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This document presents a consolidated manner, the revised Work Plan for the Republic of Moldova for Results 1-5 as part of the European Union for Environment Action (EU4Environment). The Work Plan contains Result 4, led by the World Bank, that was added following the completion of the contractual procedure at the end of 2020. The Plan takes into account adjustments that occurred in the first two years of implementation, including the revision of the timeline to reflect the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic (as of Dec 2020 for Results 1 -3, 5, as of Sept 2021 for Result 4). The work plan will be further revised after the Regional Assembly, taking account its decisions.

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List of acronyms

CAS	Compliance assurance system
CE	Circular Economy
DoA	Description of the Action
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EPR	Extended Producers Responsibility
EU	European Union
EU4Environment	European Union for Environment Programme
EUR	Euros
GBR	General Binding Rules
GE	Green Economy
GGI	Green growth indicators
NFPs	National Focal Points
NIP	National implementation partner
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PEF	Product environmental footprint
RA	Regional Assembly
RECP	Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production
SDG	Sustainable development goals
SEA	Strategic Environmental Assessment
SMEs	Small and Medium Sized Enterprises
SMGP	Single Market for Green Products
SPP	Sustainable public procurement
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
WB	World Bank

Introduction

This document is the revised final country-specific **Work Plan in the Republic of Moldova for 2019-2022** of the European Union for Environment programme (EU4Environment), as it was agreed in September 2019. It consolidates the activities identified for implementation in the Republic of Moldova (hereinafter Moldova) with respect to the proposals specified in the Description of the Action (DoA) for **Results 1-5**. The regional activities, involving Moldova, are covered separately by the regional work plan. The work plan for **Result 4**, led by the World Bank, was added following the completion of the contractual procedure in December 2020.

The Work Plan builds on initial commitments discussed at the EU4Environment national launch event (12 April 2019, Chisinau) and the follow-up consultations, including mapping exercise, and discussions at the EaP Panel on Environment and Climate Change (27 May 2019, Vienna) and at the EU4Environment Inaugural Regional Assembly meeting (27-28 June 2019, Brussels). It also takes into account the final comments received by 6 September 2019.

It accommodates, to the extent possible, the country requests taking into account feasibility and the resources available.

The Annex 1 to the work plan presents the key outcomes of the discussion during the country consultations with the Republic of Moldova (29 May 2020), in regard to the implementation of the current work plan and proposals to adjust it.

Table 1 maps all activities agreed for implementation in the Republic of Moldova. Tables 2-6 present more detailed planning under each Result, expected output targets and indicative timeline for the implementing period. A detailed description of each activity is available from the DoA.

The timeline of the work plan was revised to reflect the consequences of the unprecedented challenge brought in 2020 by the Covid-19 pandemic. Despite vaccination campaigns, the situation related to Covid-19 still remains uncertain due appearance of new variants, and will continue impacting the Programme implementation.

The Work Plan continues to be flexible for further adjustments of the timeline and activities, if necessary.

About EU4Environment

The **general objective of EU4Environment** is to help the partner countries 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 EU4Environment programme is structured around **five Results**:

- **Result 1.** Greener decision-making (implemented by UNEP and UNECE, with coordination by UNIDO);
- **Result 2.** Circular economy and new growth opportunities (implemented by UNEP and UNIDO, with coordination by UNIDO);
- **Result 3.** An environmental level playing field (implemented by OECD);
- **Result 4.** Ecosystem services and livelihoods (implemented by the World Bank);

- **Result 5.** Knowledge sharing and coordination (implemented by OECD, with input from all implementing Partners).

The total EU4Environment budget for four years (2019-2022) is about EUR 20 million, of which EUR 19 million were provided by the European Union.

The Programme implementation started in January 2019. During the first half of 2019, so called “mobilisation and inception phase”, the Partners formalized and operationalized Programme implementation in all six countries and started selected activities. Progress on its implementation is reported to the European Commission in the annual narrative reports, and to the countries at the annual Regional Assembly meetings.

National Focal Points and National Action Coordinator in the Republic of Moldova

As envisaged by the DoA, to support the Programme implementation, the Ministries of the Environment and of Economy and Infrastructure appointed **National Focal Points** (NFPs) of the EU4Environment. The NFPs aims to serve the coordination role and represent their respective countries during and between the annual Regional Assembly meetings.

Ministry of the Environment	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
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The Programme implementation is facilitated by the EU4Environment **National Action Coordinator – Mr. Andrei ISAC.**

Revised final consolidated plan of work in the Republic of Moldova for Results 1-5

Table 1. Consolidated list of activities in the Republic of Moldova under Results 1-5.

Activities	The Republic of Moldova
RESULT 1. Greener decision-making	
1.1: Green economy ownership, policy coherence and cross-sectorial coordination (UNEP)	
Activity 1.1.1: Survey and large-scale training of public sector employees	V
Activity 1.1.2: Fitness tests of relevant policy documents and policy proposals	V
Activity 1.1.3: Facilitation of National Policy Dialogues on Green Economy	V
1.2: Sectoral investment planning and comparative analysis of costs and benefits (UNEP)	
Activity 1.2.1: Investment needs assessment in priority sectors	V
Activity 1.2.2: Development of investment strategy proposals or action plans	V
1.3: Strategic Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment (UNECE)	
Activity 1.3.1: Assistance for finalizing the legal reforms on SEA and on transboundary EIA	V
Activity 1.3.2: Comprehensive capacity and institutional building	V
1.4: Awareness, education and public acceptance of the Green Economy transition (UNEP)	
Activity 1.4.1: Implementation of educational courses	V
Activity 1.4.2: Awareness raising campaigns for general public	V
RESULT 2. Circular economy and new growth opportunities	
2.1: Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production and eco-innovation among SMEs (UNIDO)	
Activity 2.1.1: Eco-industrial parks feasibility	V
Activity 2.1.2: Supporting RECP Clubs	V
Activity 2.1.3: Promoting Circular Economy – Waste mapping in municipalities	O
Activity 2.1.4: Training national experts	V
Activity 2.1.5: Additional RECP Assessments	V
Activity 2.1.6: Raising awareness and sharing knowledge	V
Activity 2.1.7: Further institutionalising RECP	X
2.2: Concept and tools of the EU Single Market for Green Products initiative (UNIDO)	

Activity 2.2.1: Mapping of existing practices and barriers for existing labelling schemes	V
Activity 2.2.2: Awareness and understanding of SMGP opportunities and benefits	X
Activity 2.2.3: Piloting product environmental footprint (PEF) in selected industries	X
2.3: Green Public Procurement and complementary tools (UNEP)	
Activity 2.3.1: Assessments/advisory services to establish SPP and eco-labelling policies	V
Activity 2.3.2: Capacity development of business sectors to respond to public tenders/eco-labelling	V
2.4: Use of strategic approaches on waste management (UNEP)	
Activity 2.4.1: Developing draft action plan for waste management (national or municipal level)	X
Activity 2.4.2: Initiating/assisting the establishment of Extended Producers Responsibility schemes	V
2.5: Reforms in priority green economy sectors (UNEP)	
Activity 2.5.1: Identify priority sectors for policy reform, suitable policy instruments and support needs	V
Activity 2.5.2: Support introduction/adjustment of enabling policies and policy tools in priority sectors	V
2.6: Ecological value-chain and product innovation (UNEP)	
Activity 2.6.1: National trainings on sustainable production/eco-innovation for companies and governments	V
Activity 2.6.2: Market assessment and policy analysis of eco-innovation potential in selected sectors	V
Activity 2.6.3: Assess SMEs/companies' potential for eco-innovation & provide advisory services for business strategy review/development	V
Activity 2.6.4: Awareness raising activity among business sector and government	V
RESULT 3. An environmental level playing field	
3.1: "Smart" regulation of environmental impacts (OECD)	
Activity 3.1.1: Reforming regulatory regimes for large emission sources, including State Owned Enterprises	V
Activity 3.1.2: Greening Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs)	V
3.2: Environmental compliance assurance and environmental liability regimes (OECD)	
Activity 3.2.1: Strengthening of Compliance Assurance Systems, Instruments, and Tools	V ¹
Activity 3.2.2: Reform of high impact enforcement and compliance promotion instruments, including environmental liability	V

¹ Activity 3.2.1 is combined with Activity 3.2.2. The report will cover CAS review and brief assessment report of the systems of administrative sanctions, monetary payments and penalties for non-compliance.

Activity 3.2.3: Networking and capacity building	V ²
3.3: Domestic public finance, subsidy reforms, public-private partnerships and private finance for green investment (OECD)	
Activity 3.3.1: Greening public expenditure	V
Activity 3.3.2: Review of selected national funding entities	V
Activity 3.3.3: Reforming energy subsidies	V
Activity 3.3.4: National and regional policy dialogues on green finance and investment	V
3.4 Administrative capacity for environmental management (OECD)	
Activity 3.4.1: Assessment of existing and required administrative capacity in the environmental sector	V
Activity 3.4.2: Provision of Expert Support to the Ministries of Environment and or Economy	V
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods (tentative)	
4.1: Support to protect biodiversity and natural ecosystems (Emerald Network) (World Bank)	
Activity 4.1.1 Preparing draft action plans in selected sites to advance the establishment of the Emerald Network and management of existing sites	V
Activity 4.1.2 Regional collaboration and exchange with EU member states; communication and awareness raising	V
4.2: Promoting sustainable natural resources management, economic development and participation at local community level (World Bank)	
Activity 4.2.1: Baseline mapping for community engagement on forests and other natural resources management	V
Activity 4.2.2: Supporting targeted communities with gaining practical knowledge on natural resource management (NRM)	V
Activity 4.2.3: Supporting the EaP countries in the development of lessons learnt reports	V
4.3: Support to the promotion of legal trade and preventing illegal trade in wood products (World Bank)	
Activity 4.3.1: Strengthening timber/wood trade control systems in the EaP countries	V
Activity 4.3.2: Promoting innovation and technology to strengthen export and trade controls over timber/wood	V
Activity 4.3.3: Awareness raising, communication, trade events	V
4.4: Enhancing strategic financing to the forest and natural resources management sectors (World Bank)	
Activity 4.4.1: Developing country investment and financing plans for natural capital conservation and sustainable utilization	V
Activity 4.4.2: Promoting regional and international collaboration	V
RESULT 5. Regional knowledge sharing and coordination	
Activity 5.3: Monitoring of progress at the economy-environment nexus	V

² Under regional activities.

Notes: V – selected; O – for possible implementation at a later stage – subject to funds availability; X – not selected.

Table 2. Activities in the Republic of Moldova under Result 1: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 1. Greener decision-making														
1.1: Green economy ownership, policy coherence and cross-sectorial coordination (UNEP)														
Activity 1.1.1: Survey and large-scale training of public sector employees														
– General training courses on Green Economy (GE)													Online course, translated into the national language, delivered on a regular basis to government officials via a national academic/public training institute	Development, translation and delivery of an introductory GE course, in close collaboration with the Academy of Public Administration, the State University or other nominated agency.
– Training civil servants from line ministries to apply GE concepts													Tailored webinar delivered to nominated public servants from line ministries, with regular assignments and supervision by an international expert	Capacity-building trainings for civil servants to improve GE knowledge, establish necessary pre-requisites for GE introduction, and be able to carry out GE policy fitness tests (activity 1.1.2)
Activity 1.1.2: Fitness tests/analytical documents of relevant policy documents and policy proposals														
– Fitness tests/analytical documents of relevant policy documents and policy proposals													Analysis of at least 2 sectoral policies by trained civil servants	Carried out as part of training course (1.1.1) and could be developed further
Activity 1.1.3: Facilitation of National Policy Dialogues on Green Economy														
– Support for inter-ministerial and cross-sectoral policy coordination meetings													At least 4 meetings conducted/supported	Use existing body created under EaP-GREEN, also facilitating development/revision of strategic GE documents/policies.
1.2: Sectoral investment planning and comparative analysis of costs and benefits (UNEP)														
Activity 1.2.1: Investment needs assessment in priority sectors													1 assessment	Investment needs based on the revised GE programme (to be released still).

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Activity 1.2.2: Development of investment strategy proposals or action plans													1 Actin plan	
1.3: Strategic Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment (UNECE)														
Activity 1.3.1: Assistance for finalizing the legal reforms on SEA and on transboundary EIA														
– Legal drafting/further alignment of legislation/finalization of secondary implementing legislation													– Legal drafting: 1) Amending SEA, and EIA and Ecological Expertise legislation (in line with last developments in the relevant EU Directives and national legislation) - development of a draft law on amendments of a number of legal acts [Q4 2019 – 2020]; 2) Development and approval by the Order of the Minister of the procedure/system for the assessment and certification of individual experts or legal persons/companies for the development of the EIA/SEA documentation, list of official registration of certified/licenced/authorised experts [2021 - 2022]; 3) Development and approval of an Order of the Minister of the new Instruction on the procedure of State Ecological Expertise [2021 - 2022].	Amendments to SEA and EIA legislation (Q1-Q4 2021); development of secondary implementing legislation (2022)
– National awareness raising event to promote the adoption of legislation or its further elaboration and/or implementation													1 event in Q2/Q3 2021 (date tbc)	
Activity 1.3.2: Comprehensive capacity and institutional building														

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Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
– Model for a SEA on-line database; a register of undergoing SEA/transboundary EIA procedures for public information													model, incl. a register	
1.4: Awareness, education and public acceptance of the Green Economy transition (UNEP)														
Activity 1.4.1: Educational courses (on-line and/or lecture series)													Lecture series or curricula	Network of academics to be invited to the GE webinar series Country need: Lecture courses developed could be disseminated to network of universities.
Activity 1.4.2: Awareness raising campaigns for general public													Mass media campaign	Activity depends on availability of additional funding, the country will explore media team and set up options.

* Note: The country-specific needs, if any, identified in this Table will be accommodated, to the extent possible, taking into account feasibility and the resources available; subject to further discussion and confirmation.

Table 3. Activities in the Republic of Moldova under Result 2: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments			
	2019			2020				2021				2022					
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4						
RESULT 2. Circular economy and new growth opportunities																	
2.1: Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production and eco-innovation among SMEs (UNIDO)																	
Activity 2.1.1: Eco-industrial parks feasibility																	
– Analysis of existing industrial parks													report	Select from 10 existing industrial parks in consultation with MinEconomy County need: It is proposed extension of this activity to cover "Free Economic Zones"			
– A set of recommendations to “green” existing parks													report				
Activity 2.1.2: Supporting RECP Clubs																	
– Identifying and recruiting Clubs Facilitator													1 facilitator				
– Recruiting municipalities for RECP Clubs													2 municipalities				
– Identifying and recruiting companies-members of RECP clubs													around 20 SMEs				
– Delivery of replication programmes													2 programs				
– Evaluation of replication programme													1 report				
– Monitoring of RECP measures implementation and companies' support													2-3 reports				
Activity 2.1.4: Training national experts																	
– Identifying and recruiting National Implementing Partner (NIP)													NIP recruited				
– Trainee experts identified and recruited													around 15 experts				

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Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments			
	2019			2020				2021				2022					
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4						
2.3: Green Public Procurement and complementary tools (UNEP)																	
Activity 2.3.1: Assessments/advisory services to establish SPP and eco-labelling policies													Advisory services for developing eco-label regulations	Eco-labelling regulations drafted, subject to the public hearing			
Activity 2.3.2: Capacity development of business sectors to respond to public tenders/eco-labelling																	
– Trainings for companies and authorities on SPP and eco-labelling/certification													Training materials, workshops	Training material developed, workshops to be organized			
– Launch of new pilot tenders													5-10 pilot tender	Guidelines and technical support			
2.4: Use of strategic approaches on waste management (UNEP)																	
Activity 2.4.1: Developing draft action plan for waste management (national or municipal level)																	
– Development of national action plans													National waste management programme Action Plan	Waste management programme and Action Pan drafted			
2.5: Reforms in priority green economy sectors (UNEP)																	
Activity 2.5.1: Identify priority sectors for policy reform, suitable policy instruments and support needs													Priority sectors identified	Discussion on priority area started			
Activity 2.5.2: Support introduction/adjustment of enabling policies and policy tools in priority sectors													Enabling policies/tools developed				
2.6: Ecological value-chain and product innovation (UNEP)																	
Activity 2.6.1: National trainings on sustainable production/eco-innovation for companies and governments													1 training	Training workshop organized			
Activity 2.6.2: Market assessment and policy													1 policy assessment 1 market assessment	Important to narrow down what SMEs will be involved, currently few statistics, but			

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
analysis of eco-innovation potential in selected sectors														the Green Incubation Programme grants could be a start. Draft programme will be shared for our review.
Activity 2.6.3: Assess SMEs/companies' potential for eco-innovation & provide advisory services for business strategy review/development													5-10 SMEs advised	Call for SMEs in the priority sector will be issued, and SMEs will be selected
Activity 2.6.4: Awareness raising activity among business sector and government													1 event	1 event held in 2020.Additional event could be held

* Note: The country-specific needs, if any, identified in this Table will be accommodated, to the extent possible, taking into account feasibility and the resources available; subject to further discussion and confirmation.

Table 4. Activities in the Republic of Moldova under Result 3: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 3. An environmental level playing field (OECD)														
3.1: “Smart” regulation of environmental impacts														
Activity 3.1.1: Reforming regulatory regimes for large emission sources, including State Owned Enterprises														
– Analysis on the existing approaches		Fact-finding mission						Draft report					Analytical report	Country need: 1) Support in drafting and finalizing the draft Law on Industrial Emissions, which will also include the rules on the introduction and release of the Integrated Environmental Permit (transposing Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions (Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control): priority 2019; 2) Support for the transposition of Directive 2001/80 / EC on the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants into the air from large combustion plants and Chapter III, Annex V and Article 72 (3) to (4) of Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions in the new Law on Industrial Emissions: priority 2019; 3) Support for the development and promotion of the mechanism for the implementation of the Industrial Emissions Law (emission limits, permitting, registration, monitoring, enforcement, control, BAT, BREF, etc.): 2020-2022; 4) Support for the elaboration of the draft Governmental Decision on integrated environmental permit (release procedure, authorization format etc.): 2020-2021; 5) Introduction of an integrated permitting system for large sources, General Binding Rules (GBRs) for selected sectors of environmental concern (e.g. agriculture) and registration for SMEs; 6) Carrying out trainings for Environmental Agency staff delivering permits, to enhance their capacity for the development and implementation of an integrated permitting system, GBRs and registration (depending on the sources): 2020-2021; 7) Organizing and participating in training seminars and exchange of experience on environmental regulation and authorization: 2020-2022;
– Developing/updating road maps for the reform												Roadmap	Roadmap	
– Training (country-specific, sub-regional or regional - subject to confirmation)												Training	10-20 government officials trained	

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
														8) Support in development of the enforcement mechanism (Regulations, Instructions, methodologies) for the Law on control of risks of major accidents with involve dangerous substances, developed in accordance with the requirements of the Directive 2012/18 / EU on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances (SEVESO II) which have to be promoted and adopted during the year 2019: 2019-2020. <i>Additional country comment:</i> Support in drafting and finalizing the draft Law on Industrial Emissions, which will also include the rules on the introduction and release of the Integrated Environmental Permit (transposing Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions (Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control): priority 2019.
Activity 3.1.2: Greening Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs)														
– Expert support to on the application of General Binding Rules		Fact-finding mission										Report on GBRs and legislative proposals	Develop GBRs for a specific economic sector	Country need: 1) Evaluation of section 2.2.8 on Developing the green economy for Small and Medium Enterprises in the National Strategy for Development of the SME Sector and the Program for Promoting the Green Economy in the Republic of Moldova for the years 2018-2020 (GD no 160/2018). Based on the assessments - providing recommendations for improvement (to be included in the following policy documents) and clear steps to be implemented: 2019-2020; 2) Supporting SMEs in implementing the principles of energy management (ISO 50001) and environmental management (ISO 14001) in their work, as well as mapping opportunities to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy measures: 2020-2021. Adjustments can be made following fact-finding
– Analysis of existing instruments for financing SME greening ³														
– Operationalising support to SME Development Strategy		Fact-finding mission			Draft report	In-country discussion							Develop new guidelines for support with finalisation	

³ See regional activities.

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
													/implemen- tation of a new draft Programm e on greening SMEs.	mission.
3.2: Environmental compliance assurance and environmental liability regimes														
Activity 3.2.1: Strengthening of Compliance Assurance Systems, Instruments, and Tools														
– Screening the compliance assurance system (CAS)		Fact-finding mission								Draft review	Final CAS review		CAS review	Country need: 1) Develop criteria for identifying, classifying and selecting installations for compliance monitoring and use of risk-based tools for inspection planning: 2019-2020; 2) Support in carrying out coordinated (joint) inspections based on standard checklists: 2019-2020; "3) Systematic training of inspectors to carry out planned, ad-hoc and joint inspections: 2019-2022 (*) Elaboration and approval of the Regulation on environmental control, including rules of conduct for environmental inspectors: 2019-2020; (*) Elaboration and approval of an Instruction on the collection of evidence and working with witnesses in the investigation of violations of environmental legislation: 2019-2020; (*) Elaboration and approval of the Instruction on the establishment and calculation of environmental damage as a result of breach of environmental legislation: 2019-2020; 4) Strengthen enforcement systems / instruments of non-compliance with environmental legislation in particular the requirements of the Industrial Emissions Directive and Directive 2004/35 / EC on environmental liability with regard to the prevention and remedying of environmental damage. Reform of systems of administrative sanctions, monetary payments and sanctions for non-conformities that can discourage non-compliance with environmental
– In-depth review (based on CAS analysis)											Review		1 review (combined with CAS)	
– Support to coordinated inspection campaign (a multi-country campaign - subject to confirmation)										Combin ed with 3.2.3			Campaign	
– Reviewing available/potential information-based instruments for compliance promotion (as established in UKR)														
– Strengthening capacity building												Part of the CAS review		

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
														requirements. Support for the development of legislation regulating environmental damage compensation, including those covered by the EU Directives: 2019-2020
Activity 3.2.2: Reform of high impact enforcement and compliance promotion instruments, including environmental liability														
– Support to reform of the systems of administrative sanctions, monetary payments and penalties for non-compliance		Fact-finding mission								Draft report	Final report		Assessment report (review) and legislative proposal (based on the needs expressed by the country)	Country need: 1) Support in Amending the Contravention Code of the Republic of Moldova no. 218/2008 and the Criminal Code of the Republic of Moldova no. 985/2002 on the tightening of fines and sanctions for the fraudulent use of natural resources or for the excessive pollution of environmental compartments: 2020; 2) Enhancement of environmental enforcement systems / instruments, in particular the requirements of Directive 2010/75 on industrial emissions and Directive 2004/35 / EC on environmental liability with regard to the prevention and remedying of environmental damage: 2020; 3) Reform of systems of administrative sanctions, monetary payments and sanctions for non-compliances that can discourage non-compliance with environmental requirements: 2020; 4) Support in the development of legislation regulating the compensation for environmental damage, including those covered by the provisions of the EU Directives: 2020. Close link to CAS review (possibly one report with two parts) - subject to confirmation
– development of legislation regulating damage compensation												Review		
Activity 3.2.3: Networking and capacity building														
– Update/develop one training module and the provision of two cross-agency trainings (country-specific, sub-regional or regional - subject to confirmation)										Seminar on information systems (under regional activities)				

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
										s)				
3.3: Domestic public finance, subsidy reforms, public-private partnerships and private finance for green investment														
Activity 3.3.1: Greening public expenditure														
– Project on supporting the implementation of priority green economy-related public investment programmes and development of competence profiles for civil servants in the area of green financing							Stakeholders consultations	First desk review	Second desk review	Training			Analytical report	Country need: 1) - Support for the finalization and implementation of the Investment Program for Promotion of Green Urban Transport in Moldova (elaborated with OECD support during 2017-2018); 2019-2020; 2) - Strengthening of the public-private partnership for the promotion of green economy development principles and actions: 2020; 3) - Assessment of the potential for greening public finance in Moldova: 2019-2020.
– Training for government officials													Training 20 government officials	Optional - subject to confirmation
Activity 3.3.2: Review of selected national funding entities														
– Review of selected national public funding entities' practices for providing green finance				Preparatory work	In-country consultations					Operational Manual and/or legal and regulatory support			Review and evaluation of the National Ecological Fund	Country need: Review and evaluation of the National Ecological Fund; operational manual for Fund management and operations and/or legal support and conceptual overhaul of fund's institutional set-up.
Activity 3.3.3: Reforming energy subsidies														
– Assistance to a pilot country to design a tax expenditure reporting methodology									Preparatory work		Draft report	Final report	Analytical report, including legal and regulatory	Country need: Develop a roadmap for the phasing out of energy subsidies and strengthening social aid policies, with support for its implementation.

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
													support	
Activity 3.3.4: National and regional policy dialogues on green finance and investment														
– National-level analysis to support green investment (green bonds), identification of key challenges/ways forward to align financial mechanisms with policy reforms							Selection of an international consultant	Selection of an international consultant	Preparatory work		Online stakeholder discussions	Country-level assessment	Analytical report	Country need : 1) National-level analysis and discussion of the best ways to support green investment (2019-2022); 2) Participation in regional conferences to take stock of recent initiatives, policy developments and financial vehicles in the EaP countries that support government efforts to shift towards a greener and more energy efficient path of economic development (2019-22); 3) Identification of key challenges and ways forward to better align financial mechanisms with policy reforms to speed and scale up green investments (2019-22).
3.4 Administrative capacity for environmental management														
Activity 3.4.1: Assessment of existing and required administrative capacity in the environmental sector														
– Analytical report on existing/required administrative capacity in the environmental sector and development of recommendations			Preparatory work, discussions with SIGMA				Selection of an international consultant	Kick-off event with NACs (15 Jan)	Round of consultations	Draft report	Final report		Analytical report	Country need : 1) Analysis and assessments of existing and required administrative capacity in the environmental sector (gaps and needs assessment; recommendations for capacity development): 2019; 2) Supporting the revision and amendment of the MARDE Regulation (existing situation regarding the merging of the agriculture and environment sectors and elaboration of recommendations on some divergences in the joint activity of these sectors): 2019; 3) Support in assessing the current institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency and those required to implement environmental functions and objectives and develop recommendations for the development of these capacities: 2019; 4) Support for the development of the Institutional Development Program (Environment): 2019-2020; 5) Support

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line											Expected output target	Comments	
	2019			2020				2021						2022
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
														in the elaboration of a project proposal for the central environmental authority headquarters, which would integrate all subordinate environmental institutions based on the "green building" (zero emissions) principle: 2020-2021; 6) Examining the possibility of implementation of the ISO 14001 provisions within the central environmental body, including the promotion of green meeting, green office with the dissemination of this experience within the governmental institutions: 2019-2020. Key findings of a draft report tentatively are aimed to be presented at the 2d RA meeting.
Activity 3.4.2: Provision of Expert Support to the Ministries of Environment and or Economy														
– Plans for administrative strengthening												Plan	1 plan	Country need: 1) Elaboration of an Action Plan for strengthening the institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency (2019); 2) Supporting the development, promotion for approval and implementation of a TWINING project on strengthening the institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency in implementing environmental policies (2019-20); 3) Provide technical support to the creation and management of information and data systems for the Environmental Agency's fields of activity (2019-22). The plan will be prepared on the basis of the analysis (3.4.1); possibly one report with two parts (overview and plan) - subject to confirmation.
– Possibly, development of sustainable and targeted training mechanisms												Training		
– Provision of on-going/ad hoc expert support to the Ministry of Environment or the Economy								Discussions on possible ways of support to Environment Agency					On as needed basis	

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line								Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021-22		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 3. An environmental level playing field (OECD)										
3.1: “Smart” regulation of environmental impacts										
Activity 3.1.1: Reforming regulatory regimes for large emission sources, including State Owned Enterprises										
– Analysis on the existing approaches		Fact-finding mission				Draft report	Final report		Analytical report	Country need: 1) Support in drafting and finalizing the draft Law on Industrial Emissions, which will also include the rules on the introduction and release of the Integrated Environmental Permit (transposing Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions (Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control): priority 2019; 2) Support for the transposition of Directive 2001/80 / EC on the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants into the air from large combustion plants and Chapter III, Annex V and Article 72 (3) to (4) of Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions in the new Law on Industrial Emissions: priority 2019; 3) Support for the development and promotion of the mechanism for the implementation of the Industrial Emissions Law (emission limits, permitting, registration, monitoring, enforcement, control, BAT, BREF, etc.): 2020-2022; 4) Support for the elaboration of the draft Governmental Decision on integrated environmental permit (release procedure, authorization format etc.): 2020-2021; 5) Introduction of an integrated permitting system for large sources, General Binding Rules (GBRs) for selected sectors of environmental concern (e.g. agriculture) and registration for SMEs; 6) Carrying out trainings for Environmental Agency staff delivering permits, to enhance their capacity for the development and implementation of an integrated permitting system, GBRs and registration (depending on the sources): 2020-2021; 7) Organizing and participating in training seminars and exchange of experience on environmental regulation and authorization: 2020-2022; 8) Support in development of the enforcement mechanism (Regulations, Instructions, methodologies) for the Law on control of risks of major accidents with involve dangerous substances, developed in accordance with the requirements of the Directive 2012/18 / EU on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances (SEVESO II) which have to be promoted and adopted during the year 2019: 2019-2020. Additional country comment: Support in drafting and finalizing the draft Law on Industrial Emissions, which will also include the rules
– Developing/updating road maps for the reform								Roadmap	Roadmap	
– Training (country-specific, sub-regional or regional - subject to confirmation)								Training	10-20 government officials trained	

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line							Expected output target	Comments	
	2019			2020						2021-22
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
										on the introduction and release of the Integrated Environmental Permit (transposing Directive 2010/75 / EU on Industrial Emissions (Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control): priority 2019.
Activity 3.1.2: Greening Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs)										
– Expert support to on the application of General Binding Rules		Fact-finding mission						Report on GBRs and legislative proposals	Develop GBRs for a specific economic sector	Country need: 1) Evaluation of section 2.2.8 on Developing the green economy for Small and Medium Enterprises in the National Strategy for Development of the SME Sector and the Program for Promoting the Green Economy in the Republic of Moldova for the years 2018-2020 (GD no 160/2018). Based on the assessments - providing recommendations for improvement (to be included in the following policy documents) and clear steps to be implemented: 2019-2020; 2) Supporting SMEs in implementing the principles of energy management (ISO 50001) and environmental management (ISO 14001) in their work, as well as mapping opportunities to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy measures: 2020-2021. Adjustments can be made following fact-finding mission.
– Analysis of existing instruments for financing SME greening ⁴										
– Operationalising support to SME Development Strategy		Fact-finding mission			Draft report	In-country discussion			Develop new guidelines for support with finalisation/im plementation of a new draft Programme on greening SMEs.	
3.2: Environmental compliance assurance and environmental liability regimes										
Activity 3.2.1: Strengthening of Compliance Assurance Systems, Instruments, and Tools										
– Screening the compliance assurance system (CAS)		Fact-finding mission				Draft review	Final CAS review		CAS review	Country need: 1) Develop criteria for identifying, classifying and selecting installations for compliance monitoring and use of risk-based tools for inspection planning: 2019-2020; 2) Support in carrying out coordinated (joint) inspections based on standard checklists: 2019-2020; "3) Systematic training of inspectors to carry out planned, ad-hoc and joint inspections: 2019-2022 (•) Elaboration and approval of the Regulation on environmental control, including rules of conduct for environmental inspectors: 2019-2020; (•) Elaboration and approval of an Instruction on the
– In-depth review (based on CAS analysis)								Review	1 review (possibly combined with CAS)	
– Support to coordinated inspection campaign (a multi-country campaign - subject to confirmation)								Campaign	Campaign	

⁴ See regional activities.

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Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line								Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021-22		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Activity 3.3.1: Greening public expenditure										
– Project on the costing of priority green economy-related public investment programmes and development of competence profiles for civil servants in the area of green financing			Follow-up project	Follow-up project					Analytical report	Country need: 1) - Support for the finalization and implementation of the Investment Program for Promotion of Green Urban Transport in Moldova (elaborated with OECD support during 2017-2018); 2019-2020; 2) - Strengthening of the public-private partnership for the promotion of green economy development principles and actions: 2020; 3) - Assessment of the potential for greening public finance in Moldova: 2019-2020.
– Training for government officials									Training 20 government officials	Optional - subject to confirmation
Activity 3.3.2: Review of selected national funding entities										
– Review of selected national public funding entities' practices for providing green finance			Preparatory work	Review mission		Report			Review and evaluation of the National Ecological Fund	Country need: Review and evaluation of the National Ecological Fund: revision of criteria for identifying and selecting investment projects; reviewing the rules and procedures for project evaluation; management practices, spending plans and payment mechanisms; the risk assessment of financial instruments and the mechanisms that can be provided; and / or possible business models to provide green financing: priority – 2019-2020. This work will also include analysis of strengthening the normative framework on environmental pollution taxes and payments ("Polluter Pays" principle) by amending Law no. 1540/1998 on payment for pollution: priority - 2019-2020.
Activity 3.3.3: Reforming energy subsidies										
– Assistance to a pilot country to design a tax expenditure reporting methodology								Review	Review of relevant legislation that will need to be revised	Country need: Develop a roadmap for the phasing out of energy subsidies and strengthening social aid policies, with support for its implementation.
Activity 3.3.4: National and regional policy dialogues on green finance and investment (No in-depth country activity planned)										
– National-level analysis to support green investment (green bonds), identification of							Preparatory work	Fact-finding mission	Major findings from	Country need : 1) National-level analysis and discussion of the best ways to support green investment (2019-2022); 2) Participation in regional conferences to take stock of recent

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line							Expected output target	Comments	
	2019			2020						2021-22
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
key challenges/ways forward to align financial mechanisms with policy reforms									in-depth interviews	initiatives, policy developments and financial vehicles in the EaP countries that support government efforts to shift towards a greener and more energy efficient path of economic development (2019-22); 3) Identification of key challenges and ways forward to better align financial mechanisms with policy reforms to speed and scale up green investments (2019-22).
3.4 Administrative capacity for environmental management										
Activity 3.4.1: Assessment of existing and required administrative capacity in the environmental sector										
– Analytical report on existing/required administrative capacity in the environmental sector and development of recommendations		Preparatory work	Preparatory work	Country mission (tbc)	Draft report	Present findings at 2d RA meeting	Final report		Analytical report	<i>Country need</i> : 1) Analysis and assessments of existing and required administrative capacity in the environmental sector (gaps and needs assessment; recommendations for capacity development): 2019; 2) Supporting the revision and amendment of the MARDE Regulation (existing situation regarding the merging of the agriculture and environment sectors and elaboration of recommendations on some divergences in the joint activity of these sectors): 2019; 3) Support in assessing the current institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency and those required to implement environmental functions and objectives and develop recommendations for the development of these capacities: 2019; 4) Support for the development of the Institutional Development Program (Environment): 2019-2020; 5) Support in the elaboration of a project proposal for the central environmental authority headquarters, which would integrate all subordinate environmental institutions based on the "green building" (zero emissions) principle: 2020-2021; 6) Examining the possibility of implementation of the ISO 14001 provisions within the central environmental body, including the promotion of green meeting, green office with the dissemination of this experience within the governmental institutions: 2019-2020. Key findings of a draft report tentatively are aimed to be presented at the 2d RA meeting.
Activity 3.4.2: Provision of Expert Support to the Ministries of Environment and or Economy										
– Plans for administrative strengthening					Analysis	Draft Plan	Final Plan		1 plan	

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line							Expected output target	Comments	
	2019			2020						2021-22
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
– Possibly, development of sustainable and targeted training mechanisms								Training	On as needed basis	Country need: 1) Elaboration of an Action Plan for strengthening the institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency (2019); 2) Supporting the development, promotion for approval and implementation of a TWINING project on strengthening the institutional capacities of the Environmental Agency in implementing environmental policies (2019-20); 3) Provide technical support to the creation and management of information and data systems for the Environmental Agency's fields of activity (2019-22). The plan will be prepared on the basis of the analysis (3.4.1); possibly one report with two parts (overview and plan) - subject to confirmation.
– Provision of on-going/ad hoc expert support to the Ministry of Environment or the Economy										

* Note: The country-specific needs, if any, identified in this Table will be accommodated, to the extent possible, taking into account feasibility and the resources available; subject to further discussion and confirmation

Table 5. Tentative activities in the Republic of Moldova under Result 4 “Ecosystems Services and Livelihoods”: timeline and expected output targets

The EC/World Bank contractual procedure was completed in December 2020, with start of activities in 2021. This document is the *draft* country-specific **Plan of Work for Result 4 in the Republic of Moldova for 2021-2024** of the European Union for Environment Programme (EU4Environment). It builds on initial commitments discussed at the EU4Environment national launch event (29 March, 2019), discussions at the EU4Environment Inaugural Regional Assembly meeting (27-28 June 2019, Brussels), consultations of the World Bank Team with National Focal Points and with a larger audience within a kick-off (introductory) meeting involving the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment, representatives of NGOs, technical institutions and experts (24 June 2021). A technical meeting of WB technical staff and key-stakeholders (MARDE's Department of Biodiversity Policy, Moldsilva, biodiversity experts) preceded the kick-off meeting to review the 2019 mapped national priorities. This document is a draft and is supposed to be finalized by September 30, 2021 considering the results of the discussions at the National Implementation Committee Meeting held on September 10, 2021 and Regional Assembly to be held on September 21, 2021. The Plan was prepared in close collaboration with the respective responsible ministry (MARDE) and its subordinated forest and hunting management authority (Agency Moldsilva) in the Republic of Moldova. It accommodates, to the extent possible, the country requests by taking into account feasibility and the resources available.

Selected activities in Moldova (<i>tentative</i>)	Timeline							Expected output target	Comments
	2021		2022				2023-24		
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union for Environment Action									
Output 4.1: Support to protect biodiversity and natural ecosystems (Emerald Network) (World Bank)									
Activity 4.1.1: Advancing the establishment of the Emerald Network and management of existing sites									
Drafting the Emerald national action plan (ENAP) to secure cross-sectoral involvement and nation-wide public communication								Draft ENAP (5-year span) developed and submitted to the Ministry Inter-sectorial stakeholder engagement plan developed, widely consulted and communicated to large public	Provisions of Emerald NAP will be suggested to be included in the new NBSAP document
Developing secondary regulation framework for improved Emerald species and habitat conservation								Draft guidelines on framework management plan developed and submitted to the Ministry (as Governmental Decision bill) Draft guidelines on the national monitoring system of Emerald species and habitats developed and	Secondary legislation on Emerald is required by the amended Law on National Ecological Network (94/2007)

Selected activities in Moldova (<i>tentative</i>)	Timeline							Expected output target	Comments
	2021		2022				2023-24		
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union for Environment Action									
								submitted to the Ministry (as Governmental Decision bill)	
Development of Emerald Network Management Plans for 2-3 selected sites								Management plans drafted and submitted to the Ministry Landowners and stakeholders (public, community, private) consulted and engaged in the process	Will be followed up by a replication process across the country
Building human and informational capacity to ensure sustainable management of the Emerald Network in Moldova								Trainings on monitoring system (GIS, soft, database) for stakeholders (governmental, academia, NGO, local communities, privates) Website developed and updated/maintained Awareness workshops for large public involvement in Emerald site conservation	Environmental Agency under the Ministry is responsible for the integrated environmental monitoring (including biodiversity, Emerald sites), so it needs capacity building to ensure the continuity of both monitoring and reporting processes. All that will improve decision-making with regard to Emerald and biodiversity conservation.
Activity 4.1.2: Regional collaboration and exchange with EU member states, communication and awareness									
tbc									
4.2: Promoting sustainable natural resources management, economic development and participation at local community level (World Bank)									
Activity 4.2.1: Baseline mapping for community engagement on forests and other natural resources management									
Conduct community-participatory forest management planning to optimize the balance between production and conservation (on a district pilot area)								2500 ha of community forestland under forest management planning (FMP), books and maps produced	The FMP is mandatory once a 1-year period and it will help community forestland (especially those of natural origin)

Selected activities in Moldova (tentative)	Timeline							Expected output target	Comments
	2021		2022				2023-24		
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union for Environment Action									
Identification of high conservation value forests (HCVF) to highlight biodiversity-rich areas and fundamental socio-economic services for local communities								1 analytical report (HCVF identification guide) with map and core areas, and recommendations for next actions	HCVF may be used to meet FSC criteria for biodiversity concentrations and critical ecological and socio-cultural services
Activity 4.2.2: Supporting targeted communities with gaining practical knowledge on natural resource management (NRM)									
Analytical study of the optimal ratio between forest and pasture area necessary for local sustainable development and conservation of natural resources (flora, fauna, water)								1 analytical report with technical justification based on eco-geographical zoning	Forest and pastures are sensitive case for local communities, so their integrated management is key to securing local sustainability
Conduct silvo-pastoral planning through provision of communal forest and pasture management plans (CFPMP) to avoid overexploitation and ensure long-term rational use (based on a pilot area)								SP planning work undertaken and CFPMP documents (reports + maps) developed and delivered to stakeholders	This will provide basis for the enforcement of pasture and forest legalframe
Activity 4.2.3: Supporting the EaP countries in the development of lessons learnt reports									
Sharing experiences and good practices among six participating countries								Exchange study tours and replication afterwards	
4.3: Support to the promotion of legal trade and preventing illegal trade in wood products (World Bank)									
Activity 4.3.1: Strengthening timber/wood trade control systems in the EaP countries									
Conduct an independent analysis of domestic consumption of wood products to counteract ecological and socio-economic effects of illegal logging								1 analytical report (both statistics and real figures) 1 workshop for data sharing and dissemination	This is a continuation of WB 2005/2006 report and FLEG I 2010/2011 study on real wood consumption, so another independent study is needed to reveal the trend and actions needed
Develop a web platform to promote market placement and sustainable trade of forest products								Website/platform developed	
Activity 4.3.2: Promoting innovation and technology to strengthen export and trade controls over timber/wood									
Comprehensive monitoring of forest dynamics using innovative techniques (software or satellite images for logging, poaching, fires, pest outbreaks, etc.)								1 innovation set designed and implemented	

Selected activities in Moldova (<i>tentative</i>)	Timeline							Expected output target	Comments
	2021		2022				2023-24		
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union for Environment Action									
Consolidate regional efforts through joint discussions and experience sharing on sustainable generation of ecosystem services provided by biodiversity.								1 regional event organized and results disseminated	
Conference on the practice of financing ecosystem services in EU countries								1 workshop organized and results disseminated	This activity could be moved to the Regional work plan if supported by other countries

Table 6. Activities in the Republic of Moldova under Result 5: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities in the Republic of Moldova	Time line												Expected output target	Comments
	2019			2020				2021				2022		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 5.														
5.3: Monitoring of progress at the economy-environment nexus (OECD)														
– Preparation /update of country profiles using indicators				draft	Final country profile			draft	Final country profile			2 country profiles (Q1 & Q4)	4 profiles (1 per year)	See below.
– Preparation of GGI report								ToR dev-t, selection of a consultant, contract signature)	Launch of work	Kick-off event (10 Sept 2021) Draft report	Digitalization of data (dedicated web page on Min ENV site)		1 report (Updated report with new data, possibly with new indicators)	Country need: Elaborate / update annually and supplement with new indicators of the Green Growth Indicators Report, publishing online data, ensuring synergy with Moldova 2030/SDGs objectives and targets. (2019-22). First update of the report could be carried out in 2020, second update in 2022, as foreseen by the provisions of the Program on the promotion of Green Economy and proposed to be included in the NBS plans and statistical works. Preparatory work on GGI report may already start in 2019-20 (in link to preparation of a regional mid-term report), but in-depth analysis is envisaged in the second phase of the Programme.
– Development of a policy brief, organising policy debates around key messages from GGI analysis											Policy brief		1 policy brief	

* Note: The country-specific needs, if any, identified in this Table will be accommodated, to the extent possible, taking into account feasibility and the resources available; subject to further discussion and confirmation.

Annex 1. Key outcomes of the discussion during the EU4Environment country consultations with the Republic of Moldova (29 May 2020) on the work plan implementation

The Implementing Partners agreed to follow up bilaterally on the respective activities. All proposals, if any, to adjust/add new activities will be considered by the Partners and incorporated to the extent possible, subject to resource availability and additional bilateral discussions.

- Continue to implement the activities as envisaged in the Work Plan and in line with the agreed timeline, using alternative modes of operation (virtual communications/meetings and engaging local consultants);
- Follow up on bilateral basis on individual activities and include them as much as possible in the Work Plan, in particular:
 - Activity 2.1.2 - 2.1.6 – UNIDO on RECP in line with SMEs greening programme;
 - Activity 2.3.1 – UNEP on eco-labelling and waste management; EPI regional activities;
 - Activities 3.1 and 3.2 – OECD on environmental liability;
 - Activity 3.3 – OECD on Ecological Fund;
 - Activity 3.4.2 – OECD on expert support to the Environmental agency;
 - Activity 5.3 – OECD on green growth indicators, with MARDE and MEI;
 - Result 4: address an urgent need for support on forest management.
- See for further details the Summary Record of the meeting.