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Workshop

“ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM”

AGENDA

Thursday, 30 July 2020

Start: 13:00 CET

End: 17:00 CET

Friday, 31 July 2020

Start: 9:00 CET

End: 13:00 CET

Format: web-based video conferencing (MS Teams)

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Workshop “Environmental Management System”

30-31 July 2020

Background

A workshop on “Environmental Management Systems” is part of the specialized RECP training within the programme “European Union for Environment (EU4Environment)”.

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a framework that helps an organization achieve its environmental goals through consistent review, evaluation, and improvement of its environmental performance.

An EMS helps an organization address its regulatory requirements in a systematic and cost-effective manner. This proactive approach can help reduce the risk of non-compliance and improve health and safety practices for employees and the public. An EMS can also help address non-regulated issues, such as energy conservation, and can promote stronger operational control and employee involvement. Basic Elements of an EMS include the following:

- Implementing an environmental policy
- Analysing its environmental impacts and legal requirements;
- Setting environmental objectives and targets to reduce environmental impacts and comply with legal requirements;
- Establishing a programme to meet these objectives and targets;
- Defining procedures for the implementation of the EMS
- Monitoring and measuring progress in achieving the objectives;
- Ensuring employees' environmental awareness and competence; and,
- Reviewing progress of the EMS and making improvements.

The RECP approach supports the implementation of an environmental management system by providing targeted methods for: Analysing of the environmental aspects, implementation of the environmental action plan, definition of environmental targets, definition of indicators and monitoring and controlling. The environmental management system ensures the implementation of the continuous improvement cycle and it involves all levels of the organisation. The EMS itself does not dictate a level of environmental performance that must be achieved. Each organization's EMS is tailored to the its own individual objectives and targets. This systematic approach documents a responsible attitude of an organisation towards the environment and today is appreciated by clients, authorities, and the public.

Training objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

Participant will learn:

- reviewing the organization's environmental performance;
- setting priorities for action and identifying appropriate organisational and technical measures;

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- setting environmental objectives and targets to reduce environmental impacts and comply with legal requirements;
 - monitoring and measuring progress in achieving the objectives;
 - ensuring employees' environmental awareness and competence;
 - preparing the implementation of a recognised management system.

Participants

The training will gather experienced RECP experts from EaP countries.

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (**EU4Environment**) aims to help the six partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine 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 Action is funded by the European Union and implemented by five Partner organisations: OECD, UNECE, UN Environment, UNIDO and the World Bank based on a budget of some EUR 20 million. The Action implementation period is 2019-2022.

More information: <http://www.oecd.org/site/eu4environment/>

Agenda

Time (CET)	Item
30 July 2020	
13:00	Welcome Introduction to software and rules, introduction of participants
13:30	Environmental management: ISO 14001, high level structure, continuous improvement, EMS as a continuation of RECP, benefits of EMS, success factors, management commitment
14:00	Organisation and environment: Stakeholder analysis, context of the organisation, environmental policy, and environmental team
14:30	Exercise: Stakeholder analysis for the company case, environmental policy, environmental team
15:10	Evaluation of the exercise
15:20	Break
15:30	Initial assessment: Planning of environmental aspects, risk based thinking, legal compliance, objectives, action plan
16:00	Exercise: Identification of environmental aspects
16:40	Evaluation of the exercise
16:50	Questions and answers
31 July 2020	
09:00	Welcome
09:10	EMS elements: Competence, awareness, communication and documentation
09:45	Exercise: Communication plan, training plan, procedure environmental aspects
10:30	Evaluation of the exercise
10:40	Questions and answers
10:45	Break
11:00	EMS elements 2: Operational planning and control, emergency preparedness, performance evaluation, internal audit, management review
11:45	Exercise: Indicators, Internal audit
12:25	Evaluation of the exercise
12:35	Questions and answers, summary, further steps