



Tenth meeting of the Task Force on Access to Justice  
under the auspices of the Aarhus Convention



**Application of the Aarhus Convention - the basis of  
public access to justice**

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# Access to justice

- the primary means of ensuring compliance with the Aarhus Convention
- consolidation of procedural rules
- guarantee the public's right of access to justice



# Legislation block of the Kyrgyz Republic:

- legislative norms of a general nature
- some of the regulations in the field of environmental protection legislation



# Obligations

Obligations of legal and natural persons for reimbursement of damage in accordance the Civil Code of the Kyrgyz Republic and other regulatory legal acts of the Kyrgyz Republic



# General principle of access to environmental information

- the judicial review of actions (inactions) of state bodies and officials
- appeal to the court for suspension or termination of economic and other activities
- bringing an action



## Results of the study showed:

- on proper execution of writs for the judicial protection of rights of the public
- on the jurisdiction of cases on the claims of environmental associations



# Development of academic program

- one-day training
- training module
- handouts on the topic "Application of the Aarhus Convention and national environmental legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic"



# The following issues were considered and discussed during the training:

- Overview of the Aarhus Convention and the regulatory acts of the Kyrgyz Republic in the field of ecology and environmental protection;
- The right of access to environmental information and the right to participate in decisions affecting the environment;
- The right to access to justice;
- The competence of the authorized bodies in the field of ecology and environmental protection;
- Practical application of the Aarhus Convention by the courts and national legislation in the field of environment and ecology



# Results of the training

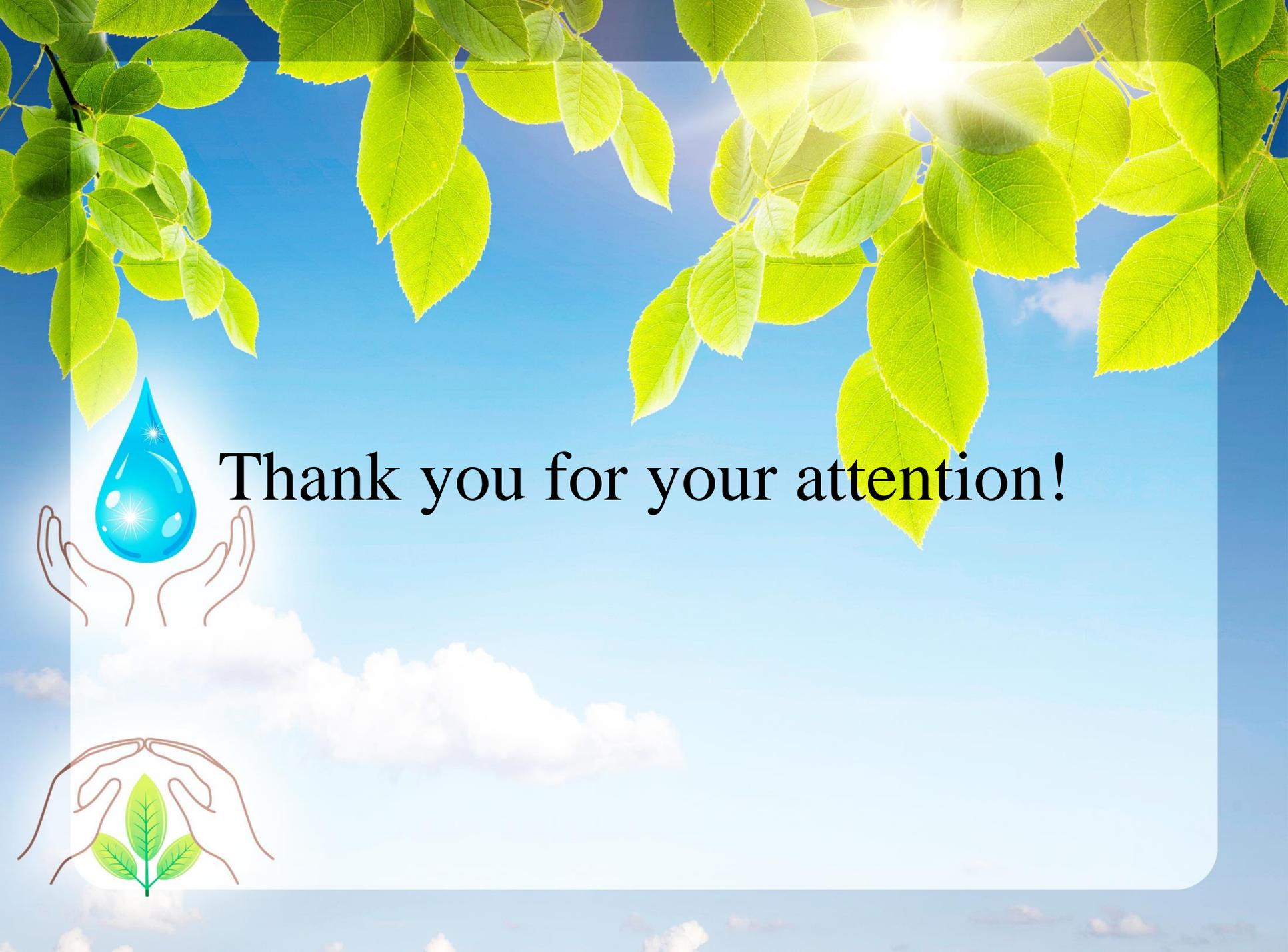
the level of knowledge among the participants in the field of ecology and environmental protection rose in average for 48.5%



# Plans for improvement

- changes in statistical forms of civil cases, that would maintain a record of cases in the field of the environment on the claims and allegations of individuals and environmental organizations in the implementation of the Aarhus Convention.
- generalization of the judicial practice and update Provision of the Supreme Court's Plenum "On judicial practice in civil cases relating to the violation of nature protection legislation"





**Thank you for your attention!**

