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Project News – September 2015

The Project for Strengthening Capacities for Implementation of Environmental Legislation at Local Level commenced on 20th January 2015 and will run for 18 months until 20th July 2016. The Project is now entering its second implementation period.

This is the second project newsletter aimed at keeping stakeholders informed concerning Project activities. This newsletter covers the period June to August 2015.

The core Project Team remains as reported in the previous newsletter, except that the office manager Julija Ilijovska left the project at the end of August for personal reasons and was replaced by Marina Cvetkovic.

The Project Team welcomed Marina and thank Julija for all her work and wish her every happiness in the future.

The Project team has recently been supplemented with the appointment of six new experts:



These experts will start working in September and a particularly active period of work is expected during the autumn.

The Project main deliverables that have been produced in this period are:



The six month report will be discussed at the Project Steering Committee meeting which will be held on 29th September.

The draft Guideline for assessment of elaborates was prepared within the period from July to August 2015 and submitted to the Beneficiaries for comment at the end of August. The Guideline provides common understanding of the requirements of the legislation and how the legislation has to be applied by all the interested parties.

The Project Team, in consultation with the Beneficiaries, agreed on **preparation of a B-IPPC** permit in each of the 7 pilot LSGUs having responsibility for issuing B-IPPC permits. A second permit will be prepare in each of the 3 larger LSGUs. Each of the 7 LSGUs was asked to share with the Project, the application that would be most helpful to them.

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In parallel, the Project team has commenced work on the <u>Manual for control of air emissions from B-</u> <u>IPPC permits and measures for improving air</u> <u>quality.</u> The Manual provides general explanation of the Rulebook for ELVs of Polluting Substances in Waste Gases and Fumes emitted by Stationary Sources (O.G of RM No. 141/10) and is planned to help permit writers in prescribing ELVs in permits, industry in the planning and operating activities, to propose measures for improving ambient air quality and to inform and educate the public.

nstitutional & Financial Team

In parallel the Institutional and Financial Experts will use the information provided in the Institutional Questionnaire to prepare an institutional analysis report to be submitted in October. Both reports will be used as inputs to the development of a proposed Programme of Reform planned to be delivered for discussion in November.



Air Team

The Project Air Team has started work on a <u>review</u> of the air quality in <u>Tetovo</u>. The experts will evaluate the currently available information and identify any further information required to enable the preparation of an air quality plan for Tetovo.



From left to right: Lothar Guendling- Legal Expert; Biljana Jadrovska Junior Legal Expert Iain Maclean-Team Leader Julija Ilijovska-Office Manager (until August 2015) Marina Cvetkovic-Office Manager Fana Hristovska-Deputy Team Leader Marijonka Vilarova-Air Expert

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Legal Team

The Project legal team continues to review the existing environmental legislation and will <u>prepare</u> <u>a draft legal analysis report to be submitted in</u> <u>September</u>.