

# REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

1. National reporting on the progress achieved in the implementation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development offers a valuable opportunity for countries to learn from each other and to share newly produced resources and materials within and beyond the ECE region.
2. In preparation for the thirteenth meeting of the ECE Steering Committee on Education for Sustainable Development, countries are requested to fill in the questionnaire below, reporting on progress made and challenges encountered in implementing the selected three priority action areas since the twelfth Steering Committee meeting (Geneva, 20-21 April 2017).
3. Additional sub-section in this questionnaire refers to the alignment of the national strategies for ESD with the Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development, contributing to the implementation of the 2030 Development Agenda in terms of achieving the SDG 4.7 on education and as an instrument to achieving all 17 SDGs.
4. Countries are kindly requested to submit this information in writing to the secretariat via e-mail (esd@unece.org) by **15 March 2018**.
5. The secretariat will review all the information submitted and deliver a synthesis presentation at the Steering Committee's thirteenth meeting. The presentation will be followed by an interactive discussion.
6. Recognizing the importance of celebrating champions of education for sustainable development, Steering Committee members are in particular invited to indicate if there are any outstanding initiatives on the implementation of the priority action areas in their countries that they wish to share and/or present. Countries might also wish to report on how the implementation of the national strategies for ESD contributes to the achievement of the Goal 4.7 and the 2030 Agenda at the national level, and also on mainstreaming gender aspect in the national ESD policies.

## **Questionnaire for 2018 informal country<sup>1</sup> reporting on the implementation of the three “vertical” priority action areas<sup>2</sup>**

### **Advances made and challenges encountered since the twelfth Steering Committee meeting in April 2017**

#### **I. Priority action area (a)**

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*Encouraging whole-institution approaches by establishing education for sustainable development school plans, or embedding education for sustainable development in existing school plans, for every school by 2019*

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#### **1. Has the number of schools adopting a “whole-institution approach” to sustainable development or education for sustainable development (ESD) increased?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
  - Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this
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<sup>1</sup> Countries with a federal structure are free to provide several inputs or questionnaires from different states or entities, if appropriate.

<sup>2</sup> See framework for the future implementation of the UNECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development (ECE/BATUMI.CONF/2016/11), subparas. 20 (a)-(c). Available from <http://www.unece.org/environmental-policy/environment-for-europe/efe-conferences/batumi-conference/documents-and-materials.html>.

*topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic*

**2. Have any (additional) incentives and assistance measures (guidelines, award scheme, funding, training, technical support) been made available that support ESD school plans?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
- *Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic*

**3. Are staff and students in schools with ESD plans more environmentally and ecologically aware than staff and students in schools without ESD plans?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
- *Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic*

**4. Are there any recently produced materials or resources that are accessible to a wider audience (e.g., online)?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify and, if applicable, indicate the language and website address*

**5. Have you implemented or are you planning to implement any assessments or evaluations that will measure the impact of the actions taken to date in this area?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
- *Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic*

**6. Additional comments on implementing the UNECE Strategy for ESD in your country (please specify, if any):**

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## **II. Priority action area (b)**

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*Promoting the extension of education for sustainable development in teacher education and in the training of all educators*

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**1. Has there been any significant advancement made with regard introducing or extending ESD as a part of educators' initial training?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
- *Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic*

**2. Have there been any significant advances made with regard to introducing or extending ESD as a part of educators' in-service training?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
  - *Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your*
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country on this topic

**3. Are beginning teachers who have been in teacher education that has introduced ESD more likely to teach from a sustainability perspective?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**4. Are there any recently produced materials or resources that are accessible to a wider audience (e.g., online)?**

Yes  No

- Please specify and, if applicable, indicate the language and website address

**5. Have you implemented or are you planning to implement any assessments or evaluations that will measure the impact of the actions taken to date in this area?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**6. Additional comments on implementing UNECE Strategy for ESD in your country (please specify, if any):**

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**III. Priority action area (c)**

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Strengthening technical and vocational education and training in support of sustainable development and the transition to a green economy

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**1. Has there been advancement towards a structural reorientation of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) towards ESD?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**2. Have any incentives and assistance measures been made available that support the reorientation of TVET towards sustainable development?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**3. Are students who have been in TVET oriented to sustainable development finding jobs related to sustainable development?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**4. Are there any recently produced materials or resources that are accessible**

**to a wider audience (e.g., online)?**

Yes  No

- Please specify and, if applicable, indicate the language and website address

**5. Have you implemented or are you planning to implement any assessments or evaluations that will measure the impact of the actions taken to date in this area?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
- Please indicate if you wish to make a presentation on this topic or if there is an outstanding initiative in your country on this topic

**6. Additional comments on implementing UNECE Strategy for ESD in your country (please specify, if any):**

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#### IV. Monitoring SDG 4 (Targets 4.7 and 4.a)

*SDG 4: "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all"*

*Target 4.7: "By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development."*

*Target 4.a: "Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all"*

(Note: According the UNESCO methodology (see report "Historical efforts to implement the UNESCO 1974 Recommendation on Education in light of 3 SDGs Targets, <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0024/002472/247275E.pdf>), the agreed global indicator measures the extent to which (i) global citizenship and (ii) education for sustainable development, including gender equality and human rights, are mainstreamed at all levels in: (a) national education policies, (b) curricula, (c) teacher education and (d) student assessment.)

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**1. Does your country have a stand- alone "sustainable development", "global understanding", "international understanding" policy/plan/law in place, all of them using "sustainable development" language?**

Yes  No

- Please specify
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*On 25 September 2015, at the Sustainable Development Summit, 193 UN member states have adopted Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development which includes 17 Sustainable Development Objectives (ODD).*

*<http://mecc.gov.md/ro/content/obiectivele-de-dezvoltare-durabila-0>*

**2. Is ESD reflected in your country's current education policy/ies and frameworks?**

Yes  No

- Please specify to what extent
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**In the educational institutions was introduced the optional discipline "ecological education"**

**3. Is ESD reflected in your country's current school curricula?**

Yes  No

- Please specify to what extent
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**4. Is ESD reflected in the curriculum of pre-service and/or in-service teacher training?**

Yes  No

- Please specify to what extent

**5. Which of the following dimensions of learning is your country planning to reinforce in student assessment/examinations in the next five years, in relation to ESD? (please tick all that apply)**

(a) Knowledge

Yes  No

- Please specify

(b) Skills and competencies

Yes  No

- Please specify

(c) Values and attitudes

Yes  No

- Please specify

(d) Behaviours

Yes  No

- Please specify

(e) None

Yes  No

- Please specify

(f) No information available

Yes  No

- Please specify

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**6. Are the other core elements of the Target 4.7 part of education in your country?**

– Sustainable lifestyles

Yes  No

– Human rights

Yes  No

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- Gender equality  
Yes  No
  - Promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence  
Yes  No
  - Global citizenship  
Yes  No
  - Appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development  
Yes  No

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
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**7. Additional comments on implementing SDG Goal 4.7 in your country (please specify, if any):**

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**8. Is Target 4.a (see above) part of education policy in your country?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
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**9. Is climate change education/environmental awareness mandatory at any level of education in your country?**

Yes  No

- *Please specify*
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