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At the beginning of the year 2008 Chief Inspectorate of Environmental Protection (CIEP) has started preparation of the next state of environment report in the form of “mosaic report”. This report is being prepared in collaboration with 16 voivodeship inspectorates of environmental protection (VIEP). The mosaic report will be composed of 16 parts concerning state of environment in each voivodeship (provinces) and summary presenting state environment in Poland, basing on State Environment Monitoring System’s and Central Statistic Office’s data for the years 2000-2006. The state of environment will be presented in indicator-based manner, in the following arrangement: pressure, state and response for each topic.

The following thematic areas will be covered:

- Information about each region and socio-economic aspects
- Air protection
- Water protection
- Environmental noise
- Protection of land cover
- Waste management
- Nature protection.

In the parts concerning responses for each thematic area case studies and good practices will be presented.

To standardize information for each voivodeship CIEP has selected 34 obligatory indicators and prepared guidelines to report production process, which assure that indicators will be easily comparable between voivodeships.

In the part concerning state of environment in Poland international comparisons will be used as it was done in the previous report “The state of environment in Poland vs. European Union objectives and priorities. Indicator report 2004”.

CIEP is planning to finalize the report by the end of November this year.