



Meeting of the EECCA Coordinating
Group and joint workshop with the
Task Force on Techno-Economic
Issues under the Convention

St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

19-20 September 2018

Capacity-building programme to promote ratification and implementation in EECCA

Comprehensive capacity building programme

- Encourage ratification of the Convention and its protocols
- Raise the political profile of the Convention
- Increase cooperation and exchange of information
- Support EECCA involvement in the activities of the Convention.

2014-2018, managed by the secretariat and funded by a number of Parties



Increased political profile of the Convention and raised awareness among decision-makers

- High-level meetings
- Press articles, publications
- Eighth “Environment for Europe” Ministerial Conference (Batumi, Georgia, June 2016)

Six EECCA countries (AM, AZ, BY, GE, MD, UZ) submitted voluntary commitments to the BACA

...launched information campaigns, ...the country commitments, was ... Batumi, who handed over balloons to ... for their future. ... threat. Worldwide, 7 million people — ... as a result of exposure to air pollution, ... and the climate. Recent peaks of air ... stark reminder that this is an acute and ... nation (WHO). 90 per cent of the urban ... (PM2.5) concentrations above WHO ...

... a local problem. Pollutants emitted in ... and public health in others. In many ... pollution already exceeds the WHO ... to reduce air pollution. ...

... being held in Batumi, Georgia, from 10 ... in the pan-European region. ... of the Conference. It was developed by ... boundary Air Pollution (Air Convention), ... and other stakeholders with a list of ... problems. It is meant to serve as ... will help governments to improve ... pollution, including under the UNECE Air ... for Europe, the UNECE governing body.

Support provided
to ratification of
the protocols

**Roundtable discussion to present the results of
the legislation analysis:**

2015: Uzbekistan

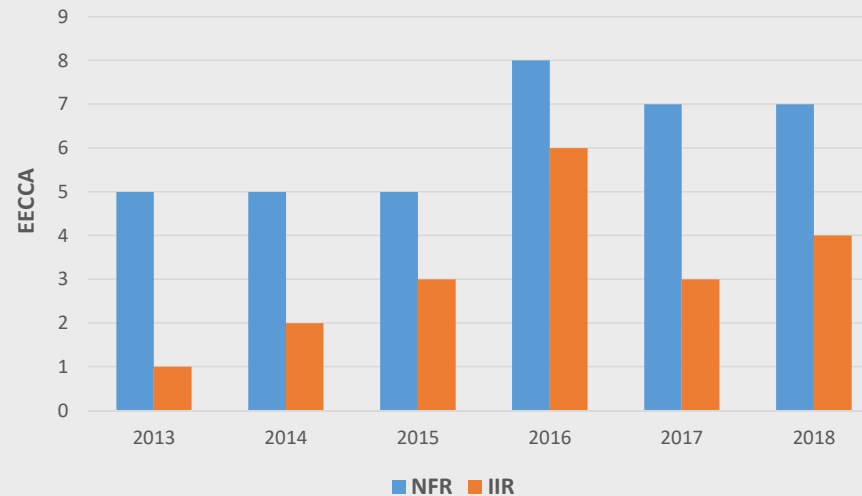
2016: Kyrgyzstan; Kazakhstan

2017: Azerbaijan; Tajikistan

2018: Ukraine (25 Sept); Georgia (3 Oct)

Reporting on
emissions by EECCA
has considerably
improved

	Phase I	Phase II
2014	AZ, GE MD	
2015	AM, KZ, UA, UZ	
2016	KG	
2017	TJ	KZ, GE, AZ
2018		AM, MD, KG, TJ, UA, UZ





Increased participation of EECCA experts in the meetings and activities under the Convention



- Workshop on BAT back-to-back with TFTEI (Berlin, 2016)
- Subregional Workshop "Get your right to a healthy community" (Minsk, 2016)
- Saltjöbaden VI workshop (Gothenburg, 2018)
- Meeting of TFEIP (Milan, 2015), (Krakow, 2017) (Sofia, 2018)
- EECCA CG meeting on the promotion of actions towards ratification (St. Petersburg, 2016, 2018)
- Subregional Workshop on GAINS model for EECCA countries ([Vienna, 2018](#))
- Participation of EECCA delegates in regular meetings under the Convention in Geneva (WGSR, EMEP/WGE, EB)

Outreach and contribution to other capacity building activities

- WHO Training Workshop on Air Quality and Health-Strengthening Capacities in Assessing Health Risks of Air Pollution (Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 12-16 November 2018)
- Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) workshop (Almaty, Kazakhstan, 20-21 November 2018)

Prospects for further work

- Raise political profile of Convention and awareness among decision-makers
- Advice on aligning the national legislation with the Convention's provisions or on steps that can be undertaken towards ratification
- Information sharing on BATs, integrated permitting procedure and other cost-effective measures
- Technical support on emission inventories and emission projections development



Indirect support in achieving other air quality goals



- Contribution to the achievement of a number of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 3, SDG 11, SDG 12)
- Compliance with commitments under the Batumi Action for Cleaner Air (BACA)
- Implementation of bilateral agreements regarding approximation to EU standards and legislation





Thank you for your attention !

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