

Online Consultative Working Group Meeting in Ukraine

DRAFT AGENDA

Date: Monday, 13 September 2021
Time: 10:00-12:00 EEST/9:00-11:00 CEST

Format: web-based video conference
Platform: Zoom

Simultaneous interpretation (English/Ukrainian) will be provided. The meeting will take place in virtual format – all discussion and information documents will be circulated electronically.

Action implemented by:

Inception Consultation Workshop in Ukraine

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Background

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) is one of five partner agencies implementing an EU-funded EU4Environment Programme (2019 – 2022). This regional programme supports the Eastern Partnership (EaP) 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 supports countries in promoting development of comprehensive sustainable waste management policies and policy instruments. More specifically, under *Activity 2.4.2 Initiating/assisting the establishment of Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) schemes*, UNEP provides technical assistance to partner countries in the establishment of EPR schemes for the packaging waste streams. This will be achieved through the provision of advisory services and capacity development/trainings to policy makers, businesses and business associations, as well as Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and other stakeholders.

To this end, UNEP, in collaboration with the implementing partners, is organizing the Online Consultative Working Group Meeting in Ukraine. The meeting aims are to present the preliminary findings of the draft recommendations report for the elaboration of a draft packaging waste law in Ukraine, present and discuss the needs and priorities and agree upon the next steps for developing an effective EPR scheme in the country.

Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

- Present the findings for Ukraine from the draft regional analytical report.
- Discuss and present the preliminary findings of the draft recommendations report for the elaboration of a draft packaging waste law in Ukraine.
- Discuss the Ukrainian framework laws, draft waste management legislation and draft packaging and packaging waste legislation.
- Exchange knowledge on the current status of the Ukrainian waste management system.
- Discuss expectations from the roadmap to establish an EPR system for the packaging waste in Ukraine.

Participants

The meeting will gather relevant governmental institutions, UNEP, private sector and CSOs in Ukraine.

Practical Information

The meeting will take place virtually via the Zoom platform. All registered participants will receive connection details to access the platform. English-Ukrainian simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the meeting.

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (**EU4Environment**) programme aims to help the six partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and 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.

The Action is funded by the European Union and implemented by five Partner organisations: OECD, UNECE, UNEP, UNIDO and the World Bank based on a budget of some EUR 20 million. The Action implementation period is 2019-2022.

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Within the framework of the EU4Environment programme, UNEP provides technical assistance to partner countries in the establishment of EPR schemes for the packaging waste streams under *Activity 2.4.2 Initiating/assisting the establishment of Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) schemes*. This task is carried out by UNEP with its implementing partner - Extended Producer Responsibility Alliance (EXPRA).

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Time (EEST)	Item	Speaker	Sub topic/Content
10:00- 10:10	Opening of the workshop	Ukraine EU4Env National Focal points, TBC Ms. Irina Davis, Project Consultant, Europe Office, UNEP	-Background of the workshop -Workshop objectives
10:10-10:20	Presentation of the findings for Ukraine from the draft regional analytical report	Mr. Christodoulos Manoli, Senior Consultant, PSC	-Summary of findings of the report for Ukraine
10:20-10:40	Presentation of the preliminary findings of the draft recommendations report for the elaboration of a draft packaging waste law in Ukraine	Mr. Kyriakos Parpounas, Managing Director, PSC	-Summary of findings of the report
10:40-11:10	Questions & Answers	Participants of the workshop	-Q&A session regarding the presentations
11:10-11:40	Interactive discussion and dialogue	Participants of the workshop	- Discuss the presentation and findings of the draft recommendations report -Exchange of views and experiences
11:40-12:00	Discussion	Participants of the workshop	-Discussion on the recommendations report for Ukraine -Ukraine stakeholders' expectations from the roadmap to establish an EPR system for the packaging waste in Ukraine
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