Statement 1.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection conducted Public Competition for co-financing projects of civil society organizations in the field of environmental protection in the second half of 2014. The allocated funds amounted to 26,000,000.00 dinars, of which 6,000,000.00 dinars were allocated for the implementation of projects related to the implementation of the Aarhus Convention. 10 projects related to the implementation of the Aarhus Convention made by the 10 civil society organizations were selected for co-financing in a total amount of 6,000,000.00 dinars (60 thousands euro).

Some of the selected projects were carried out by three Aarhus centers of the Republic of Serbia.

Aarhus center South and East Serbia conducted the project on the Improvements of the access to information on the environmental protection in the Republic of Serbia "Arhus for the Medias - Medias for Public". Within this project is developed a handbook on the method of communicating information about the situation concerning the environment by local government bodies and the Medias in the Republic of Serbia.

Aarhus center of the city of Novi Sad carried out the Project on improving the environment and the strengthening of environmental awareness applying the Aarhus Convention. The aim of the project was the establishment of cooperation between local governments and citizens and their better informing for more active involvement in the decision-making process. Within this project numerous seminars and roundtables were organized.

Aarhus center of the city of Subotica carried out the Project on strengthening the capacity of the regional Aarhus Centre in Subotica in order to improve the implementation of the Aarhus Convention in practice.

Civil society organization „Ecological Movement Vrbas” carried out the Project on establishment the model of application the Aarhus Convention at the local level.