



Establishment of Natura 2000 network, Montenegro

INFORMATION and TRAINING WORKSHOP

EU Habitats Directive ‘Appropriate Assessment’ – a demanding duty or an opportunity for Montenegro?

Ocjena prihvatljivosti prema EU Direktivi o staništima – zahtjevna obaveza ili prilika za Crnu Goru?

When: 29 – 30 November 2017

Where: Podgorica, Hotel Centre Ville
Cetinjska 7, The Capital Plaza, 81000 Podgorica

Objectives of the workshop:

- To explain and interpret the Article 6 of the Habitats Directive – purpose, procedures, necessity and implications of Appropriate Assessment (AA)
 - To clarify differences between and links to Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)
 - To present real examples from EU countries (BG, CZ, HR)
 - To stress the fact for the need to build up capacity in the country
 - To inform about the added value for both Natura 2000 sites and the nature outside of them
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AGENDA

DAY 1 – 29 November 2017

10.00 – 10.30	Registration of the participants	
Morning session – Opening event		
10:30 – 11:20	Welcome and key note speeches Ms. Ivana Vojinovic , Director General for Environment, Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism Mr. Hermann Spitz , Head of Cooperation Section, EU Delegation to Montenegro Mr. Vedran Nikolic , Unit D.3 – Nature Protection, European Commission, DG Environment Mr. Nikola Medenica , Director, Agency for Environmental and Nature Protection Mr. Miodrag Canovic , Director General of the Energy Directorate Ministry of Economy Mr. Adem Fetic , Director General of the Directorate of Forestry, Hunting and Timber Industry Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	
11:20 – 11:40	Coffee break	
Expert training workshop		
11:40 – 11:50	Welcoming participants, presenting agenda and main objectives of the workshop	Ms. Sissi Samec , Team Leader, Project <i>Establishment of Natura 2000</i> , ME
11:50 – 12:30	Introduction to AA as the main EU reactive tool for the protection of the Natura 2000 network	Mr. Vedran Nikolic , European Commission, DG Environment, Unit D3 – Nature Protection
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 13:50	Natura 2000 and the basic principles of AA	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
13:50 – 14:10	AA and SEA/EIA: similarities and differences	Ms. Katya Ancheva , Natura 2000 Appropriate Assessment Expert, BG
14:10 – 14:30	EU legislative background for AA	Ms. Vesselina Petrova , Natura 2000 Legislation Expert, BG
14:30 – 14:50	Theory of AA from the practical perspective, stages of AA	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
14:50 – 15:00	Discussion	
15:00 – 15:20	Coffee break	
15:20 -15:40	AA in the current Montenegrin law	Ms. Milena Bataković , Advisor for Biodiversity, Agency for Environmental and Nature Protection, ME
15:40 – 16:00	Stage 1 AA – screening: objective, outcomes	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
16:00 – 16:20	Discussion / End of first day	



DAY 2 – 30 November 2017

09:00 – 09:20	Summary of Day 1	Ms. Sissi Samec , Team Leader, Natura 2000
09:20 – 09:40	Screening case study – Croatia	Mr. Neven Trenc , Appropriate Assessment Expert, HR
09:40 – 10:00	Screening case study – Bulgaria	Mr. Mladen Gramatikov , Natura 2000 Data Management Expert, BG
10:00 – 10:20	Screening case study – Czech Republic	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
10:20 – 10:30	Discussion	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 11:20	Stage 2 AA – main assessment: objective, course, outcomes, licensing	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
11:20 – 11:40	Croatian approach to the main assessment	Mr. Neven Trenc , Appropriate Assessment Expert, HR
11:40 – 12:00	Bulgarian approach to the main assessment	Ms. Katya Ancheva , Natura 2000 Appropriate Assessment Expert, BG
12:00 – 12:20	Discussion	
12:20 – 13:10	Lunch break	
13:10 – 13:30	Data necessary for quality AA and their comparison with the Standard Data Form content	Mr. Michael Hošek , Natura 2000 Expert, CZ
13:30 – 15:00	Practical example: group exercise – AA main assessment	All participants
15:00 – 15:20	Coffee break	
15:20 – 15:40	AA – problems and lessons learnt: Croatia	Mr. Neven Trenc , Appropriate Assessment Expert, HR
15:40 – 16:00	Case studies/examples, lessons learnt from Bulgaria <ul style="list-style-type: none">not- fulfilling the obligations under Article 4(4) of the Birds Directive and Article 6(2) of the Habitats Directivenot assessing properly the cumulative effect of certain projects	Mr. Mladen Gramatikov , Natura 2000 Data Management Expert, BG
16:00 – 16:10	Requirements of the Habitats Directive Article 6 (4) in a nutshell	Mr. Petr Roth , EU Monitoring Expert, CZ
16:10 – 16:20	Discussion	
16:20 – 16:30	Conclusions and recommendations for Montenegro	Ms. Sissi Samec , Team Leader, Natura 2000