Improved environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus

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Main Objectives

Improved environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus

- To strengthen capacities of national environmental authorities and statistical agencies to collect, produce data in accordance with SEIS
- To improve accessibility and use of regularly updated and high quality environmental indicators, within the framework of SEIS, to respond to international indicator-based reporting obligations, including monitoring progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals.
Morning session: Data use, accessibility and harmonisation

- Measuring Progress: Towards Achieving the Environmental Dimension of the Sustainable Development Goals.
  Matthew Billot, United Nations Environment Programme.

- Earth Observations Data Cube: Big EO Data for Sustainable Development.
  Gregory Giuliana, University of Geneva.

- Citizen Science
  Martin Brocklehurst, European Citizen Science Association.

- Data information and Knowledge for Action

- Introducing the gap analysis reviews for the project on improved environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus
Afternoon session: Linking data with action

- **Introduction: Trends and implementation of the Arhus Convention.**
  Maryna Yanush, UNECE Environment Division.

- **Open Data for SDG reporting**
  Johannes Mayer, Head of International Cooperation, Environment Agency Austria.

- **Administrative and Statistical Data for the SDGs.**
  Taeke Anton Gjaltema, UNECE Statistical Division.

- **Integrating data from different sources for the bigger picture.**
  Steven Vale, Regional Adviser, UNECE Statistical Division.

- **Using State-of-the-Environment-Reporting to address the Sustainable Development Goals.**
  Galina Georgieva, European Environment Agency (EEA).