

On-going activities under the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (as of October 2013)

Nr.	Name of the activity	Beneficiary countries	Objective(s) of the activity	Key activities	Key outputs	Partners	Financial / in-kind support by	Status / Link
I. Core activities of the Convention								
<i>Strategic partnerships</i>								
1	Development of a guide on the methodology for hazard rating.	UNECE member States	The general objectives of this project are to collect information about existing methodologies for hazard rating of installations and to develop a guide for a harmonised methodology for hazard rating that can be the basis for prioritizing planning and designing inspections and enhancement of risk-assessment techniques. The creation of a guide methodology for hazard rating could be also very useful for maintaining up-to-date inventories of hazardous activities.	(i) One workshop on methodologies for hazard rating of installations (ii) development of guide on the methodologies for hazard rating of installations.	Guide on the methodology for hazard rating.	OECD, ESPC	OECD, ESPC	On-going.
2	Training Workshop, organised by the Major Accident Hazards Bureau, under the Seveso Directive and the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents, on Risk Assessment and Accident Lessons Learned.	UNECE member States	The event addresses the following topics: (i) Training on relevant applications (eMARS accident reporting database, the ARIPAR/ADAM software and possibly others) (ii) Exchange/discussion on case studies and on the analytical process (how to select data for input, develop lessons learned, etc.) (iii) Potential uses of outputs from analysis for implementation of the Seveso Directive and the Convention.	Workshop on Risk Assessment and Accident Lessons Learned.	Increased awareness and expertise in accident reporting, risk assessment and connected issues (land-use planning).	MAHB	MAHB, Convention trust fund	On-going. Workshop to be organised on 20-22 November 2013. http://www.unece.org/env/teia/mfsg/ispranov2013.html
3	Project on risk assessment of industrial accidents and enforcement of cross-border obligations for non-EU countries (RIECO).	non-EU countries	The general objective of the project is to strengthen the capacity of non-EU countries in the ECE region for risk assessment during the acute phase of chemical incidents by improving exposure assessment and to facilitate cooperation across administrative boundaries.	(i) One workshop on risk assessment during the acute phase of chemical incidents and identification of good practices in industrial accident preparedness and response (18-19 September 2013), (ii) Development of guidelines for the public health and environmental risk assessment during the acute phase of chemical incidents.	Guidelines for the public health and environmental risk assessment during the acute phase of chemical incidents.	WHO	Netherlands, Republic of Moldova	On-going (2012 - 2013) http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=33243
4	Development of an online training course: "Introduction to Industrial Accidents".	Member States of ECE, OCHA, UNEP and beyond	The three-hour self-taught training course is designed for anyone wishing to improve their knowledge of industrial accidents in order to better prevent, prepare for and respond to them.	Development of training modules and collection of input from partners.	Development of an English, French and Russian version of an online training course: "Introduction to Industrial Accidents" and an English manual "Training of Trainers".	ECE, OCHA, UNEP	ECE, OCHA, UNEP	Completed. Available online here: http://www.unece.org/env/teia/pubs/onlinetraining2013
II. Assistance activities of the Convention								
<i>Assistance Programme</i>								
5	Project on hazard and crisis management in the Danube Delta.	Republic of Moldova / Romania / Ukraine	The general objective of the project is to improve the cooperation between the 3 project countries in the Danube Delta region through enhancing and, where possible, harmonizing mechanisms and approaches for efficient and effective hazard and crisis management.	(i) 2 workshops on hazard management (one held Jul.2011; one to be held in Mar/Apr 2014); (ii) 2 joint visits (one organized to the ports of Galati, Romania, and Giurgulesti, Republic of Moldova in Sep.2011; one to an oil terminal in Odessa, Ukraine, in Sep.2013); (iii) One workshop on crisis management (held in Dec.2011); (iv) 2 exercises (one table-top and one field exercise scheduled for 2014); and (v) One final project workshop (2014).	(i) Establishment of a hazard spots map in the Danube Delta region; (ii) Development and publishing of safety guidelines and good industry practices for oil terminals; (iii) Establishment of a joint contingency plan for Danube Delta; (iv) Establishment of bi- or trilateral sectoral agreements related to hazard and crisis management; (v) Improvement of cooperation between both authorities and industry, etc.	ICPDR, PPRD East and the Black Sea Commission.		On-going (2011-2014); http://www.unece.org/environmental-policy/treaties/industrial-accidents/areas-of-work/assistance-programme/envteiaimplementation/envteiaapddp.html
6	Capacity building activity on the Industrial Accidents and Water Conventions in Kyrgyzstan.	Kyrgyzstan	The general objectives of the project are: • Introduce the country's authorities to good practices in the division of responsibilities between authorities for the implementation of the Industrial Accidents Convention and provide the country with a possible basis for settling its own internal organisation concerning industrial safety; • Apply good practices in the management (prevention, preparedness and response) of hazardous activities in the country, which are capable of causing transboundary water pollution in the event of an accident (with tailings management facilities being used as an example); • Guide the country in using the tools developed under the Industrial Accidents Convention's Assistance Programme (this is planned to be a separate session, although some of the tools will also be applied during the sessions for the above two objectives).	Workshop on the accession to and implementation of the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents in the Kyrgyz Republic.	Report of the workshop.	GIZ	GIZ	On-going. Workshop to be organised on 28-29 October 2013.
7	Capacity building to enhance development and evaluation of safety reports.	Croatia	The general objective of the project is to enhance the capacity of Croatian authorities in the inspection of hazardous industrial sites. More specifically the aim of the project is to support Croatian experts in increasing the effectiveness of inspections to verify safety reports from such industries, with particular attention to the part on Safety Management System (SMS).	One 2-days workshop organised for Croatian inspectors involved in inspections of hazardous industrial sites. The workshop will also benefit from the participation of international experts.	Increased awareness of Croatian inspectors of the elements to be checked when inspecting the implementation of safety reports, in particular the parts on Safety Management Systems.	See part on financial/in-kind support	Project financed with remainign funds from previous ENVSEC project organised for Serbia, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The Bureau agreed to organise national follow-ups. In-kind contribution from Sweden for the translation of a safety report in English. In-kind contribution from the JRC (1 expert participation and travel); in-kind contribution from the Netherlands (participation of 1 expert, although travel and DSA are covered by the project's money).	On-going. Workshop to be organised on 28-29 October 2013. http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=33721
8	Training session on Safety management system as part of safety reports.	Serbia	The general objective of the project is to enhance the capacity of Serbian authorities in assessing safety reports received by the operators of hazardous industrial sites. More specifically the project should focus on the evaluation of the part on Safety Management System (SMS). It was in particularly noted that this part, in the safety reports received, was not satisfactory. At the same time the representatives of the country recognised that in the Ministry there are no capacities to better explain to the operators how to improve their safety reports.	One 2-days workshop organised for Serbian operators (with the participation of representatives from authorities) to explain the elements and the structure of safety reports. The workshop will also benefit from the participation of an international expert.	Increased awareness of Serbian operators of hazardous industrial sites on the elements and structure for safety reports. Increased awareness of authorities involved.	See part on financial/in-kind support	Project financed with remainign funds from previous ENVSEC project organised for Serbia, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The Bureau agreed to organise national follow-ups. In-kind contribution from Sweden for the translation of a safety report in English. In-kind contribution from the Netherlands (participation of 1 expert, although travel and DSA are covered by the project's money).	On-going. Workshop to be organised on 13-14 November 2013.

9	Capacity building to enhance development and evaluation of the safety reports.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	The general objective of the project is to support the authorities of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to identify the future steps towards the development of a methodology for the preparation of safety reports by operators of hazardous industrial sites.	(i) Preparation of a draft document to be used as guidance to operators for the elaboration of safety reports on the basis of the legislative requirements; (ii) A 2-days training session for operators of hazardous industrial sites and representatives from the involved institutions.	(i) Document to be used by operators as guidance to prepare safety reports; (ii) Increased awareness of operators and authorities involved in the process for the preparation of and content of safety reports.	See part on financial/in-kind support	Project financed with remaining funds from a previous ENVSEC project organised for Serbia, Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The Convention's Bureau agreed to organise national follow-up sessions. In-kind contribution from Sweden for the translation of a safety report in English.	On-going. Further information needed from the country.
10	High-level awareness-raising meeting in support of the ratification of the UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents.	Georgia	The general objective of the activity is to support the country's authorities in the ratification of the Convention.	(i) High-level awareness-raising meeting with the authorities involved in industrial safety in the country. The activity has the scope of creating awareness in the different authorities of their roles in the process of ratification of the Convention and their subsequent roles in implementing the Convention. (ii) The high-level meeting will be followed up by an expert meeting, where experts from authorities involved in industrial safety in the country will go more into details on the requirements of the Convention.	(i) Awareness of high-level representatives of authorities involved in industrial safety concerning the requirements of the Convention and how they should be split among authorities in the country. (ii) Creation of a self-assessment of the country concerning the present level of implementation of the Convention and preparation of an action plan with proposed follow-up to tackle shortcomings identified.	EU	RPTC funds received. In-kind contribution from Germany (1 expert time, travel and accommodation) in-kind contribution from Slovenia (1 expert time. Travel and accommodation from RPTC funds). In-kind contribution from the Netherlands (participation to high-level and expert meeting)	On-going. Meeting and mission starting. High-level awareness-raising meeting to take place on 5 November 2013 back-to-back with an expert meeting from 6 to 8 November 2013.