

Projects and activities supported by the Regular Programme on Technical Cooperation

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- **Capacity development** workshops, seminars, webinars, and trainings supported by RPTC to assist countries in the accession to and implementation of UNECE MEAs
- **Advisory services** to implement UNECE MEAs and provide technical expertise/advice on national development strategies, plans, programmes, sectorial policies or specific policies
 - Development of the **NATIONAL PROGRAMME ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY** within the framework of the National Policy Dialogue on Industrial Safety **in Serbia** under the [Industrial Accidents Convention](#) (2022 – 2023)
 - Development of the **ROADMAPS** for the implementation of the recommendations of the [Environmental Performance reviews](#) in [Uzbekistan](#), [North Macedonia](#) and [Tajikistan](#) (2020-2021)
 - Review of environmental policies and provision of inputs e.g. Environment Concept 2030 in Uzbekistan, National Programme on Air Quality and other programmes and plans

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Review and analysis of national legislative framework and provision of recommendations on aligning national legislative framework to the requirements of UNECE MEAs

- Support in the ratification of the Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Amendment to the **Aarhus Convention** and its **Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Register** through **review of national legislation** in light of the requirements of the two instruments and provision of **recommendations** on how to align in Tajikistan (2020) and Kazakhstan (2021)
- Review and analysis of national legislation and preparation of recommendations on aligning to the provisions of the **Espoo Convention** and the **Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment**

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Development of **guidance documents, training materials and publications**

- **Training manual**: Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems Nexus Assessment in the Context of Central Asia (2020-2021)
- **Toolbox**: How to mainstream gender in environmental policy (2021)
- **Guidance** of Gender mainstreaming in environmental policy and training on the integration of gender aspects into environmental policies of local governments
- **Compendium** of measures to green the post-pandemic recovery (2020-2021)
- Awareness raising materials: **video** and **Online toolkit** and training to strengthen mine tailings safety under the **Industrial Accidents Convention**



Toolbox: How to Mainstream Gender in Environmental Policy



Online Toolkit and Training for Strengthening Mine Tailings Safety

Overview

Industrial accidents at tailings management facilities (TMFs) have led to environmental catastrophes with devastating effects on humans and the environment within and across countries. Major industrial accidents in the UNECE region and beyond have motivated countries to develop and implement tools under the UNECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents to strengthen mine tailings safety and to prevent such accidents in the future.

This online toolkit assists countries in strengthening TMF safety and management practices. It serves as a hub for anyone wishing to learn about the importance of, and the work and tools on mine tailings safety under the Convention. At the same time, it provides



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Facilitation of **experience sharing** among countries and **peer learning**

Under [ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS \(EPRs\)](#)

- Integration of SDGs in the EPRs (2017 in Belarus); sustainable energy policies and practices based on the EPR recommendations (2017 in Almaty, 2021 online) sustainable transport policies and good practices based on the EPR recommendations (2017 in Tbilisi); sustainable urban transport and mobility: policies and practices on the basis of EPR (2018 Montenegro)
- Beneficiary countries: UNECE member states, RPTC programme countries

Under **Industrial Accidents Convention** :

- Sub-regional workshop on land-use planning and industrial safety for countries of Eastern Europe and the Caucasus (2019 in the Republic of Moldova) and for countries in South Eastern Europe (2021 in Serbia)

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Serve as UNECE Focal Point [Serbia](#), [Ukraine](#) and [Uzbekistan](#)

- Strengthen collaboration with Resident Coordinator (RC), Resident Coordinators Office (RCO) and UN Country Teams (UNCT)
- Contribute to the development of CCAs and UNSDCFs
- Ensure two-way communication with RCs and UNCTs
- Regularly brief RCs and UNCTs on newly issued UNECE products
- Co-chairing of the Result Group on Environment in Tajikistan and Uzbekistan
- Establish and maintain regular contacts with national, regional and international organizations, UN agencies to promote UNECE MEAs and strengthen cooperation
- Contribute to resource mobilization



Issue-based Coalition on Environment and Climate Change



UN Development System reform resulted in establishment of Regional Collaborative Platform (RCP) and Issue-based Coalitions (IBCs) – 7 IBCs in our region

UNECE, UNESCO and UNEP co-chair IBC on Environment and Climate Change – 18 members

A regional platform supporting UN Country Teams through knowledge and policies on environment and climate change to help catalyze Member States' action towards the 2030 Agenda



IBC's key activities



The IBC's work is based around **three pillars**:

- Advocating for environmental and climate change issues at the regional level
- Supporting UNCTs in the env. and CC dimension of UNSDCF and CCA processes
- Monitoring and reporting on the environmental and climate change dimension of SDGs



Key activities :

- ✓ In-person workshop on joint programmes, Istanbul, Sept 2023
- ✓ Frequent, focused, demand-driven webinars
- ✓ Green Transitions Training Programme
- ✓ Guidance on integrating the environment and climate change in UNSDCF Processes
- ✓ Policy briefs on diverse issues



Thank you!

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