

# Achievements and opportunities in implementing the PRTR Protocol

## EU Experience

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# E-PRTR: web-tool

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- ➔ The E-PRTR is a key tool for ensuring **citizens' participation** in environmental matters and policy making
- ➔ The E-PRTR website is a **dynamic and transparent tool**, built on the precious EPER and goes beyond the requirements of the PRTR Protocol
- ➔ The E-PRTR shows data of some **25 000 facilities** since its launch in November 2009

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## E-PRTR

The European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register



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Welcome to E-PRTR

The **European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (E-PRTR)** is the new Europe-wide register that provides easily accessible key environmental data from industrial facilities in European Union Member States and in Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. It replaces and improves upon the previous European Pollutant Emission Register (EPER).

The new register contains data reported annually by some **24,000 industrial facilities** covering 65 economic activities across Europe.

For each facility, information is provided concerning the amounts of pollutant releases to air, water and land as well as off-site transfers of waste and of pollutants in waste water from a list of 91 key pollutants including heavy metals, pesticides, greenhouse gases and dioxins for the year 2007. Some information on releases from diffuse sources is also available and will be gradually enhanced.

The register contributes to transparency and public participation in environmental decision-making. It implements for the European Community the UNECE (United Nations Economic Commission for Europe) PRTR Protocol to the Aarhus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters.

### News!

31 March 2010

Switzerland in E-PRTR

31 March 2010

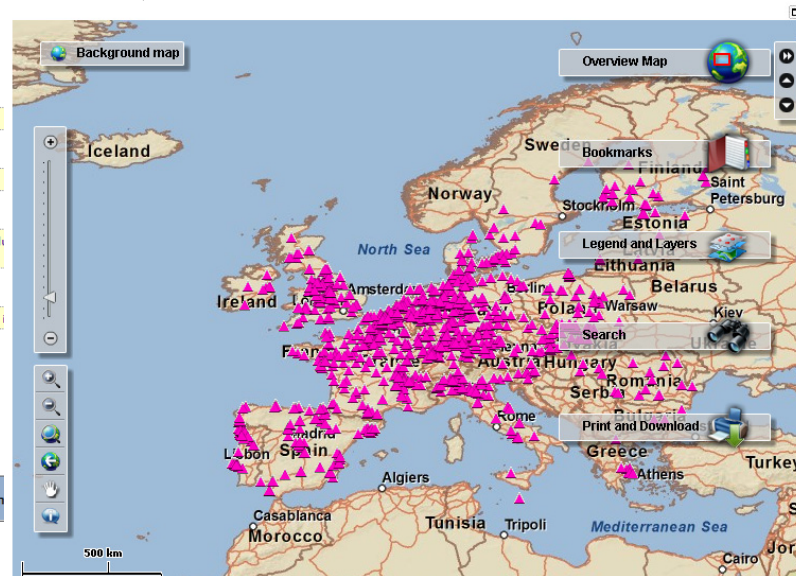
New Data in E-PRTR (2008)

25 November 2009

E-PRTR data reporting introduced

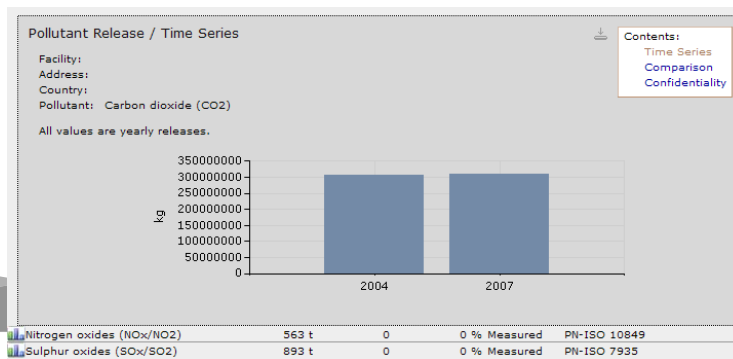
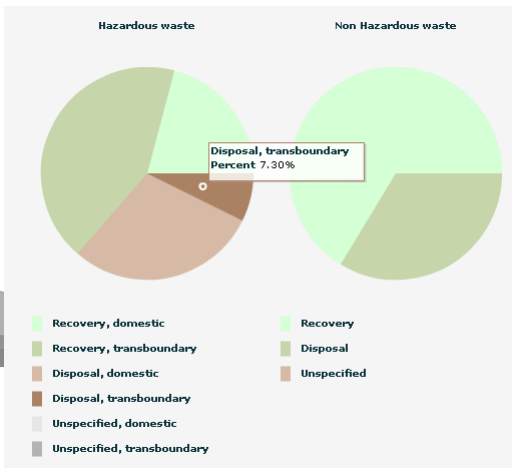
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E-PRTR and EPER presented



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- ➔ We are working on improving the E-PRTR by including more information on [releases from diffuse sources](#) and working in new fields as releases from products and product use.
- ➔ The E-PRTR represents a [significant achievement](#) both for Industry, NGOs and Competent Authorities involved in the data delivery and validation process
- ➔ We are [committed](#) to continue improving the E-PRTR and further guaranteeing the access to key environmental information, provided widely and globally

# Thank you

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