### Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E)
#### Actions by Republic of Moldova

**Country:** Republic of Moldova, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Economy

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**Description of the action:** Strengthen the inter-ministerial multi-stakeholders working group on sustainable development and green economy, development and implementation of the Road Map on the promotion of Green Economy in the Republic of Moldova.

**Action’s timeframe/milestones, as appropriate:** Activities and strengthening capacities of the inter-ministerial working group on sustainable development and green economy in the period 2016-2018; development and approval of the Road Map on the promotion of Green Economy in the Republic of Moldova (2016-2018).

**Type of action:** coordination, capacity building, planning, implementation and monitoring

**Economic sectors:** National and Economy-wide

**Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate:** UNEP Green Economy Framework, EC EaP GREEN regional Project, Inter-ministerial WG on SD and GE (2015)

**Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome:** improved inter-ministerial collaboration and coordination for GE Promotion; policy document developed and implementation starts; dialogue on GE with stakeholders enlarged; capacities of the WG members and involved institutions and partners strengthened.

**SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement:** 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.

**Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate:** EPR III (2014), Recommendation 1.4: The Government should reactivate the National Council on Sustainable Development to promote sustainable development in all sectoral activities.

**Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate:** WG acting (number of meetings); Road Map approved, GGI for GE indicators established and monitored

**Partners:** Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Regional Development and Constructions, Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure, Ministry of Education, National Bureau of Statistics, PA EcoContact

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Country: Republic of Moldova, Ministry of Economy, Organization for the Development of the Sector of Small and Medium Enterprises (ODIMM)

Title: Greening SMEs
Focus area 5: Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns related to SMEs

Description of the action: Develop/include greening the economy/SMEs principles into national strategies/policies/action plans; Increase awareness and build consensus around the importance and benefits of Greening SMEs;

Action’s timeframe/milestones, as appropriate:
- Define and apply an action plan with activities addressing the Greening SMEs subject, as of the 8th priority of the National Development Strategy “Moldova 2020” in the period 2016 - 2018;
- Promote the inclusion of Greening SMEs’ principles in the Regional Development Strategy 2016 – 2020, by the end of 2016;
- Increase awareness and build consensus on the importance of Greening the SMEs, build capacities and contribute to the sharing of information, through trainings/events, organization of the Corporate Social Responsibility contest and including the use of the Ministry of Economy’s and ODIMM’s web pages and social media, in between 2016 – 2018;

Type of action: legal/regulatory/policy; information/education-based/capacity building;

Economic sectors: Small and Medium Enterprises, Economy-wide

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: UNEP Green Economy Framework, EC EaP GREEN Project, Inter-ministerial WG on SD and GE (2015), OECD Greening SMEs, State budget/programmes; OECD - Tools for Delivering Green Growth.

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: improved inter-ministerial collaboration and coordination for Greening SMEs Promotion; policy documents and action plans developed and the implementation starts; increased awareness and dialogue on Greening SMEs with stakeholders; a communication tool on Greening SMEs established, enhance the SMEs understanding/use of greening principles.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate: EPR III (2014), Recommendation 1.4: The Government should promote sustainable development in all sectoral activities.

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: WG acting (number of meetings); Action plan on implementing Greening SMEs as of the Strategy “Moldova 2020” evolution monitored; information and articles on Greening SMEs elaborated and disseminated (number of articles and information published on Greening SMEs); trainings and events were Greening SMEs will be promoted (number of events and number of participants).

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**Title:**
Promotion of Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production

*Focus area 5: Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns*

**Description of the action:** Implement the concept of RECP, increase resource efficiency and environmental performances of enterprises and organizations in Moldova contributing to Sustainable Industrial development and Sustainable Consumption and Production

**Action’s timeframe/milestones, as appropriate:** Implement the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production

**Type of action:** capacity building, education and training, company voluntary actions on RECP

**Economic sectors:** Economy-wide

**Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate:** UNIDO-UNEP RECP; 10 Year FP SCP

**Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome:** maintain and enlarge the number of RECP Clubs

**SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement:** 6, 8, 9, 12, 17.

**Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate:** EPR II (2005), Recommendation 8.4: Enhance Clean Production methods.

**Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate:** number of RECP Clubs, number of companies/enterprises applying RECP principles

**Partners:** Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Institute for Economic Research, private companies, UNIDO, UNEP, OECD, UN ECE

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Title: Promotion of organic agriculture in the Republic of Moldova
Focus area 5: Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns

Description of the action: Promotion and development of organic agriculture as a way of ensuring sustainable management of natural resources in agriculture. Organic production should be supported in this regard, especially as demand for such products is increasing on international markets. Organic farmers should be assisted in meeting the standards and implementing the procedures required by international markets and organizations.

Action’s timeframe/milestones, as appropriate: Period 2014 – 2020

Type of action: Policy support, promotion, subsidies, procurement, awareness, education and training, development of organic agriculture business plans, business initiation and also post-creation support.

Economic sectors: Agricultural sector, Sustainable Procurement, Environment

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: UNEP - Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development; Moldova, green economy advisory services.

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: Increased organic production; increase income and welfare in rural area and reduction of poverty by providing economic benefits for farmers resulting from price premiums and reduced costs; reduce vulnerability of soils to erosion, while at the same time increasing the soils’ carbon stocks; reduce emissions of greenhouse gases resulting from farming practices and at the same time be more resilient to climate change; enhanced biodiversity and ecosystem services, and preserved valuable traditional landscapes that can eventually be assets in developing eco-tourism.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 17.

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate: EPR III (2014), Recommendation 10.1: The Government should ensure achieving sustainable agriculture.

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: Number of arable land hectares under organic agriculture; Number of producers and farmers practicing organic agriculture.

Partners: Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Finance, Academy of Science, CSOs, Farmer Associations

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Title: Increase Energy Efficiency
Focus area 5: (Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns)


Action’s timeframe/milestones, as appropriate: Period of 2016-2020-2030; milestones: 25/17/8.2 by 2020 (see p.11 below).

Type of action: implementation of national action plans on energy efficiency and on renewable energy.

Economic sectors: Economy-wide, Energy


Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: improved energy efficiency, increase energy intensity and renewables.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: 7, 9, 8, 12, 13, 17.

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate: ERP II (2005), Recommendation 8.4: Ministry of Economy, in collaboration with Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Environment should stimulate energy efficiency improvement.

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: by 2020: reduction of GHG emissions with 25% compared with 1990; 17% of gross final energy consumption to be covered from renewable sources of energy; 8.2 % improvement in energy efficiency.


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