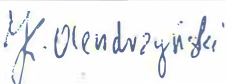




**UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE
TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM**

Project title and project number: Strengthening the implementation of the UNECE Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (Phase III)	
Expected timing/ duration: 1 January 2022 – 30 June 2023	
Objective and brief summary of the project: The overall objective of the project is to strengthen the implementation and ratification of the Convention and its protocols in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA). Activities to support EECCA in implementing the Convention during the current project period (2019 - 2021), especially with regard to reporting emissions inventories, have led to significant progress. As a result, the number of emissions reports submitted by the beneficiary countries has increased significantly over the past years. In terms of quality of submissions, countries have improved their capacity to compile emission inventories, but in most cases, submissions still do not fully meet the requirements of the Convention. In particular, most inventories lack coverage of complete time series, various key categories, projections and gridded data. The planned activities under the project are designed to address the gaps and obstacles identified and to strengthen the coordination and information-sharing within the region. The objective of the project will be achieved by implementing the following activities: A1.1. Conduct two in-country training workshops for national experts in countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (venue to be confirmed based on the requests from the beneficiary countries) on further improvement of emission inventories, including calculation of gridded data, explanations tailored to national needs on estimating base year emission levels, emission reduction targets and developing projections; A2.1. Support to the organization of at least 4 meetings of the EECCA Coordinating Group to enable information exchange among its participating countries (including meetings of the Group in the margins of the regular sessions of the Executive Body and the Working Group on Strategies and Review). Project activities are linked to the current Action Plan for Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia countries adopted by the Parties to the Convention and to the strategic priorities of the Convention outlined in its Long-term strategy. http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/documents/2018/Air/EB/ECE_EB.AIR_2018_1_Rev.1_1834965E.pdf The project will support target countries in their achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular SDG 3 (good health and well-being), SDG 11 (sustainable cities and communities) and SDG 12 (sustainable consumption and production).	
Expected results of the project: EA1. Strengthened technical capacity of countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia in compilation of emission inventories, including calculation of gridded data, making projections, estimate base year emissions and emission reduction targets in accordance with the requirement of the Gothenburg Protocol; EA2. Increased information exchange among participating countries through the work of the Coordinating Group on the promotion of actions towards implementation of the Convention in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia.	
Target group and beneficiaries of the project: The beneficiary countries are the UNECE member States in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. The target groups are the national experts of air quality management and teams of emission experts.	
Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work: The project directly contributes to the implementation of items 4.1 (b), (c), 4.4 and 4.5 of the Convention's 2020-2021 workplan (ECE/EB.AIR/144/Add.2) adopted by Parties. The proposed project contributes to the objective of the Environment subprogramme, as stated in the proposed programme budget for 2021, which is to improve environmental governance and performance throughout the ECE region for safeguarding the environment and human health (A/75/6 (Sect. 20)). Specifically, the project hence relates to item B: Generation and transfer of knowledge: Seminars, workshops and training events, listed under Subprogramme 1: deliverables for the period 2019–2021, by category and subcategory. Forty-first session of the Executive Body will take place on 6–10 December 2021 and is expected to approve the Convention's 2022-2023 workplan.	
Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff): 0.3 month of RB/P4 staff time for the duration of the project	
Estimated extra budgetary resources:	
Donors Russian Federation	Amount (USD) 202,000
Project Manager: Krzysztof Olendrzynski Environmental Affairs Officer  07.06.2021	Section/Division: Environment Division 
Cleared by Programme Management Unit: Nicolas Dath-Baron OiC of PMU  03.06.2021	Approved by EXCOM¹: Part of the work programme of the UNECE Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution ECE/EB.AIR/2017/1

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision.A(65).

Annex
Results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project

Expected accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (USD)
EA1. Strengthened technical capacity of countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia in compilation of emission inventories, including calculation of gridded data, making projections, estimate base year emissions and emission reduction targets in accordance with the requirement of the Gothenburg Protocol;	<p>A1.1. Conduct two in-country training workshops for national experts in countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia (venue to be confirmed based on the requests from the beneficiary countries) on further improvement of emission inventories, including calculation of gridded data, explanations tailored to national needs on estimating base year emission levels, emission reduction targets and developing projections:</p> <p>Staff and personnel costs: P3 x 3 months x 15,500 \$</p> <p>Staff and personnel costs: G5 x 1.5 months x 10,500 \$</p> <p>Consultants: 2 international consultants x 5,000\$ x 2 months;</p> <p>Travel of staff: 2 missions x 1 staff x 1,900\$;</p> <p>Travel of consultants: 2 missions x 2 consultants x 1,900\$;</p> <p>Contractual services (interpretation, venue, etc)</p> <p>Operating and other direct costs</p>	<p>103,250</p> <p>46,500</p> <p>15,750</p> <p>20,000</p> <p>3,800</p> <p>7,600</p> <p>3,600</p> <p>6,000</p>
EA2. Increased information exchange among participating countries through the work of the Coordinating Group on the promotion of actions towards implementation of the Convention in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia	<p>A2.1. Support to the organization of at least 4 meetings of the EECCA Coordinating Group to enable information exchange among its participating countries (including meetings of the Group in the margins of the regular sessions of the Executive Body and the Working Group on Strategies and Review)</p> <p>Staff and personnel costs: P3 x 1-month x 15,500\$</p> <p>Staff and personnel costs: G5 x 1-month x 10,500\$</p> <p>Travel of staff: 1 mission x 1 staff x 1,500\$</p> <p>Travel of Chair of EECCA CG: 1 participant x 4 meeting x 3,000\$;</p> <p>Travel of participants: 1 mission x 20 participants x 1,400\$</p> <p>Contractual Services (interpretation, venue, etc)</p> <p>Operating and other direct costs</p>	<p>73,741</p> <p>15,500</p> <p>10,500</p> <p>1,500</p> <p>12,000</p> <p>28,000</p> <p>2,741</p> <p>3,500</p>
Budget summary		176,991
13% UN Programme Support Cost		23,009
1% for coordination levy		2,000
Total (rounded)		202,000