INTERVENTION BY POLAND

- Poland has contributed to the pilot reporting exercise for Phase I of the Strategy and also delivered a selection of several examples as contribution to UNECE documentation of good practices.

- In 2007 the Polish Working Group for the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development has been established. Its actions are under the honorary patronage of the UNESCO Polish Committee.

  The Group includes the representatives of key institutions connected with various aspects of sustainable development (the Ministry of the Environment, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the representative of scientific communities, non-governmental organisations, UNESCO Polish Committee).

  The Group’s objective is to create a wide platform for exchanging information on the Decade, as well as initiating and taking up actions for the implementation of UNECE Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development, building awareness of social, economic, cultural and environmental issues.

- There are ongoing works on preparing the national plan for the Strategy’s implementation.

- Several web-sites support education for sustainable development, unfortunately mostly they are in Polish, e.g.:
  - there is the special section on the Ministry’s of the Environment web site (www.mos.gov.pl/edu), which includes among others national and international documents on ESD;
  - there is also the web site devoted in whole education for sustainable development (www.ekoedu.uw.edu.pl). It includes among others different tools and materials for educators, examples of best practices in ESD, information about workshops, trainings and programmes for educators and students.

- Next year we are planning to organize conference on ESD which will be connected with mid-term review of the UN Decade for ESD. This conference will be meant for the representatives of institutions, regional teacher training centers, NGOs and all persons who are interested in the topic. The purpose of the conference will be to give more information about education for sustainable development and discuss priority actions for implementation of the Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development.