

WESTERN BALKANS ENVIRONMENTAL HOT SPOTS PROGRAMME

Regional Management Unit
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REGIONAL COOPERATION

REGIONAL PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT UNIT

- **MISSION: STRENGTHENING REGIONAL COOPERATION IN THE WESTERN BALKANS REGARDING HOT SPOTS REMEDIATION**
- **OUTPUT: ENHANCING REGIONAL COOPERATION THROUGH REGIONAL MEETINGS, STUDY TOURS AND EFFICIENT PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION/ COORDINATION**

REGIONAL COOPERATION

REGIONAL MANAGEMENT UNIT - BUDGET: 1.4 MILLION USD

THE MAIN AIMS:

- ENHANCE DIALOG
- EXCHANGE OF BEST PRACTICES
- EXCHANGE OF EXPERTISE AND
- NETWORKING

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- MEETINGS / EVENTS – 9
- TRAININGS – 2
- STUDY TOURS – 5

REGIONAL COOPERATION

REGIONAL MEETINGS ORGANIZED:

- KICK-OFF MEETING – DECEMBER 2007
- COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY WORKSHOP – FEBRUARY 2008
- FIRST REGIONAL TEAM MEETING ON PROGRAMME PROGRESS – MAY 2008
- REGIONAL TEAM MEETING ON STUDY TOUR EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE, PROGRAMME PROGRESS AND TEAM BUILDING – DECEMBER 2008
- PROMOTING REGIONAL COOPERATION THROUGH TEAM BUILDING – JUNE 2009
- NON-VIRTUAL PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING – JUNE 2009
- REGIONAL EXPERT MEETING – NOVEMBER 2009
- PROGRAMME PROGRESS MEETING – JUNE 2010
- **PROMOTION OF THE DOCUMENTARY MOVIE “WESTERN BALKANS – 8 STEPS FORWARD” – JUNE 2010**

MORE THAN 200 PEOPLE FROM THE REGION PARTICIPATED IN THE REGIONAL MEETINGS (DEC 2007 – JUNE 2010)

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TRAININGS ORGANIZED:

- ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND FIELD SURVEILLANCE TRAINING – MAY 2009
- EXCHANGE WORKSHOP ON CAPACITY BUILDING AND POLICY INTEGRATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT – MAY 2009

➤ MORE THAN 20 PEOPLE WERE TRAINED

REGIONAL STUDY TOURS IMPLEMENTED:

- **“CLEANER PRODUCTION IN INDUSTRY”** – AUSTRIA, SEPTEMBER 2008
- **“POTENTIALS FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ON REHABILITATED MINE SITES”** – SLOVENIA, OCTOBER 2008
- **“REMEDICATION OF MINING SITES”** – CZECH REPUBLIC, OCTOBER 2008
- **“LEARNING FROM SLOVAK EXPERIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND REMEDIATION OF PRIORITY MINE SITES”** – SLOVAK REPUBLIC, OCTOBER 2009
- **“FINANCIAL MECHANISMS FOR REMEDIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HOT SPOTS”** – POLAND, MAY 2010

➤ MORE THAN 50 PEOPLE FROM THE REGION WERE AT THE STUDY TOURS

Cleaner Production in Industry, September 2008, Austria



Potentials for Tourism Development on Rehabilitated Mining Sites October 2008, Slovenia



Mining Sites Rehabilitation and Management October 2008, Czech Republic



Learning from Slovak experience on Environmental Management and Remediation of priority Mine sites October 2009, Slovak Republic



Financial Mechanisms for Remediation of Environmental Hot Spots

June 2010, Poland



IMPORTANCE OF REGIONAL COOPERATION

➤ ENGAGEMENT IN COMMON EVENTS

- STUDY TOURS ON MINING IN CZECH REPUBLIC, SLOVENIA, SLOVAKIA AND CLEANER PRODUCTION/IPPC IN AUSTRIA;
- ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING TRAINING, EXPERT WORK SHOP, NEEDS ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP;
- INTERREGIONAL PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL LEVEL PRACTITIONER TRAINING (I.E CHEMICALS, MINING, AIR/WATER MONITORING IN ALBANIA)

➤ POOLING OF RESOURCES

- SHARING AND COMPARISON OF TERMS OF REFERENCE, IDENTIFYING AND ACCESSING INTERNATIONAL EXPERTISE , TRAINERS AND SPECIALISED INFORMATION SERVICES, BEST PRACTICE;
- ADVISING ON FIELD EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCUREMENT, PROVISION OF ANALYTICAL SERVICES;
- DEVELOPMENT OF THE WESTERN BALKANS PRACTITIONER DATABASE AND LINK WITH ONGOING INITIATIVES (I.E. ENVSEC) .



IMPORTANCE OF REGIONAL COOPERATION

➤ PROGRAMME ASPECTS OF REGIONAL COOPERATION

- FYR MACEDONIA – MINING RELATED EXPERTISE IN UNATSCR 1244 KOSOVO (ARTANA REPROCESSING TRIAL/T1 DESIGN/ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING ETC);
- UNATSCR 1244 KOSOVO SURVEY TEAM FOR ALBANIA (REPS/RRESHEN TAILINGS DAMS DETAILED DESIGN) ;
- FYR MACEDONIA - FEASIBILITY OF COPPER RECOVERY FROM MINE DRAINAGE WATER (ALBANIAN COPPER MINE SITES);
- ALBANIA – DEMONSTRATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN TAILING DAM RAPID RISK REDUCTION FOR ALL WB COUNTRIES/TERRITORIES (REPS/RRESHEN) – ENVSEC Program



NEXT STEPS

- ENHANCING REGIONAL COOPERATION, THROUGH COORDINATION AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND ACCESS TO RELEVANT EXPERTISE /EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION
 - DEVELOPMENT OF MECHANISMS FOR EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE AND COORDINATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL/INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS;
 - DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE HUBS AND A CULTURE OF INFORMATION OWNERSHIP IN MINISTRIES, INSTITUTIONS ETC FOR CAPTURE OF DATA/KNOWLEDGE;
 - DEVELOP/ENHANCE REGIONAL PRACTITIONERS DATABASE, ROSTER OF EXPERTS AND COMPANY INVENTORY;
 - STENGTHEN FUNCTIONAL LINKAGES WITH INTERNATIONAL KNOWLEDGE CENTRES



NEXT STEPS

- SYSTEMATIC COLLECTION OF INFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MECHANISMS FOR PRIORITISING ACTIONS, FINANCING AND MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL HOTSPOTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BEST PRACTICE
 - **DEVELOP/ ENHANCE REGIONAL “HOT SPOTS” INVENTORIES AND ASSESSMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A STANDARDISED PRACTISE;**
 - **IDENTIFICATION OF FINANCING MECHANISMS AND STRATEGIES FOR “HOT SPOTS” REMEDIATION AND MANAGEMENT (IE ECO FUNDS, GREEN TAXES, PP, REDEVELOPMENT, COST RECOVERY);**
 - INCREASING KNOWLEDGE OF EU/INTERNATIONAL POLICY AND PRACTICES ON REMEDIATION AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HOTSPOTS .



NEXT STEPS

- **FURTHER DEVELOPING PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE IN “HOT SPOTS”**
REMEDICATION AND MANAGEMENT
 - CLOSING THE IDENTIFIED GAPS IN AVAILABILITY THROUGH DEVELOPMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
 - STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL AND PRACTITIONER CAPABILITIES TO ADDRESS **REMEDICATION AND MANAGEMENT OF “HOT SPOTS”**
 - STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS REGIONALLY AND WITH EXTERNAL BODIES TO DEVELOP EXPERTISE
 - EXPANSION OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION AND ACCREDITATION BODIES



ALBANIA

- **BAJZA – cleaned area offers new possibilities (waste management, garbage truck)**
- **Extensive regional cooperation – trainings (16 days of quality environmental training in addition to national stakeholders)**
- **3 extra clean-up interventions**



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

- **TUZLA - ENERGY EFFICIENT CITY - MUNICIPAL DRIVE (CD + PARC + PILOT PROJECTS)**
- **AIR POLLUTION DECREASED (LUNG DISEASE HOSPITALS + COMMUNITIES)**



MONTENEGRO

- CHANGING THE IMAGE OF THE CITY
- OFFERING NEW DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS (ORGANIC PRODUCTION, NATURE BASED TOURISM: KAYAKING, HIKING, BIKING ...)
- 19 HA OF USABLE SURFACE



SERBIA

- HIGH QUALITY OF PROJECT DELIVERABLES
- RELIABLE PARTNERS
- GOOD SYNERGIES OF ALL THREE PROJECT COMPONENTS
- FORUMS



THE FYR MACEDONIA

- BUCIM MINE - PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP
- TECHNICAL INNOVATIONS – POSSIBILITY FOR REPLICATION
- LOJANE – JOINT EFFORTS OF DONOR + UNDP = COUNTRY COMMITMENT



UNATSCR 1244 KOSOVO

➤ LIVING WITH LEAD

➤ WORKS IN T2 AND ZARKOV POTOK (MITROVICA)
SUCCESSFUL



THANK YOU!

