



# EU4Environment work plan for 2019-2023: ARMENIA

(Final version, February 2022)



This document presents a consolidated revised Work Plan for Armenia for Results 1-5 of the EU4Environment Programme for the period till end of December 2023. It was prepared following the ROM recommendation and a decision at the third EU4Environment Regional Assembly meeting (21 September 2021) to extend the European Union for Environment (EU4Environment) Programme for another year, from the anticipated end in December 2022 to 31 December 2023.

The Plan takes into account adjustments that occurred in the first two years of implementation, including the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic, and feedback received from the country.

Action implemented by:











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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 country-specific **Work Plan in Armenia for 2019-2023** of the European Union for Environment (EU4Environment) Programme (as of February 2022).

It presents the activities identified for implementation in Armenia for **Results 1-5**. The regional activities, involving Armenia, are covered separately by the regional work plan.

It builds on the original Work Plan for the period 2019-2022 which was prepared in 2019 based on initial commitments discussed at the EU4Environment national launch event (29 April 2019, Yerevan) 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), as well as the final comments received by 6 September 2019.

The work plan is revised annually, in relation to the annual reporting to the European Commission, and annual EU4Environment Regional Assemblies, to take into account the possible adjustments, and to be better aligned with the Government priorities. It takes also into account the key outcomes of the discussion during the country consultations with Armenia (19 May 2020).

The revised Work Plan presented in this document reflects the decision adopted at the third EU4Environment Regional Assembly (21 September 2021) to extend the EU4Environment Programme implementation until 31 December 2023. The extension decision was made to take account of the impacts of the unprecedented challenge brought in 2020 by the Covid-19 pandemic and the results of the Result-Oriented Monitoring (ROM) evaluation carried out by independent evaluators in 2021 for the European Commission.

Table 1 maps all activities agreed for implementation in Armenia. The following tables present more detailed revised 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 Work Plan continues to be flexible for further adjustments of the timeline and activities, especially in light of the uncertainties related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### **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 Armenia

As envisaged by the DoA, to support the Programme implementation, the Ministries of Environment and of Economic Development and Investments appointed **National Focal Points** (NFPs) of the EU4Environment Programme. The NFPs aims to serve the coordination role and represent their respective countries during and between the annual Regional Assembly meetings. Due to the political situation, both positions remain currently vacant.

Ministry of Environment

Ministry of Economy

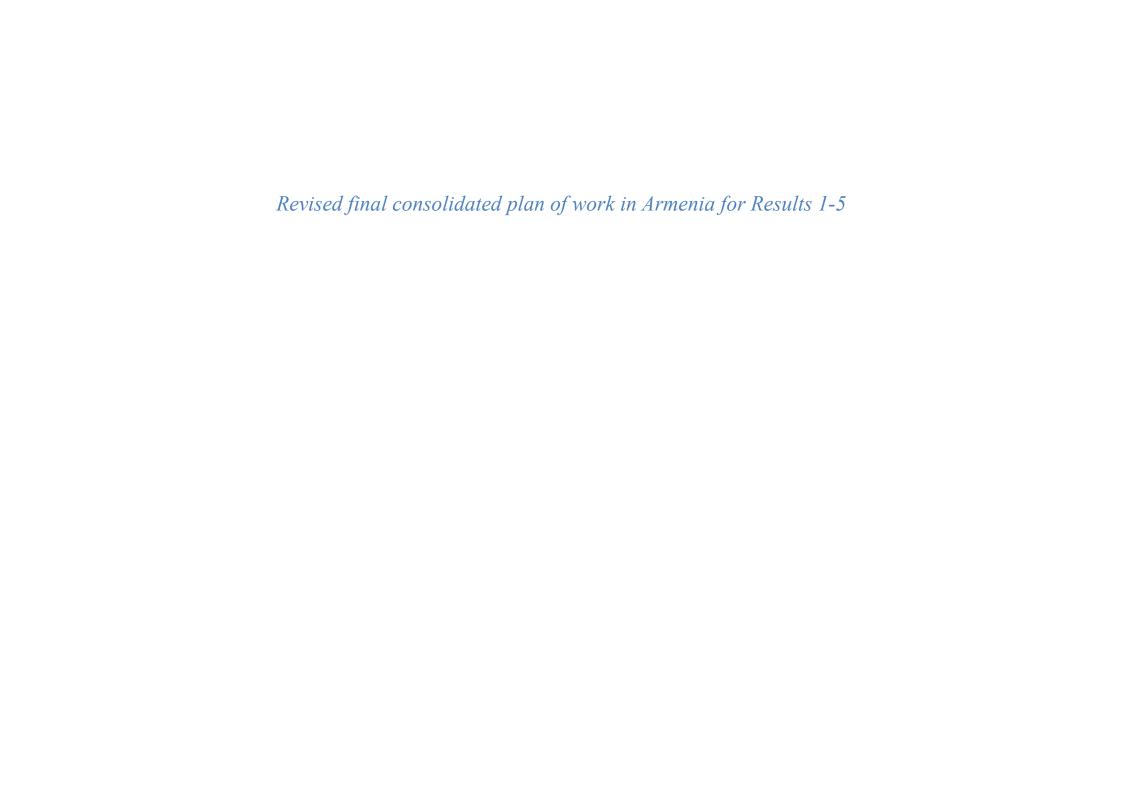
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### Table 1. Consolidated list of activities in Armenia under Results 1-5.

Activities	Armenia
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	Χ
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	Χ
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	Χ
Activity 2.1.2: Supporting RECP Clubs	X
Activity 2.1.3: Promoting Circular Economy – Waste mapping in municipalities	Χ
Activity 2.1.4: Training national experts	Χ
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	Х
2.2: Concept and tools of the EU Single Market for Green Products initiative (UNIDO)	

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Activity 2.2.1: Mapping of existing practices and barriers for existing labelling schemes	X
Activity 2.2.2: Awareness and understanding of SMPG opportunities and benefits	Χ
Activity 2.2.3: Piloting product environmental footprint (PEF) in selected industries	Χ
2.3: Green Public Procurement and complementary tools (UNEP)	
Activity 2.3.1: Assessments/advisory services to establish SPP and eco-labelling policies	Χ
Activity 2.3.2: Capacity development of business sectors to respond to public tenders/eco-labelling	Х
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)	Х
Activity 2.4.2: Initiating/assisting the establishment of Extended Producers Responsibility schemes	V <sup>1</sup>
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	Х
Activity 2.5.2: Support introduction/adjustment of enabling policies and policy tools in priority sectors	Х
2.6: Ecological value-chain and product innovation (UNEP)	
Activity 2.6.1: National trainings on sustainable production/eco-innovation for companies and governments	Х
Activity 2.6.2: Market assessment and policy analysis of eco-innovation potential in selected sectors	Х
Activity 2.6.3: Assess SMEs/companies' potential for eco-innovation & provide advisory services for business strategy review/development	Χ
Activity 2.6.4: Awareness raising activity among business sector and government	Χ
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)	Х
3.2: Environmental compliance assurance and environmental liability regimes (OECD)	
Activity 3.2.1: Strengthening of Compliance Assurance Systems, Instruments, and Tools	V
Activity 3.2.2: Reform of high impact enforcement and compliance promotion instruments, including environmental liability	V

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Included for 2022 upon new request from Armenia.

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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	Х
Activity 3.3.3: Reforming energy subsidies	Х
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	
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	
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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes regional activities.

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

Table 2. Activities in Armenia under Result 1: timeline and expected output targets

									Time	e line										Progress (as of Dec 2021)	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	20			2021	1			2022	2			20	023		Dec 2021)	output target	
,	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4 Q	1	Q2 (	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 1. Greener decision-ma																						
1.1: Green economy ownership,						al coord	dination	ı (UNEP)														
Activity 1.1.1: Survey and large-so	ale trainir	ng of pu	blic sec	tor emp	loyees																	
– General training courses on Green Economy (GE)																				GE course translated	Online course hosted	Call for proposal was issued for the selection of a partner agency to ho the course, and further arrangeme will be made in 2022 – 2023.
– Training civil servants from line ministries to apply GE concepts																				Tailored webinar delivered to 9 nominated public servants with regular assignments and supervision by an international expert		
Activity 1.1.2: Fitness tests/analyti	cal docun	nents of	relevar	nt policy	docum	ents an	d policy	proposal	s									•				
Fitness tests/analytical documents of relevant policy documents and policy proposals																				8 Green Economy policy papers developed (as part of course 1.1.1)	Analysis of at least 2 sectoral policies by trained civil servants	Discussed about the possibility of hiring experts to develop/refine the national GE concept/strategy.
1.2: Sectoral investment plannir	ng and co	mpara	tive and	alysis o	f costs	and be	enefits	(UNEP)							'			_	•	,		
Activity 1.2.1: Investment needs assessment in priority sectors																				Economic analysis on DRS study developed	At least 1 assessment in a selected sector	Following up the results of DRS analysis, development of relevant legal framework necessary for the introduction of the Extended Producer Responsibility system wibe conducted under activity 2.4.2
Activity 1.2.2: Development of investment strategy proposals or																					At 1 investment proposal/action plan for a selected sector	Further discussion whether investment plan is required for DR

12									Ti	me line	)									Progress (as of Dec 2021)	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	)20			20	21			20	)22			20	)23		Dec 2021)	output target	
,	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Support in the development of effective institutional structure for SEA and EIA in line with updated national legislation																				completed	1 report with a set of recommendations to support optimization of institutional structure in line with requirements of revised legislation	
Activity 1.3.2: Comprehensive capa	acity and	institutio	onal bui	lding													•					
- Pilot project on SEA																				Draft gov plan to be formally nominated by Armenia	1 SEA pilot	
Guidelines on the application of EIA, including in a transboundary context																				completed	1 set of guidelines	Guidelines to be reviewed and updated after the adoption of the amended draft law on EIA)
Preparation of Armenian translation of a video on transboundary EIA and its benefits (already prepared by UNECE in English)																				in progress	1 video on transboundary EIA in Armenia	
A model for a SEA database to support application of SEA procedures																				Planned for 2022	1 database model	This is a model only (not a turn-key fully fledged database for an individual country) to be developed as a generic one for all beneficiary countries (applicable as a template for all countries)
																						Leonid: I deleted it, it's not even an activity, just a sentence added by error!
1.4: Awareness, education and p		•			n Econ	omy tra	ansitio	n (UNE	P)													
Activity 1.4.2: Awareness raising ca	ampaigns	or ger	ierai pu	DIIC																		
Awareness raising campaigns for general public																					Public media campaign on GE with widest possible outreach	Possibly in collaboration with the national advertising agency, or other partners put forward by the government

Table 3. Activities in Armenia under Result 2: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities										Time lin	е									Progress (as of Dec	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	20			20	)21			20	22			20	23		2021)	output target	
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 2. Circular e	economy	y and i	new gr	owth o	pportur	nities																
2.1: Resource Efficie Activity 2.1.5: Addition	ent and (	Cleane	r Produ	uction a	among	SMEs	(UNIDC	))														
	Idi KEUF	ASSES	SITIETIK	5						•										,		
Recruitment of demonstration companies																					Around 15 SMEs	Country to confirm priority sectors (fisherie plastics producers)
- Assessment by RECP experts																					10 reports	
– RECP implementation support																					2-3 reports	
Monitoring and success stories																					2-3 reports and at least 10 success stories	
Activity 2.1.6: Raising	awarene	ess and	l sharin	g know	ledge		L		<u> </u>							ı		<u> </u>				
National RECP websites (re)launched and regularly updated																					web presence	Public campaign aimed at awareness raisin on gradual ban of single use plastics.
National RECP Conferences																					2 conferences	
– Thematic awareness events																					2-3 events	
Knowledge sharing platform developed and launched; regular alumni meetings																					3 meetings	

									T	ime lin	е									Progress (as of Dec	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	20			20	21			20	22			20	23		2021)	output target	
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Stakeholders group <sup>3</sup> established																					Regular meetings	
National capacity and institutional activities regularly planned																					Work plans	
2.4: Use of strategic	approa	ches o	n waste	e mana	gemen	t (UNEI	P)															
Activity 2.4.2: Initiating/assisting the establishment of Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) schemes																						Assistance to the development of legal framework for EPR is requested, and detailed plans are under discussion with Armenia.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  RECP/CE-specific stakeholders group will be identified as a part of NIC establishment exercise

Table 4. Activities in Armenia under Result 3: timeline and expected output targets

											Time lin	ne								Progress (as of Dec	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	020			20	)21			20	)22			20	23		2021)	output target	
ANNIENIA	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
RESULT 3. An environr	nental	level play	ying fiel	ld																		
3.1: "Smart" regulation	of env	ironmen	tal impa	icts																		
Activity 3.1.1: Reforming	regulat	ory regim	es for la	arge emis	sion sourc	es, includ	ing State C	owned Er	terprises													
Analysis on the existing approaches		Fact- findin g missi on										Laun ch of analy sis		Final report						To be done	Analytical report	The report will present the current approaches to the regulation of large emission sources and recommendations for
Developing/updating road maps for the reform															Road map					To be done	Roadmap for reform	reform in light of the EU IED.
Training (country- specific, sub-regional or regional - subject to confirmation)															Traini ng					To be done	10-20 government officials trained	
3.2: Environmental con	nplianc	e assura	nce and	denviron	nmental lia	ability reg	imes		l						<u>I</u>	<u> </u>						
Activity 3.2.1: Strengthen	ning of C	Complian	ce Assu	rance Sys	stems, Inst	truments,	and Tools															
Screening the compliance assurance system (CAS), including strengthening/developing criteria for compliance monitoring and reviewing available/potential information-based instruments for compliance promotion		Fact- findin g missi on							Draft revie W		Final CAS revie W									Completed	In-depth CAS review	The CAS review provides a description of the legislative and permitting framework for environmental protection, the institutional set-up for compliance assurance, as well as monitoring, enforcement and compliance promotion activities, identifies gaps and provides recommendations for improvement.  Activity 3.2.1 is combined with Activity 3.2.2.

																			(as of Dec	output target	
	2019			20	)20			20	21			20	)22			20	23		2021)	output tai got	
Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
													Meeti ng on camp aign <sup>4</sup>						To be done	Campaign	A seminar on joint inspections, with the participation of IMPEL.
gh imp	act enfor	cement	and comp	pliance pr	omotion ir	nstruments	i, includin	g environn	nental lial	oility											
	Fact- findin g missi on									Asse ssme nt report			Laun ch of infor matio n collec tion			Legisl ative propo sal			On track / close to final	Assessment report and legislative proposal	Combined with the CAS review under 3.2.1.  These activities were not initially envisaged, but the postponement of a simil activity with Belarus may possible to conduct this work with Armenia.  Support to development legislative proposal will based on the needs expressed by the countrand may be combined with development of legislative regulating damage compensation.
													ch of data			Revie w					This activity was not init envisaged, but the postponement of a simil activity with Belarus ma
													tion								it possible to conduct th work with Armenia.
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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 4}$  Using standard checklists with possible link to 3.1 or waste management.

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											Time lin	ne								Progress (as of Dec	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	020			20	21			20	22			20	)23		2021)	output target	
ARWENIA	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
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.																				Completed		This work was incorporated and completed under Activity 3.3.2.
Activity 3.3.2: Review of	selecte	d nationa	l fundino	gentities																		
Review of selected national public funding entities' practices for providing green finance		Fact findin g missi on	An aly sis		Onlin e stake holde r discu ssion s	Onlin e stake holde r discu ssion s	Analy sis		Publi cation											Completed	Analytical report	Joint EU4Environment / IKI work to improve the incentive frameworks and capacity for green, climate related investments in Eastern Partnership countries and Central Asia
Activity 3.3.4: National ar	nd regio	nal policy	y dialogi	ues on gr	een financ	e and inve																
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 internation al consultant	Selection of an internation al consultant	Prepa ratory work	Onlin e stake holde r discu ssion s	Analy sis and report writin g	Count ry- level asses smen t								On track	Analytical report	This work is part of the regional report on the use of green bonds.
3.4 Administrative capa	acity fo	r enviror	mental	manage	ment																	
Activity 3.4.1: Assessmen	nt of ex	isting and	l require	ed admini	strative ca	pacity in th	ne environ	mental se	ctor													
Analytical report on existing/required administrative capacity in the environmental sector and development of recommendations			Pre par ato ry wo rk, dis				Selec tion of an intern ation al consu	Kick- off event with NACs (15 Jan)	Interv iews	Draft report	Final report	Count ry event								On track	Report	The report presents the current institutional framework for managing environmental and green policies in Armenia and suggestions for reform. It also presents the

											Time lir	ne								Progress (as of Dec	Expected output target	Comments
Selected activities in ARMENIA		2019			20	)20			20	21			20	22			20	023		2021)	3	
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
			cus sio ns wit h SI				Itant															methodological approache and discussion of the evaluation frameworks.
Activity 3.4.2: Provision of	of Expe	t Support	MA t to the N	Ministries	of Enviror	ment and	or Econor	mv														
Plans for administrative strengthening												Laun ch of the plan devel opme nt	Plan for admi nistra tive stren gthen ing							To be done	1 plan	The plan will be prepared on the basis of the analysis (3.4.1). Training may be considered in conjunction with Activity 3.2.3.
Possibly, development of sustainable and targeted training mechanism													Traini ng							To be done	1 training	
Provision of on- going/ad hoc expert support to the Ministry of Environment or the Economy																				No support requested	On as needed basis	

## Table 5. Activities in Armenia 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 Table presents the final country-specific **Plan of Work for Result 4 in Armenia for 2021-2024** of the European Union for Environment Programme (EU4Environment). It builds on initial commitments discussed at the EU4Environment national launch event (April 29, 2019), discussions at the EU4Environment Inaugural Regional Assembly meeting (27-28 June 2019, Brussels), and consultations of the World Bank Team with National Focal Points and responsible officials from the Ministry of Environment of Armenia and the Ministry for Economy of Armenia (July 2021 - September 2021). It takes into account the results of the discussions at the Regional Assembly held on September 21, 2021.

Selected activities in Armenia				Timeli	ne			Expected output target	Comments		
	20	)21		2	022		2023-24				
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q1 Q2 Q3		Q4					
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union fo	r Environm	ent Action									
Output 4.1: Support to protect biodiversity and natural ecosystems (Emer	rald Netwo	rk) (World Ba	ank)								
Activity 4.1.1: Preparing draft action plans in selected sites to advance the esta	blishment c	f the Emeral	d Network a	nd managei	ment of exis	ting sites					
Prepare national action plan to advance the establishment of the Emerald Network. The Action Plans will outline the necessary steps to make a) existing areas better managed and b) prepare management plans for proposed ones. The activity will include support to finalization of potential candidate sites as part of the optimization process currently implemented by the government								Action Plan to advance the establishment of the Emerald Network			
Developing methodology/guidelines for preparing management plans for the Emerald sites								Methodological guidelines			
Developing management plans for 2-3 selected Emerald sites								Management plans			
Capacity building for implementing the guidelines and management plans								Capacity building Report	Capacity building format TBD		
Capacity building/strengthening monitoring for Emerald sites								Capacity building Report	Capacity building format TBD		
	Activity 4.1.2: Regional collaboration and exchange with EU member states, communication and awareness										
Covered by the Regional work plan											
4.2: Promoting sustainable natural resources management, economic de	velopment	and particip	ation at loc	al commur	ity level (W	orld Bank)					
Activity 4.2.1: Baseline mapping for community engagement on forests and oth	er natural r	esources ma	nagement								
Baseline assessment and baseline mapping of community engagement on forests and natural resources management (including a review of community involvement in NRM, assessment of economic opportunities and recommendations for increasing non-timber product production)								1 analytical report with recommendations for further action     1 dissemination event			
Activity 4.2.2: Supporting targeted communities with gaining practical knowled	ge on natur	al resource n	nanagemen	t (NRM)			•				
Supporting community-driven eco - tourism planning in the Emerald Network areas	<u> </u>							TBD			
Activity 4.2.3: Supporting the EaP countries in the development of lessons lear	nt reports										
(This activity is a follow up of activities 4.2.1 and 4.2.3 and will be developed at a later stage)											
4.3: Support to the promotion of legal trade and preventing illegal trade in											
Activity 4.3.1: Strengthening timber/wood trade control systems in the EaP cou											
Develop Guidelines for Forest Product Certification Processes. The Guidelines to include:  - The experience of comparable European countries.  - Certification conditions (criteria).								1 analytical report 1 dissemination event			

Selected activities in Armenia				Timelir				Expected output target	Comments		
		)21			)22		2023-24				
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3 Q4						
RESULT 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods of the European Union for	r Environm	ent Action									
- Obligation of the country to the certification body (membership).											
- Annual costs related to certification.											
- Market opportunities for certified forest products.											
- Analysis on the opportunities for forest certification in the Republic of											
Armenia. Roadmap of the process.											
Develop Guidelines for Forest Management. The Guidelines to include:											
- The experience of European and comparable countries in the forest								1 analytical report			
management system.								1 dissemination event			
- The positive-negative aspects of the forest management system in the								1 disserimation event			
Republic of Armenia, suggestions.											
- Involvement of communities in forest management: mechanisms, financial											
and legal field analysis.											
Activity 4.3.2: Promoting innovation and technology to strengthen export and to	ado control	a over timbe	rlwood								
Develop recommendations for introducing innovative technologies for illegal	aue control	over unibe	T				1	1 set of recommendations			
logging prevention								1 Set of recommendations			
Activity 4.3.3: Awareness raising, communication, trade events			<u> </u>	l	1	. <mark>l</mark>	l				
Covered by the Regional work plan											
4.4: Enhancing strategic financing to the forest and natural resource man	nagement s	ectors (Wor	ld Bank)		ı						
Activity 4.4.1: Developing country investment and financing plans for natural care				ıtilization							
Developing financing/investment plan with clear time-bound implementation											
schemes (including identifying the potential of forests and other land-based								1 report accompanied by financing/investment plan			
NRM sectors, analysing the baseline investment needs and sources in the								inancing/investment plan			
country, calculating the increase in investment needed to realize the											
potential of these sectors, identifying areas for support by donors)											
Developing guidelines for assessing ecosystem services and introducing								Guidelines for assessing ecosystem			
payment mechanisms for ecosystem services								services			
Developing strategic financing plans for the selected Emerald network areas					L						
Activity 4.4.2: Promoting regional and international collaboration  Covered by the Regional work plan			1	<u> </u>	Ι	1	1				
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## Table 6. Activities in Armenia under Result 5: timeline and expected output targets

Selected activities in ARMENIA		Time line															Progress	Expected output	Comments			
	2019			2020			2021					20	22		2023					target		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
5.3: Monitoring of prog	: Monitoring of progress at the economy-environment nexus (OECD)																					
Preparation /update     of country profiles     using indicators				Draft	1st profil e			draft	2 <sup>nd</sup> profil e			3 <sup>rd</sup> profile				4 <sup>th</sup> profile			5 <sup>th</sup> profile	More than initially planned	4 profiles (1 per year)	The 2021 edition was launched at the EU Green Week (27 May 2021) and
Preparation of GGI report												Launch of work			Report					To be done	1 report	was prepared in English and national language.
Development of a policy brief, organising policy debates around key messages from GGI analysis															Policy brief					To be done	1 policy brief	Additional edition of the country profile will be prepared towards end of the Programme.