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Workshop on transboundary environmental impact assessment for Central Asian countries

2 November 2017

to be conducted together with the representatives of the countries of the Caucasus and Eastern Europe¹ Hotel Glebovka, Kiev region, Ukraine

09:00 – 09.45 Introduction of the participants

Aims of the meeting

Brief introduction to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Protocol on SEA)

Ms. Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat to the Espoo Convention) and the Protocol on SEA

09:45 – 10:00 Short introduction of the delegations from the Caucasus and the Eastern Europe

Introduction to the case study on transboundary SEA in energy sector for the participants from the Central Asia

Facilitated by Elena Santer, UNECE

10:00 – 11:00 Case study on transboundary SEA in energy sector

Representatives of the countries of the Caucasus and Eastern Europe will present the results of their assessment of the case study carried out based on their national legislative framework.

Representatives from Central Asian countries will be invited to provide observations regarding the proposed transboundary procedure and reflect on feasibility of application of proposed approach to SEA in the Central Asian subregion.

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert, Maia Gachecheladze Bozhesku, UNECE consultant and Elena Santer, UNECE

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30 Case study on transboundary SEA in energy sector (continuation)

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert, Maia Gachecheladze Bozhesku, UNECE consultant and Elena Santer, UNECE

12:30 – 13:00 Concluding session on transboundary SEA

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert

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¹ The Caucasus countries include: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia; the countries of Eastern Europe for the purpose of this document include: Belarus, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine; the countries of Central Asia – Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan.



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13:00 -14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 14:20 Developing national legislation on environmental impact assessment (EIA) and SEA, Part i.

Overview of the legislative developments in the countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and Eastern Europe (10 minutes)

Presentation: Elena Santer, UNECE

Main legislative 'dilemmas' including differences between EIA and SEA legislative frameworks

Presentation: Jerzy Jendroska (10 minutes)

14:20 - 15:30 Developing national legislation on EIA and SEA, Part ii.

Exchange of experiences between the countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and Eastern Europe

Countries of Central Asia will be invited to present an overview of their EIA related legislative frameworks outlining recent or planned developments (following the home assignment).

Countries of the Caucasus and Eastern Europe will be invited to share their experiences with the legislative reforms in EIA and SEA, outlining the process of the legislative reforms and the content of EIA and SEA legislation, including institutional arrangements for EIA and SEA, field of application, screening, scoping, preparation and quality control of EIA and SEA reports, consultations with the relevant authorities and public at the national level and in the transboundary context.

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert, Michal Musil, UNECE consultant and Elena Santer, UNECE

14:30 – 15:30 Exchange of experiences between the countries of the Caucasus, Central Asia and Eastern Europe (continued)

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert, Michal Musil, UNECE consultant and Elena Santer, UNECE

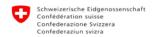
15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:25 Developing national legislation on EIA and SEA, Part iii.

Lessons learned from the legislative reforms carried out in the countries of the Caucasus, Eastern Europe and Central Asia since 2013 and the way forward Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert, Michal Musil, UNECE consultant and Elena Santer, UNECE

17:25–17:30 Closing of the day

Facilitated by Elena Santer UNECE secretariat



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| 09:00 - 09:15 | Reflections on the day | 1 |
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Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat to the Espoo Convention and its Protocol on SEA

09:15 – 10:15 Case example on transboundary EIA consultations in Central Asian countries (oil refinery)

- Introduction to the assignment
- Preparation of country's presentations

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert and Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat

10:15 – 11:00 Case study on transboundary EIA in Central Asian countries (oil refinery)

- Presentations by the countries and discussion, Part i.

Facilitated by Maia Gachecheladze-Bizhesku, UNECE consultant Feedback by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert and consultants to

UNECE

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30 Case study on transboundary EIA in Central Asian countries (oil refinery)

- Presentations by the countries and discussion, Part ii.

Facilitated by Maia Gachecheladze-Bizhesku, UNECE consultant Feedback by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert and consultants to

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12:30 – 13:00 Concluding session on transboundary EIA consultations in Central Asian countries

Facilitated by Jerzy Jendroska, international legal expert

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Guidelines on EIA in a Transboundary Context for Central Asian countries, Part i.: overview of the activities carried out so far and review of the content of

the Guidelines

Presentations by Zhanel Karina, Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation and Andriy Andrusevich, international legal expert Facilitated by Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:00 Guidelines on EIA in a Transboundary Context for Central Asian countries, Part ii.: Discussion on the way forward

Facilitated by Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat and Andriy Andrusevich, international legal expert

17:00 – 17:30 Concluding session

Facilitated by Elena Santer, UNECE secretariat and Jerzy Jendroska, international



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