



# EU4Environment in Ukraine: achievements, ongoing work and plans for 2022-23

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## Result 1. Greener decision making (UNEP)

#### Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

- ✓ Introductory **Green Economy online course** in Ukrainian hosted on UN CC: e-Learning platform, with 235 enrolments
- ✓ On-going consultations to identify an inter-ministerial body for GE dialogue support
- ✓ Consultations to determine scope of public awareness/education campaign on **Green Recovery**
- ✓ Further promotion of Green Economy online course
- ✓ **Lecture series on Green Economy** for universities





## Result 1. Greener decision making (UNECE: SEA/EIA)

#### Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

- ✓ Preparation of a draft bilateral agreement on transboundary EIA procedures between Ukraine and Romania
  - Final draft prepared by September 2022
- ✓ Development of Guidelines on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for Urban Planning Documents (2021-2022)
  - Draft Guidelines prepared by Feb 2022 (subject to a review in light of revisions to Ukraine's urban planning legislation initiated in spring 2022)

- ✓ Update of the **draft Guidelines on SEA for Urban Planning Documents** given recent revisions to Ukraine's urban planning legislation
- ✓ Pilot SEA project
- ✓ Training workshop on SEA or transboundary EIA
- ✓ Awareness raising event on transboundary EIA or SEA (focus to be reconfirmed)
- ✓ Development of awareness raising materials on SEA and transboundary EIA (specific focus to be reconfirmed)



## **EU4Environment**Green Economy in Eastern Partner Countries

## Result 2. Circular economy and new growth opportunities (UNIDO)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

- √ 10 EaP GREEN demonstration SMEs monitored and 8 new RECP Business Cases published
- ✓ RECP assessments of 10 demonstration SMEs launched: assessments of 7 SMEs completed
- ✓ Implementation of RECP work plans of 16 SMEs from Khmelnytskyi and Poltava regions forming 2 RECP Clubs monitored resulting in 16 draft business cases
- ✓ Industrial Waste Mapping assessment completed in 2 regions (Davydiv and Slavuta): reports validated
- ✓ Project web page at <u>www.recpc.org</u> and social media are regularly updated
- ✓ The Circular Economy video launched at a National Circular Economy Conference organized in December 2021
- ✓ SMGP awareness campaign und PEF pilots conceptualised

- Awareness campaign on the EU Single Market for Green Products (SMGP); capacity building and piloting of the SMGP tool (Product Environmental Footpring, PEF) at 3 selected expert-oriented enterprises completed.
- ✓ Additional 15 RECP business cases published, business plans for selected measures developed
- ✓ Support to **relocation of manufacturing SMEs**: preparing baseline for support programs; analysing resource flows in value chains to enhance circularity and increase capacity of SMEs in doing business
- ✓ Developing support mechanism for green/circular industrial transition by enhancing capacities of stakeholders (local authorities, developing agencies, banks, and SMEs) to prepare and implement the SMEsupporting programmes (TBC)





## Result 2. Circular economy and new growth opportunities (UNEP)

#### Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

- ✓ Assessments of SPP implementation and eco-labelling system in Ukraine
- ✓ Two product groups prioritized for SPP (construction of roads and catering services) and sustainability criteria and guidelines developed
- ✓ E-procurement fields developed to insert voluntary/non-price sustainability criteria, and to monitor the results
- ✓ Eco-labelling standards developed for: I) furniture, flooring materials and other timber products and ii) polymer products
- ✓ 4 workshops on SPP and eco-labelling organised: 1) Prioritisation of SPP categories of goods (July 2021): 224 participants; 2) Eco-labels, green markets and SPP (September 2021): 377 participants; 3) New SPP criteria and eco-label standards (October 2021): 353 participants; 4) SPP and new opportunities to support SMEs (October 2021): 295 participants
- ✓ Recommendations developed for elaboration of draft packaging waste law
- ✓ Roadmap to establish an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) system for the packaging waste developed through stakeholder consultations
- ✓ Roadmap developed for engaging with the private sector in establishing the EPR systems for packaging waste
- ✓ 3rd regional capacity building EPR webinar (29 Oct 2021)

- ✓ Further support for the elaboration of the EPR law for packaging waste (tbc)
- Communication materials on SPP and eco-labelling (regional and country-level)
- ✓ Further SPP integration in post-conflict re-building (tbc)
- Capacity development/training for civil servants on contaminated site assessment





## Result 3. Environmental level playing field (OECD)

#### **Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022**

- ✓ Discussions on the support to the creation of the Climate Fund and launch of analysis of environmental expenditures and environmental taxation
- ✓ Representative survey results on public support for climate policy action
- ✓ Inclusion of 2016-19 fossil-fuel subsidies (FFSs) data for Ukraine in the OECD database on FFSs
- ✓ Country-level analysis of the capital market in the country and its readiness to use green bonds as a source of long-term green finance, consultations with key stakeholders
- ✓ Draft report on strengthening the administrative capacity for environmental management
- ✓ Report on the green growth indicators in Ukraine

- ✓ Chapter on greening SMEs in Ukraine in the SME Policy Index publication
- ✓ Review of the environmental compliance system
- Results of analysis of environmental expenditures and environmental taxes in Ukraine
- ✓ Publication comparing different environmental funds in EaP region, including Ukraine, approaches and reform efforts
- ✓ Publication of working paper on results of representative survey on climate policy acceptability in Ukraine
- ✓ National event (TBC) to present the findings of the green growth indicators report
- ✓ Finalization of the report on strengthening the administrative capacity, preparing the roadmap for capacity development and training
- ✓ New edition of the country profile
- ✓ Finalised country-level assessment on green bonds
- ✓ Publication of the Review of Energy Subsidies in the Context of Energy Sector Reforms in Ukraine





## Result 4. Ecosystem services and livelihoods (World Bank)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

#### Plans for 2022-23

- Country Work Plan developed and agreed with the national counterparts;
- ✓ On-going consultations with the national counterparts on recasting Country Work Plan activities in line with new priorities

Activities below are tentative and are to be confirmed /adjusted

- ✓ Conduct damage and needs assessment of environment
- ✓ Develop methodological guidelines on impact assessment and mitigation measures for the Emerald Sites biodiversity aspects and build capacity for implementing the guidelines
- ✓ Develop methodological guidelines on preparing Emerald Site Management Plans and develop Management Plans for 2-3 selected sites
- ✓ Develop draft secondary legislation under the Emerald Network law
- ✓ Identify opportunities and challenges for community involvement/participation in biodiversity conservation and natural resources management





## Result 5. Monitoring progress at environment-economy nexus (OECD)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022

- ✓ New 3d edition of the country profile (English; Ukrainian version is forthcoming)
- ✓ Participation in the national EU Green Deal campaign in Ukraine (November 2021)
- ✓ Participation of Ukraine in the regional communications
   campaigns (European Week For Waste Reduction, EU Green Week)
- ✓ Report on green growth indicators (GGIs) (in English and Ukrainian language)

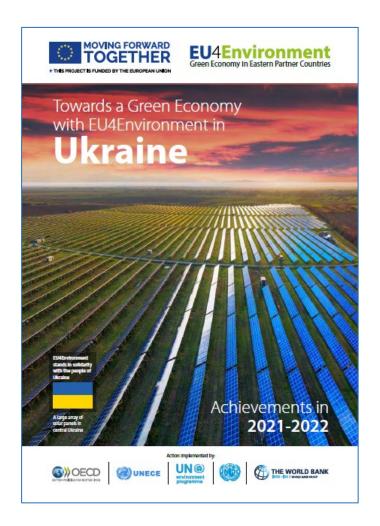
- ✓ New 4th edition of the country profile (in English and Ukrainian languages)
- ✓ Finalization of the GGIs policy brief and "nutshells"
- ✓ Launch of the main findings of the GGIs report, nutshells and policy brief





## NEW 2022 edition of the Country profile





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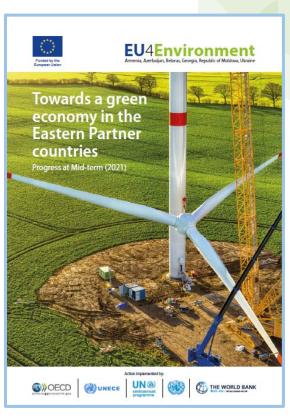




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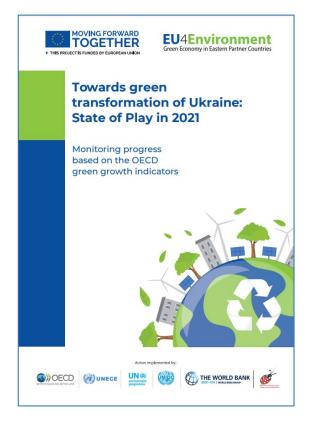


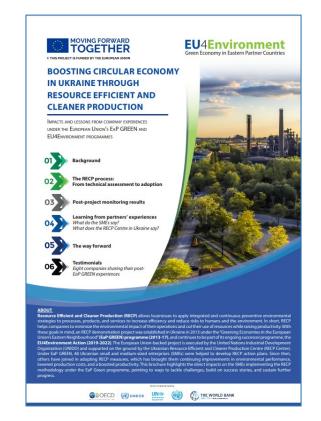






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## Country reports and materials

Video on circular economy

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