

Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E)
Actions by the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus

Country: the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus

Title:

Promotion of Circular Economy in South Caucasus region

Focus area: 1,3,4,5,6,7 Improve the measurement and valuation of natural capital; Enhance ecosystems and ecosystem services as part of ecological infrastructure; Shift consumer behaviours towards sustainable consumption patterns; Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns; ; Promote green and fair trade; Increase green and decent jobs, while developing the necessary human capital;

Description of the action: Support the South Caucasus countries state and private sector in application of RECP, application of Sustainable Consumption Patterns, provide platform for sharing information on action plans, new technologies and approaches on shifting to green economy

Action's timeframe/milestones, as appropriate: 2017-2022 years

Type of action: capacity building, networking, development multi stakeholder platform and voluntary instruments

Economic sectors: sectors, including: agriculture, forestry, fishing, energy, mining, manufacturing, transport, water, waste, tourism and housing, buildings and construction

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: Project budgets of planned projects to be implemented in close cooperation and support of EU, UNIDO, REC Caucasus and other interested donor partners

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: The South Caucasus countries accepted and implemented required green measures and actions in all sectors of economy and have accessibility to new knowledge and information.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: (SDG 9, SDG 12)

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate: Contribution to the implementation of the EPR recommendations in South Caucasus countries

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate:

1. Capacity building trainings of state actors and private sector in South Caucasus countries
2. Maintain Regional High Level Platform on Green Economy for exchange of best practices
3. Improve environmental performance of SMEs
4. Promote application of SEA for sustainable consumption and production

Partners: National partners, Ministries of economy, Ministries of the Environment Protection, private sectors, SMEs, SCOs, relevant international organizations and projects

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