The practical application of the Draft Law on Strategic Environmental Assessment in Moldova through the Road Map in promoting Green Economy: Small and Medium Enterprises

The second workshop training on Strategic Environmental Assessment, April 21 to 22, 2016
Population of SME sector

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At the end of 2014, SMEs accounted 97.4% of total enterprises, with a decrease of 0.3% compared to 2010

Employment in SMEs has diminished by 2.6% in 2010 to 56.2% of the employed workforce in 2014

SMEs contribution to total turnover fell slightly from 37% in 2010 to 32% in 2014

Only 9.6% of SMEs are operating in agriculture and manufacturing (industry)
Moldova score: Small Business Act

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8B. Inovații
9. ÎMM-urile într-o economie verde
10. Internaționalizarea ÎMM-urilor

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The development strategy of the small and medium enterprises for 2012-2020

National Development Strategy "Moldova 2020": 8 solutions for economic growth and poverty reduction

Environmental strategy for the years 2014-2023

Waste Management Strategy for the years 2013-2027 in Moldova

Priority: Increasing competitiveness of SMEs, the development dimension: the use of energy efficient technologies

Priority: Energy: delivered safely, used efficiently component: renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Section: Sustainable development and green economic development; Specific Objective 2: Integrate the principles of environmental protection, sustainable development and green economic development, adaptation to climate change in all sectors of national economy.

Overall objective: development of systems for collection and treatment of waste streams by promoting and implementing specific Principle "producer responsibility", including hazardous, by placing a collection point to each region.
Strategic framework

Strategic objective: the development of competitive markets and regional and European integration

Strategic objective: ensuring the sustainability of the energy sector and climate change

Overall objective: Defining and managing research priorities

Specific objective: Providing state support for innovative companies; action related to developing national mark the "green economy" for products and processes and rules of granting and use

Priority: Sustainable economic growth ensured regions (but does not contain elements linked to the green economy)
Implementing documents: Aspects of the green economy

The Ministry of Economy

- Economy Ministry's priorities for the period 20 January to 30 April 2016: "Agenda - 100 days"
- Action Plan implementing the development strategy of the small and medium enterprises for the years 2015-2017
- REPORT on the implementation of the Action Plan on implementation of the Strategy of development of small and medium enterprise sector for 2015
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- The action plan of the Ministry of Economy for 2016
- The action plan of the Ministry of Economy for 2015
- Annual Activity Report of the Ministry of Economy for 2015
- Order on the creation of a mechanism for monitoring and reporting the implementation of the Environment Strategy for the years 2014 - 2023
- Action Plan on implementation of the Environment Strategy for the years 2014-2023
- Environment Ministry's action plan for 2016
- ANNUAL REPORT 2015 of the Ministry of Environment
Conclusion

• Strategy for Development of Small and Medium Enterprises sector and Environment Strategy documents with implementing the actions. Many of the policy measures in the action plan have been implemented;

• Interministerial working group for promoting sustainable development and green economy, created in 2015 with the aim to implement the project: "Greening SMEs in the eastern neighborhood" as a platform for public-private consultation;

• Subpage dedicated to the green economy on the Ministry of Economy, provides electronic access to information related to the green economy interested parties;

• Project implementation plan of the eighth priority "Developing green economy for SMEs" for the implementation of the SME strategy, developed in 2015 and discussed in both the working group and with business, after approval, it will serve as a basis for greening the economy;

• The draft of National Strategy for Regional Development 2016-2020, contains elements of the green economy, but could become a complementary strategic document.

• Insufficient capacities for the implementation of green economy, evidenced by the lack / inadequacy of knowledge about the green economy within business support organizations and service providers in business;

• Access to finance is a problem because of financial instability, limited resources and donor budget deficit;

• Monitoring results is hampered by the lack of a clear mechanism and statistical data relevant to greening SMEs;
Recommendations

1. Harmonization of strategic referring to greening SMEs (green economy), entering the size of the "green economy" in the National Strategy for SME Sector Development, National Development Strategy "Moldova 2020" and in the National Strategy for Regional Development;

2. Developing a national program on adapting the concept of green economy in the sector; to promote green economy and encouraging best practice;

3. Identify necessary resources to implement green economy-related dimensions of the Action Plans for implementation of environmental strategies, Moldova 2020, SME development;

4. The active involvement of state institutions in promoting "green economy" and encouraging them, including through a system of advice and support (Web, capacity building);

5. Correlation and / or coordinating the strategic framework and actions / programs oriented towards "greening" SMEs;
Recommendations

6. Continued and active cooperation of state institutions with institutions / organizations, business support to implement the principles of "green economy" and programs in the field;

7. Encourage enterprises / businesses "green" or technologies by providing certain facilities to provision for accessing financial resources or tax incentives;

8. Introducing a system of certification and recognition of business / economic or bio-products; (Harmonization with international systems, where applicable) (the mark "Green Economy");

9. Implementation of actions foreseen under priority 9 a Small Business Act, which is to facilitate SME access to "System Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS) by simplifying the environment, reducing taxes and proposing the possibility of cluster registration";

10. Improving statistics in the green economy, to monitor the impact of actions.
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