The objective of this survey is to evaluate progress made by countries between the first UNECE/Eurostat/EEA Workshop on Waste Statistics held 11-13 April 2012 in Geneva and the follow-up UNECE/Eurostat/EEA Workshop on Waste Statistics to be held 4 November 2013.

COUNTRY: Republic of Serbia

Responding agency/institution: Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia

Responsible authority for producing waste statistics: SORS and SEPA

1. Are you using new data sources in the collection and compilation of statistics:

1.1. on waste generation?

SOR: Enterprises which belongs NACE Rev.2 sections (F-S) are new data source in collection waste generation for reference 2012.

SEPA in 2012, did not use new data sources.
SEPA collect data according to Environmental Law and Waste management Law (“Official Gazette of RS”, No. 36/09 and 88/10) and by laws concerning waste management (“Official Gazette of RS”, No.95/2010) and National register of polluters. (“Official Gazette of RS”, No. 91/2010).

1.2. on waste management?

1.3. on hazardous waste?

2. How have you changed the methodology of collecting and producing data:

2.1. on waste generation?

SOR: For enterprises with 10 or more employees, NACE Rev.2 sections (B-D), used full scale survey but larger number of enterprises in sections (F-S) requires the implementation of sample survey which SORS applied.

2.2. on waste management?

2.3. on hazardous waste?

3. What are the main problems and challenges in collecting data:
3.1. on waste generation?

SOR: Business Register and their weaknesses - late with updating; burden of enterprises is very high and cause non-response with/without explanation; waste conversion factors - amount of waste generated in many cases reported inadequate measurement units (pieces or m³) which should be converted in tons by used waste conversion factors; non appropriate waste code.

SEPA: The main problems in the data collection concerning waste are:

- The company and Public utility companies does not fulfill the obligation to submit data
- Submission of data after deadline
- Amount of generated waste in many cases is reported in inadequate measurement units

3.2. on waste management

3.3. on hazardous waste

4. Do you consider the coverage of data on waste sufficient (all sectors of economic activities covered, all municipalities covered, etc.)? Do you plan to expand the data coverage in the near future?

SOR: Bearing in mind that SORS has not yet achieved all coverage by NACE Rev.2 sections in the survey on waste generation and treatment, a lot of work will be expecting. SORS plan to do enlargement in data coverage for section Agriculture, forestry and fishing in the next period.

SEPA: It is not sufficient. We plan to expand the data coverage.

5. Do you plan to improve your data processing methodologies and/or data validation techniques? If yes, how?

SOR: In data processing methodologies SORS planing to improve validation and add in software for data processing additional table which connected appropriate waste code and NACE Rev.2 activities.

6. Has your agency or other relevant institution published (or plans to publish) in 2013 additional statistical data on waste compared to 2012?

SOR on 16.12.2013 will be published Statistical Release with first data on waste generation for NACE Rev.2 sections (F-S).

SEPA: At the end of the year will be published Report on the state of the environment in the Republic of Serbia.

7. Please indicate if your agency is providing any new information resources containing waste statistics (e.g. printed publications, online publications, online databases, etc.)?

SOR: Public access to data on waste statistics in internet page (www.stat.gov.rs) where available questionnaires and aggregated data from the previous years: Statistical Releases ZS60-Industrial waste in the Republic of Serbia; Statistical Yearbook; ECOBULLETIN; Special publications – Waste
statistics and waste management in the Republic of Serbia 2008-2010; Methodological guidance to the Questionnaire on waste.

SEPA every year have publication Report on the state of the environment in the Republic of Serbia. Public also has access to data on quantities of industrial waste from PRTR companies on the following website: [www.sepa.gov.rs](http://www.sepa.gov.rs)

8. What in your view are the future priority areas in the field of waste statistics in your country?

SORs priority is produce data on waste generation and treatment for all NACE Rev.2 sections according to Waste Statistical Regulation 849/2010. After for reference 2012 enlarged survey on waste for NACE Rev.2 sections (F-S), for reference 2013 will be added NACE Rev.2 section (E). Improvement will be no only data about waste generation from this section but also waste treatment extended. In waste treatment survey will be included: the enterprises that were already including in the existing SORS survey and reported waste treatment and enterprises which have permission for waste treatment (from the register of recoverers and disposers of waste that is under responsibility of Serbian Agency for Environmental Protection). The first results will be published in July 2014.