



United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Working Group on Environmental
Monitoring and Assessment

Reporting to the progress made in Environmental
Monitoring and Assessment at the national level

This questionnaire has been designed to collect information on the results of major actions taken by the countries in environmental monitoring and assessment since the previous meeting of the Working Group (6-7 May 2019). The objective is to evaluate to which extent and how your country progressed in environmental monitoring and assessment, including through using the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) and the regular production of quality environmental indicators at the national level. The Working Group could then identify the needs of your country to be addressed in the future to underpin regular reporting and assessments, in accordance with international monitoring and assessment requirements and obligations.

The main aims of the questionnaire are to:

- Determine if the countries regularly produce environmental reports, analyses and assessments, including through using environmental indicators and SEIS
- Ensure that monitoring networks are upgraded or modernized, and that data quality assurance and control mechanisms and data management are in place or improved where needed, in particular for water, air and soil monitoring and data management
- Follow improvements in national environmental policy reflecting all three SEIS pillars (content, infrastructure and cooperation)
- Capture the implementation status of relevant recommendations made in national environmental performance reviews (EPRs)
- Foresee the challenges to be addressed by the Working Group in the years to come regarding institutional, regulatory mechanisms and infrastructure at the national level

If you wish to receive further information, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on WGEMASec@un.org.

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Has your country produced any environmental report, analysis or assessment on environmental information and indicators, including via the use of SEIS, since May 2019?

Yes No

Please specify which environmental report, analysis or assessment has been produced and provide the link to the website if available.

Environmental report, analysis or assessment

The draft of the National Report on the State of Environment 2015-2018 (SoER)

<http://www.mediu.gov.md/ro/content/indicatori-de-mediu>

Please note the main changes that have been made to improve the work of national monitoring networks, in particular on air, water and soil.

Changes

Was extended the surface water quality monitoring network with another 6 monitoring locations,
thus ensuring the identification of the ecological status of another 6 water bodies from the 2 hydrographic districts of the country.

Was continued the endowment of the Environmental Reference Laboratory with analysis equipment, with the support of the European Union's Water Plus Initiative (EUWI +) Program.

Was created the Waste Laboratory within the Environment Agency.

What types of improvements have been made in your country to enhance data quality assurance, control and data management?

Improvements

Was approved the list of UNECE indicators to be applied at the national level.

Within ENI SEIS II East project were elaborated and approved for further use the national indicator evaluation templates designed on EEA's methodology following UNECE guidelines.

Was agreed an initial institutional cooperation set up for data collection, validation, indicator assessment, public consultations and publication of the indicators and national report on the state of the environment.

The National Implementation Team has extended the indicators list from 7 to 39 (UNECE core-set) based on the national statistics and monitoring data on environment; The indicators assessment is available online for the public on the national Environment Agency's website of the Republic of Moldova.

Was elaborated the draft of the National Report on the State of Environment 2015-2018 (SoER) (Romanian version), an indicator-based report, using the methodology developed by Slovak Environmental Agency in cooperation with EEA.

Was elaborated the draft of the Concept of the Integrated Environmental Information System.

Which improvements in data policy, institutional and regulatory mechanisms and technical solutions have been applied in your country to facilitate and improve data exchange between the parties concerned (ministries of environment, environment agencies and ministries of agriculture, energy, health, industry, transport and water) and with other users, including the public?

Mechanisms and solutions

Was approved by the Government Decision no. 211 of 03.04.2019 on the interoperability platform (MConnect)

Was approved by the Government Decision no. 354/2020 on some measures to implement the project "Modernization of government services"

Was approved by the Government Decision no. 413/2020 for the approval of the Regulation on the use, administration, and development of the Government Citizen Portal.

Has your country made any changes in data policy within the last year?

Yes	No
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If yes, please specify which changes.

Changes

Please provide a list of activities undertaken by your country to implement the recommendations on environmental monitoring and assessment made in previous national environmental performance reviews (EPRs).

Recommendations

What do you think are the main challenges for your country with regard to institutional, regulatory mechanisms and infrastructure at the national level?

Challenges

To create and develop the Integrated Environmental Information System

To develop the data policy, institutional and regulatory mechanisms and technical solutions to be applied to facilitate and improve environment data exchange between the parties.

Strengthening institutional capacities by equipping the Environment Agency with a Mobile Laboratory for intervention in case of exceptional pollution.
