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2nd Consultation Session at the Emerald Site AM0000025 “Armash” within the Framework of Capacity Building Program

Agenda

5 April 2024, 12:00 (Yerevan Time)

Meeting hall of House of Culture of Ararat City

Shahumyan 36, c. Ararat, Ararat Marz, Armenia

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Background

A set of capacity-building events will be organized as part of the World Bank-led activities under EU4Environment Program sub-component 4.1: Support to protect biodiversity and natural ecosystems (Emerald network). Activities under this sub-component are aimed at advancing the establishment of the Emerald Network and management of the Emerald Sites in the Eastern Partner countries, including Armenia.

Capacity building program will offer a valuable opportunity for government officials, private sector representatives and local communities to enhance their knowledge and skills on biodiversity conservation and management of protected areas. It will also highlight the benefits of implementing the Emerald Network framework.

An important objective of this program is also to organize public consultations in order to gather input and feedback on the draft ESMP. Engaging local communities, considering their traditional knowledge, and increasing public awareness through educational initiatives, can benefit from local support.

Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

Meeting objectives:

The objective of the 2nd consultation session at the pilot Emerald site - AM0000025 “Armash” as part of the capacity building program is to unite local NGOs, associations, local administration, and the business sector. The session will introduce the fundamentals of Emerald site management and management plans principles. Additionally, it will offer a concise explanation of the unique significance of the local Emerald site and the management plan that has been formulated.

Expected outputs:

The participants have gained essential knowledge of the guidelines and methodologies for creating Management Plans for Emerald sites. They have also obtained a thorough insight into

the management and conservation elements of the Emerald Network and have achieved a basic comprehension of the management plan tailored for the AM0000025 “Armash” site.

Expected outcomes:

Participants are equipped with a solid foundation and are able to translate knowledge into practical actions.

Participants

The meeting will gather around 30 participants from different above-mentioned stakeholder groups.

Attendance Information

The format of the event is in-person.

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (EU4Environment – Green Economy) Action helps the Eastern Partnership 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.

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Time	Item
12:00-12:10	<p>Welcome speech</p> <p>Tatevik Zuerker <i>Focal Point on Bern Convention, Advisor to the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Armenia</i></p> <p>Arsen Gasparyan <i>Director, Institute of Botany aft. A. Takhtajyan NAS RA</i></p>
12:10-12:40	<p>Introduction to Emerald Network. Description of the pilot Emerald Site-AM0000025 “Armash” and specific protected objects</p> <p>Alla Aleksanyan <i>Coordinator of International Relations & Cooperation, senior researcher, Institute of Botany aft. A. Takhtajyan NAS RA</i></p>
12:40-13:00	<p>Conservation Objectives, Conservation Measures and Monitoring in Developed Management Plan for Armash Site</p> <p>Georgi Fayvush <i>Head of Department of Geobotany and Ecophysiology, Institute of Botany aft. A. Takhtajyan NAS RA</i></p>
13:00-13:30	<p>Discussing Management Options Proposed in the Developed Management Plan for Armash Site</p> <p>Arsen Gasparyan <i>Director, Institute of Botany aft. A. Takhtajyan NAS RA</i></p>
13:30-13:40	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Alla Aleksanyan <i>Coordinator of International Relations & Cooperation, Senior Researcher, Institute of Botany aft. A. Takhtajyan NAS RA</i></p>