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EU4Environment
Green Economy in Eastern Partner Countries

EU4Environment in the **REGION**: achievements, ongoing work and plans for 2022-23

4th Regional Assembly meeting, 22-23 September 2022

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Result 1. Greener decision making (UNEP)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ **Green economy introduction course:** Supported national institutes to deliver introductory training to civil servants, and ensure sustainability beyond EU4Environment

- ✓ **Green economy introduction course:** Continue further support national institutes to deliver introductory training to civil servants, and ensure sustainability beyond EU4Environment
- ✓ Development and delivery of a **lecture series on Green Economy**



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Result 1. Greener decision making (UNECE)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ Second sub-regional workshops on the practical application of **SEA** and **transboundary EIA** – June 2022

- ✓ Development of **SEA database model**



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

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ New **SME-targeted I-GO** tool was introduced for service providers
- ✓ Leaflet to introduce **EU Single Market for Green Products** and its Product Environmental Footprint tool for industrial enterprises and experts of EaP countries prepared
- ✓ Monthly series of selected stories on **RECP assessments of local manufacturing enterprises**
- ✓ Regional meeting on **Greening Small and Medium-sized Enterprises** in the EaP countries
- ✓ Two **regional meetings of RECP experts**

- ✓ **Regional event on piloting Industrial Waste Mapping in the Eastern Partnership countries** (23 September, 2022) and the IWM Guide published
- ✓ Regional **EIP training** for RECP service providers
- ✓ **Regional Consultations on EIP feasibility guidelines** for Eastern Partnership countries; EIP guide published
 - Series of regularly published selected stories on **RECP assessments of local manufacturing enterprises**
 - Two **regional meetings of RECP experts**



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

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ **3rd Regional capacity building workshop on EPR** organized (29 October 2021)
- ✓ **Regional analytical study** assessed the status of the **EPR schemes** for packaging waste

- ✓ **SPP infographics** (video) with sub-titles in 5 national languages
- ✓ **Eco-labelling training manuals** and infographics
- ✓ Further capacity building training on EPR for e-waste
- ✓ Regional experience exchange on eco-innovation for SMEs



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Result 3. Environmental level playing field (OECD)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ Report on **fossil-fuel subsidies** (FFSs), 2010-20 data available in the **OECD FFSs database** and **Policy Highlights** on FFSs in the EaP region, with a focus on 2020 Covid-related FFSs
 - ✓ Regional workshops on **Best Available Techniques** (BAT) in the EaP countries back-to-back with the EU-funded OECD Working Group on BAT
 - ✓ Capacity building seminar on **joint environmental inspections**
 - ✓ Capacity building seminar on **environmental liability**
 - ✓ Regional seminar on **environmental compliance assurance focusing on enforcement of compliance**
 - ✓ Knowledge sharing with IMPEL and EUFJE
 - ✓ Three webinars and trainings on **green public investment programmes**
 - ✓ Four webinars on **greening public expenditure** for government officials on the experience from the EU countries
 - ✓ Two online webinars on managing **public environmental expenditures**: experience from the EU countries (March and June 2021)
 - ✓ Special sessions on **green bonds** at the 2021 Annual OECD GREEN Action Task Force meeting and the Sustainable Finance Forums in EECCA in 2021 and 2022, and a regional meeting on **Greening debt capital markets** in the EaP countries and Kazakhstan in June 2022
- ✓ Regional environmental **compliance assurance seminar** focusing on inspections (5-6 December 2022)
 - ✓ Updated review of **environmental funds**
 - ✓ Publication of a regional report on **Green Bonds markets**
 - ✓ Regional meetings on **green finance** and on **BAT**



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Result 4. Ecosystem Services and Livelihoods (the World Bank)

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

- ✓ **Regional work plan** developed and agreed with the national counterparts
- ✓ EU Green Week 2022 Partner event on biodiversity conservation in the EaP countries, with a focus on resilience of local communities

- ✓ Initiate **regional study** on accounting for ecosystem services in the EaP countries
- ✓ Initiate **regional study** on innovative forest finance and investment
- ✓ Organize **regional workshop and study tour** to exchange experience on management of Natura 2000 sites in the EU countries
- ✓ Develop and introduce **online training course** on legal timber trade and EUTR requirements
- ✓ Conduct **workshop** on e-timber trade platforms and other innovative technologies



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

Progress from Sept 2021 to Sept 2022



Plans for 2022-23

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ EU4Environment Programme Brochure: Progress at mid-term✓ Side event at the European Week for Waste Reduction: “Towards Waste Reduction in the Eastern Partner countries” (25 Nov 2021)✓ Side event at EU Green Week “Biodiversity and Resilience in the Eastern Partner countries: How to make it Real for Local Communities” (1 June 2022)✓ Promotion of EU4Environment around Environment International Days✓ 4th EU4Environment Regional Assembly meetings (22-23 Sept 2022)✓ Updates on EU4Environment website & social media✓ <u>Monthly Newsletters</u> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Regional report and regional meeting on green growth indicators✓ Final Programme Brochure of EU4Environment (2023)✓ Final Regional Assembly meeting (2023)✓ More newsletters, videos, promotion on social media, communications campaigns, coordination with other programmes, & work with “Young EU ambassadors” |



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EU4Environment mid-term Brochure



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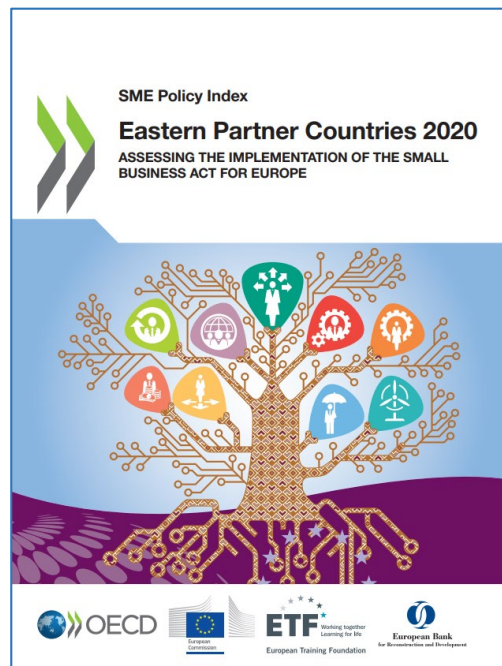
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Regional reports and materials





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Regional videos

Transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment

Sustainable Public Procurement



Green Growth Indicators



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