

# Analysis of the national legislation of Kazakhstan for harmonization with the requirements of the UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention

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- Implemented from mid-2020 with funding from the Russian Federation, from August 2020 to December 2022
- Reflects current situation
- Offers recommendations for bringing legislation in line with the requirements of the Convention in order to improve its application and enhance policy coherence and coherence, in particular in the area of disaster risk reduction.
- The analysis is aimed at strengthening industrial safety in Kazakhstan

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# RECOMMENDATIONS

Prepare amendments to the Law “On Civil Protection” in connection with the transition of Kazakhstan to the CGS classification system in accordance with the EAEU TR “On the Safety of Chemical Products”. Align the ATS identification system with Annex I and accommodation criteria in accordance with the Convention

Send notification to potentially affected parties about ATS where accidents may have negative transboundary consequences.

Support activities to identify and map tailings in transboundary river basins

Take measures to prevent accidental water pollution, including by updating or developing joint contingency plans

Develop and agree with potentially affected states joint action plans in case of industrial accidents with potential transboundary impact

Strengthen cross-border and international cooperation in the field of prevention, preparedness for and response to industrial accidents and accidental pollution of water bodies, including at tailings and in relation to Natech risks, through information exchange and cross-border exercises

It is recommended that public involvement procedures be developed setting out the participation of the public, which may be affected by the accident (both in the country of origin and in the affected country), in access to information, as well as in the relevant administrative and judicial procedures, and in decision-making

When planning land use and making a decision on the placement of HIFs, it is recommended to rely on the norms of Art. 7 of the Convention (and its references), and it is also recommended to refer to the "Guidelines on Land-Use Planning, Location of Hazardous Activities and Related Safety Aspects" developed by UNECE

# NEXT STEPS

It is recommended to implement the recommendations to the relevant authorities of Kazakhstan, namely the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, the Ministry of Emergency Situations and other authorities involved in industrial safety and related areas

It is recommended that, in cooperation between the relevant authorities, work towards their implementation in order to further harmonize policies and legislation with the provisions of the Convention and measures to reduce the risk of man-made disasters.

## Implementation of the recommendations will contribute to:

- Strengthening the implementation of the Industrial Accidents Convention
- Implementation of the tasks of the Environmental Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- Achieving the priorities of the Sendai Framework and strengthening disaster risk reduction
- Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (3, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16)

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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