushevsky Vyacheslav Potapenko, Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku</i></p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch break
14.00 – 14.50	<p>Exercise 2: What projects or public planning documents requires EIA or SEA?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives • Work in groups • Presentation of results <p><i>Instructors: Natalia Trofimenko (lead), Olexandr Tarasenko, Gennadii Marushevsky Vyacheslav Potapenko, Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku</i></p>
14.50 – 15.20	<p>The strategic planning process and the integration of SEA into the process of strategic planning: national requirements and practical considerations</p> <p><i>Natalia Trofimenko and Olexandr Tarasenko, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of Ukraine</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion</i></p>
15.20 – 16.10	<p>Setting the scope of SEA (scoping): national requirements and international practice (role of the planning authorities, consultation): national requirements and practical considerations</p> <p><i>Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, National SEA Team Leader and International SEA Consultants to UNECE</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion</i></p>
16.10 – 16.20	Coffee break
16.20 – 17.20	<p>How to prepare the terms of reference for SEA: practical considerations</p> <p><i>Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, National SEA Team Leader and International SEA Consultants to UNECE</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion</i></p>
17.20 – 17.40	Wrap-up and agenda for Day 2

Day 2: Wednesday, 26 October 2016

09.30 – 10.00	<p>Summary of Day 1: Participants' feedback and expectations for Day 2</p> <p><i>Reflection on the results of Day 1</i></p> <p><i>facilitated by Ms. Natalia Trofimenko and Dr. Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku,</i></p>
10.00 – 10.50	<p>Methodology of SEA on the basis of Ukrainian experience (initial data analysis, target analysis, environmental impact assessment, identification of alternatives, the step-wise incorporation of the SEA results)</p>

	<i>Dr. Gennadii Marushevskiy, Local Environmental Consultant to PLEDDG</i> <i>Presentation and discussion</i>
10.50 – 11.10	Coffee break
11.10-12.00	Exercise 3: Elements of SEO methodology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives • Work in groups • Presentation of results <i>Instructors: Gennadii Marushevsky (lead), Alexander Tarasenko, Natalia Trofimenko, Vyacheslav Potapenko, Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku</i>
12.00 – 12.30	SEA Report: national requirements and practical considerations <i>Dr. Vyacheslav Potapenko, Lead Author and National SEA Expert to UNECE and welcome of comments on the Guidelines</i> <i>Presentation and discussion</i>
12.30 – 13.10	The participation of the competent authorities, the public and stakeholders in SEA <i>Olexandr Tarasenko, Deputy Head of International Activities and European Integration Unit - Head of the Division of multilateral and bilateral agreements, international commitments, the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine</i> <i>Presentation and discussion</i>
13.10 – 14.10	Lunch break
14.10 – 15.10	Exercise 4: Public participation and stakeholders in SEA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives • Work in groups • Presentation of results <i>Instructors Olexandr Tarasenko (lead) Vyacheslav Potapenko Natalia Trofimenko, Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Gennadii Marushevsky</i>
15.10– 16.00	Taking into account the SEA results in strategic documents (in Ukraine: public planning documents): national requirements and practical considerations <i>Vyacheslav Potapenko, lead author of the Methodological recommendations of SEA in Ukraine and the National expert on SEO UNECE</i> <i>Presentation and discussion</i>
16.00 – 16.50	Exercise 5: Integrating SEA in strategic planning process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives • Workshop - group work • Presentation of results <i>Instructors: Vyacheslav Potapenko (lead), Olexandr Tarasenko, Natalia Trofimenko, Maia Gachechiladze-Bozhesku, Gennadii Marushevsky</i>
16:50 - 17.30	Final remarks and closure of the workshop