

**Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E)
Actions by Azerbaijan**

Country: Azerbaijan

Title:

Strengthening the implementation of environmental dimensions of SDG in Azerbaijan

Focus area 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 Improve the measurement and valuation of natural capital; Promote the internalization of negative externalities and the sustainable use of natural capital; Enhance ecosystems and ecosystem services as part of ecological infrastructure; Shift consumer behaviours towards sustainable consumption patterns; Promote green and fair trade; Increase green and decent jobs, while developing the necessary human capital; Improve access to services, healthy living and well-being; Promote public participation and education for sustainable development

Description of the action: Implementation and reporting of environmental dimensions of SDGs in Azerbaijan

Action's timeframe/milestones, as appropriate: till 2030 years

Type of action: strategy and policy development, establish platform for dialogue with relevant national stakeholders, improve inter-sectoral cooperation and capacity building

Economic sectors: sectors, including: agriculture, energy, manufacturing, transport, water, tourism and housing, buildings and construction

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: State programmes, and cooperation with UNECE UNEP, UNDP, EU, UNIDO, EEA, OECD, REC Caucasus, and other interested partners

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: Input to implementation to EfE process and to implementation of national state programmes of Azerbaijan

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: ---

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR)

Recommendations, as appropriate: Most of recommendations outlined in first and second reviews of Azerbaijan were successfully realized. At the same time relevant actions are being carried out on remaining topics.

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate:

1. Promoted the shift to Low Carbon and Circular Economy
2. Enhanced education for sustainable development
3. Improved Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS)
4. Promoted the Resource Efficiency and Cleaner Production
5. Strengthened deployment of Clean Technologies

6. Achieved reduction of environmental harmful subsidies

Partners:

Relevant government institutions, Academia, international organizations, private sector

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