

NGOs TO BE INVOLVED IN THE WORK UNDER THE PROTOCOL

1. The Protocol on Water and Health includes comprehensive provisions for access to information, public participation and access to justice. In particular, its article 16, para 3 (f) requires that the Meeting of the Parties establishes the modalities for the participation of competent non-governmental bodies in all meetings and other activities under the Protocol.
2. The draft rules of procedure state that “relevant non-governmental organizations, qualified or having an interest in the fields to which the Protocol relates, that have requested to be so notified” shall be notified by the joint secretariat of the date and venue of the meetings of the Parties (and of other meetings under the Protocol) (rule 5). The draft rules of procedure also state that relevant non-governmental organizations (NGOs), qualified or having an interest in the fields to which the Protocol relates, shall be entitled to participate as observers in meetings of the Parties (and in other meetings under the Protocol) unless one third of the Parties present at that meeting objects.
3. The Working Group may wish to consider the list of NGOs in the annex and propose additions or amendments. The compilation in the annex was put together with information directly provided to the secretariat from interested NGOs and thanks to the assistance of ECOFORUM, which coordinated the main part of the inputs.
4. The Working Group may wish to request the joint secretariat to use the amended list for the notification and invitation of NGOs to the first meeting of the Parties. It might also wish to encourage NGOs to coordinate as far as possible their participation to the meetings under the Protocol.

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Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF), Germany	a network of about 70 NGOs and individuals in over 30 countries	Sascha Gabizon (International Director) Anke Stock (Environmental and Women's Rights Officer)	+49 892 023 2390	+49 892 023 2391	sascha.gabizon@wecf.org anke.stock@wecf.org	www.wecf.org	WECF is working for sustainable development, protection of human health and environment and poverty reduction. Many projects of WECF are concerned with ecosanitation and water supply.	http://www.wecf.de/cms/download/ecosan_flyer_en.pdf and http://www.wecf.de/cms/download/Mentruation%20factsheet.pdf
Environmental Law Center, Poland	15	Magdalena Bar	+48 713 436 695	+48 713 410 197	cpe@eko.wroc.pl	http://cpe.eko.org.pl	Environmental Law Center is an independent think tank and advisory body which specialises in national, EU and international environmental law. Scope of ELC's activities includes - among others issues of environmental law - also water protection issues.	In 2004 we prepared and published a book 'UN ECE multilateral environmental agreements and their compliance and enforcement mechanisms', M. Bar, J. Jendroska, Environmental Law Center, Wroclaw 2004, 318 pages
NGO "Foundation to support civil initiatives", Tajikistan	26	Muazama Burkhanova, Irina Korsakova	+99 237 221 5857	+99 237 221 5857	fsci@intercom.tj irinak64@mail.ru	http://fsci.freenet.tj	- Environment & Sustainable Development, - Local Environmental Actions Plans Development (water, sewerage, waste, transport, health issues), - Millennium Development Goals (Goal 7, water and sewerage issues)	http://fsci.freenet.tj/
Union for Defense of the Aral Sea and Amudarya, Uzbekistan	about 30	Yusup Kamalov, Chairman	+99 861 222 8756	+99 861 222 8756	udasa@rol.uz	http://udasa.freene.t.uz (in Russian)	Fighting for rights for water along the rivers including natural systems providing	www.seu.ru/news_en/npb.php?key_issue=4&key_atcl=0&qrecords=10 www.unece.org/env/water/meetings/ecosystem/seminar.htm Russian
NGO "Eco-logic", Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina	50	Dragan Chomich	+38 7 5121 9343, mob. +38 7 6539 2873	+38 7 512 17843	academic-eco-logic@blic.net	under construction	Our main mission is to do different activities for Environmental protection, protection of peoples health and sustainable development. Our activities are based on researching, analyses, measures proposals, monitoring of natural resources especially monitoring of: air, water, soil, biodiversity of flora and fauna, and protection from unhealthy influence of noise, vibrations, dust, different gasses, fire, explosions and other unhealthy influences. NGO "Eco-logic" was/is repository of many national and international projects concerning environmental and health protection.	

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Public Association Greenwomen/ Environmental News Agency/, Kazakhstan	7	Lydia Astanina	+7 327 247 4537	+7 327 247 4537	greenwomen@nursat.kz	www.greenwomen.freenet.kz	We would like to present the following project - on-line teaching module for environmental journalists in Russian. Module presents structured information on ecological conventions implemented by Central Asian countries; Central Asian countries ecological problems; water and Health Protocol, chemical problems; biodiversity and biosafety; climate changing etc.	Module presents also information on ecological laws, strategies, ecological and sustainable development policy in Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tadjikistan, Uzbekistan), ecological journalism subjects etc. http://odl.unesco.kz
Eco-TIRAS International Environmental Association of River Keepers, Moldova	47 NGOs	Ilya Trombitsky	+37 322 225 615	+37 322 225 615	ecotiras@mtc.md	www.eco-tiras.org	Public awareness on Protocol, actions along the Dniester River to implement the Protocol on local level	- Report on public participation in environment & health issues in Moldova for London (1999) ministerial conference. - International Conference 'Integrated Management of Natural Resources in the Transboundary Dniester River Basin'. Proc. Int. Conf. Chisinau, 2004. 396 p. http://www.eco-tiras.org/conference.htm
"Ecospectrum", Moldova	10	Ivan Ignatiev	+37 355 269 304, +37 377 774 360	+37 355 269 304 +37 377 774 360	ecospectrum@mail.ru		Member of the national working group of the project Transboundary cooperation and sustainable management of the Dniester river (OSCE/UNECE), 2004 - 2005.	

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"Water-Pollution and Health" Working Group of ANPED	11 NGOs, total members 282	Igor Hadjamberdiev	+99 631 262 1487	+99 631 266 6334	igorho@mail.ru igorho2000@yahoo.com	www.anped.org/working-groups/water-pollution-and-health	1) NGOs association For Civil Society" (1998-2003) and as pivot of network created 2004 "Water-Pollution and Health" (mostly consists of Central Asian NGOs) under ANPED umbrella: -work in Water Users Associations/ Drinking Water Users, creation and capacity building; -work on thrifty water sharing tools in Fergana valley, which cover over three states territory; -introduce university course (Bishkek, Karakol, Osh, Fergana, Dushanba) about water problems of the region; -awareness of communities about water epidemics and sanitary habit. 2) Participation in international agreements and conventions processes as Central Asian NGOs representatives in international conferences.	1) Computer-mapping of ecological ranking of Tien-Shen territory // Environment Ass conf, Praque, 1996, v.4, p.703-706. 2) Health Dangerous Process on Turkestan Territory //in: Quality of Life: Int Geogr Soc. Cong. Cong, Prague, 1996, CD-ROM. 3) Medico-ecological Problems of Alpine Territories // Kyrg Geog Society, Bishkek, 1998, 54 pp. Booklet, in Russian. 4) Cyanide Pollution Danger in Tien-Shan //Bishkek, 2000, 56 pp. Booklet, in Russian. Supported by McArthurs Fund. 5) POP Problems in Central Asian Water, //in: 2-nd Congr "Ecological Chemistry", Chisinau, 2002, p.194-105. 6) Water is a Central Problem of Central Asia //in: Riversymposium.au.com/archive/2004***Hadjamberdiev,Shablovsky. 7) Irrigation Problems of Central Asia, //in: anped.org/working_group/wph. 8) POP danger in irrigation plant // booklet, parallel text - in Russian, Uzbek, Kyrgyz, Bishkek 2004, pp.54. Supported by IPEN-GEF. 9) Water-thrifty Tools in Central Asia, //in: Nothern Lights (Newsletters, quarterly), August 2005,p.4-7.
"Independent Environmental Expertise", Kyrgyzstan	7	Oleg Pecheniuk	+99 631 247 8372	+99 631 247 8372	expertise@infotel.kg		Improvement of environmental policy and law, lobbying	
The European ECO-Forum, Water Issue Group NGO "Living environment", Ukraine	more than 200 NGOs	Serhiy Vykhryst	+38 067 710 1197 +38 044 278 3101	+38 044 279 5514	serhiyv@bk.ru	www.eco-forum.org	Active participation in the Protocol's development and implementation both on international, national and local levels	www.eco-forum.org
Armenian Women for health & Healthy Environment/ AWHHE	49	Elena Manvelyan MD PhD	+374 10 523604	+37410 523604	office@awhhe.am	www.awhhe.am	Implementation of the project Water & Sanitation Improvement in Rural Areas Investigation related to water contamination; health risk assessment; raising awareness campaigns on water born diseases	publications http://www.awhhe.am/publications.html researches http://www.awhhe.am/research.html

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Ukrainian National Environmental NGO "MAMA-86", Ukraine	11 NGOs	Anna Tsvetkova	+38 044 278 3101	+38 044 279 5514	atsvet@mama-86.org.ua	www.mama-86.org.ua	<p>- "Drinking Water in Ukraine" Campaign (raising public awareness on water quality and its influence on health; supporting in resolving drinking water problems at the local level; and involving public in solving these problems)</p> <p>- Environmental policy — (protection of interests of Ukrainian citizens, NGOs at the local, national and international levels, lobbying the decisions contributing in development of civil society, introducing the principles of sustainable development in Ukraine)</p> <p>- Environmental health action plans (EHAPs) – a series of different projects focused on public involvement in development and discussion of EHAPs at national and local levels</p>	Implementation of the Technical Solutions of Drinking Water Problems, Carried Out Ukrainian Environmental NGO MAMA-86 In the Framework of the Pilot Projects Program Within the Campaign "Drinking Water in Ukraine" 2001-2003 (PDF) http://www.mama-86.org.ua/files/drwater2004_e.pdf

Additional NGOs involved in the work of the Working Group on Water and Health

- AquaFed (International Federation of Private Water Operators)
- Consumers International
- EUREAU (European union of national associations of water suppliers and waste water services)
- ISO (International Organization for Standardization)

Additional NGOs involved in the work under the Water Convention

- Caucasus Environmental NGO Network (CENN)
- Earthjustice
- ECORES
- Global Water Partnership
- Green Cross International
- International Rainwater Harvesting Alliance
- IUCN - The world conservation union
- Peipsi Center for Transboundary Cooperation
- WWF
- World Business Council for Sustainable Development