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Stakeholder Validation Workshop: Assessment of the National Waste Action Plan 2016-2020

Agenda

July 19-21
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Venue: RADISSON COLLECTION
Tsinandali, Kakheti region

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Background

UNEP is one of five partner agencies implementing a newly launched EU-funded EU4 Environment (2019 – 2022). This regional programme will support six countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, and Ukraine) in making policy planning and investment greener, stimulating the uptake of innovative products and technologies, and raising awareness about benefits of environmental action. The application of strategic approaches to waste management can assist in addressing countries' overarching waste management challenges. To this end, within EU4Environment's component 2.4 on "The use of strategic approaches on waste management" UNEP will support countries in promoting development of comprehensive sustainable waste management policies and policy instruments. Addressing countries' overarching waste management challenges, it will contribute to develop comprehensive sustainable waste management policies and policy instruments, responding to the request of countries.

Under Activity 2.4.1 Develop draft of action plan for national waste management, UNEP will provide technical assistance and stakeholder consultation in Georgia through providing a review of the existing National Waste Action Plan 2016-2020 and development of a draft National Waste Action Plan 2021-2025 for the implementation of a National Waste Management Strategy in Georgia. To assist UNEP in the implementation of the aforementioned activities, the Regional Environmental Centre was selected as an implementing organization to carry out actions under Activity 2.4.1: Develop draft of action plan for national waste management in Georgia. To that end, the meeting is organized to gather stakeholders for presenting and discussing the assessment of priorities and needs for the revision of implementation of National Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan (2016-2020) and for agreeing on the next steps for the development of a new National Waste Action Plan.

Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

Gathering the stakeholders and discussing:

1. The assessment report of National Waste Management Action Plan (2016-2020);
2. The assessment report of the current municipal waste management and infrastructure in Georgia (Baseline for the draft National Waste Action Plan 2021-2025);
3. The next steps for preparation of National Waste Management Action Plan (2021-2026).

Participants

The meeting will gather 25 participants from UN Environment Programme, EU delegation; Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Ministry of Finance of Georgia, Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs, Tbilisi Municipality, Government of Autonomous Republic of Ajara, Solid Waste Management Company of Georgia (SWMCG), EBRD, UNDP, KfW, WB, SIDA and CSOs

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (**EU4Environment**) aims to help the six partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine preserve their natural capital and increase people's environmental well-being, by supporting environment-related action, demonstrating and unlocking opportunities for greener growth, and setting mechanisms to better manage environmental risks and impacts.

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AGENDA

19 th July	Day 1
Time	Item
12,00	Arrival of Participants and Registration
12:30 -12:50	Opening, welcome remarks (Moderator Mr. Alverd Chakseliani – MEPA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bruno Pozzi - Director, Europe Office, UN Environment Programme • Mr. Solomon Pavliashvili – Deputy Minister of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia • Mr. Alexandre Darras - Attaché, Sector Coordinator Connectivity, Energy, Environment & Climate change, EU Delegation to Georgia
12:50 -13:45	Assessment of the existing National Waste Action Plan 2016-2020 Mr. Irakli Legashvili - Project lead expert
13:45-14:00	Q/A, Discussion
14:00-15:00	Lunch
15:00-15:15	Formation of working groups & introduction to the method Ms. Irma Gurguliani - Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
15:15-16:15	<u>Working groups phase I:</u> Overview of the National Waste Action Plan 2016-2020 <u>Goal: Recognize and understand achievements and main challenges related to waste</u> <u>Questions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the main achievements made within the National Action Plan 2016-2020(at list 3 the most important once) • Which are the key action points not implemented within the NAP and what are the main barriers preventing their implementation ? • What steps can your department take or are currently taking for NAP implementation ? • How should the agencies, responsible for NAP implementation should plan and organize in the future to avoid incomplete action points? Facilitators: Irma Gurguliani, Sophiko Akhobadze
16:15-16:30	Coffee Break
16:30-17:15	Reporting Back: Working group phase1 presentations
17:15-17.30	Closure of the first day of the workshop Sophiko Akhobadze - Project Coordinator
18.00	Dinner

Time	Item
20 th July	Day 2
10:00 -10:10	Opening the meeting
10:10-10:30	Assessment of the current municipal waste management and infrastructure in Georgia Mr. Irakli Legashvili - Project expert
10:30 -10:45	Q/A, Discussion
10:45-11:45	<p><u>Working groups phase II:</u> Assessment of the current municipal waste management and infrastructure in Georgia <u>Goal: Gain insight and analyse issues and areas for improvement related to the municipal waste management and infrastructure</u> Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are main achievements in terms of the municipal waste management plans , where do we stand with implementation ? • What are main achievements in terms of the municipal waste management infrastructure in past several years? • What are the key challenges and areas for improvement ? • How can waste management strategy and action plan can address key challenges and needs to improve municipal waste management infrastructure in Georgia? <p>Facilitators: Ketj Jibladze, Mikheil Kurdadze</p>
11:45-12.00	Coffee Break
12:00-13:30	Reporting Back: Working groups phase II presentations
13:30-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:45	<p><u>Working groups phase III:</u> Looking Ahead: National Waste Management Strategy 2016-2030 and Action Plan 2021-2025 <u>Goal: Identify and design the national priorities, tasks and key stakeholders for improved waste management system</u> Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How should the waste management priority areas be organized? • What main issues should the actions address? • Who are the key Stakeholders and how to design their collaboration/communication?

	Facilitators: Ketj Jibladze, Mikheil Kurdadze
15:45-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:00	Reporting Back: Working groups phase III presentations
17:00-18:00	Closure of the second day of the workshop
	Sophiko Akhobadze – Project Coordinator
19:00	Dinner

Time	Item
21 st July	Day 3
10:00 -11:00	Road map for preparation of the guideline for the National Waste Management Strategy and the National Waste Management Action Plan 2022-2026
	Sophiko Akhobadze – Project Coordinator
11:00 -12:00	Closure of the workshop
13.00-14:00	Lunch
14.15	Departure to Tbilisi