Dear Maryna,

I would like to inform you, that I have put 2 news on the Aarhus Clearinghouse, as Mr Kristof Douçot had provided me with the admin rights to upload resources and news on it.

The second one I have just put. It devoted to the forthcoming event. Please kindly see it below.

On November 20, a discussion will be held in Yerevan Aarhus Center on the conclusion of the implementation of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee First progress review of the implementation of decision V/9a on compliance by Armenia with its obligations under the Convention.

Great interest and concern has arisen among the NGOs, mass media and other interested parties on the conclusion submitted to the RA government on the implementation of the v/9a decision about Armenia of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee. Many people immediately apply to the Aarhus Centers to get explanations and information on the seriousness of the issue. Environmental non-governmental organizations attach much importance to the proper implementation of the requirements of the Convention in Armenia. Environmental Public Alliance, the Aarhus Centers in Armenia have repeatedly appealed to the RA prime minister and the relevant fractions of the NA on non-compliance of the legislation with the provisions of the Convention. They have raised the issue of lack public participation in decision-making process. Even the Ombudsman has noted in his annual report (2015) noncompliance of the new EIA law with the Compliance Committee decisions on Armenia.

Given this fact and various comments in relation to this issue the Aarhus Centres in Armenia have initiated a discussion with all interested parties, which will be held in Yerevan Aarhus Center, on November 20, at 16:00.

With kind regards Mari

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