

Assistance in Environmental Law Drafting in South Eastern Europe

Sixth meeting of Environmental Law Drafting Network of Senior Officials (ELDNSO)

December 16-17, 2005
Szentendre, Hungary

Agenda

Scope and Objectives

- To present, discuss and evaluate the outcomes of the project
- To present the regional report, *Progress in Environmental Law Drafting in the SEE*
- To officially launch the new name of the Network: Environmental Law Approximation Network (ELAN) and ensure ways for its operation beyond 2005
- To promote the improved web page of the project and the web based matrix of SEE environment law projects
- To discuss the concepts for the possible continuation of the present project
- To compile recommendations and obtain official statements of the beneficiary ministries on draft conclusions for the meeting

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Opening

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| 09:00-09:30 | Welcome remarks
Stephen Stec , Head, Environmental Law Programme, REC
Tsvetelina Borissova Filipova , Project Manager/Lawyer, Environmental Law Programme, REC
Yordanka Minkova , Project Manager, REReP Secretariat |
| 09:30-09:45 | Objectives and expected outcomes of the meeting, adoption of the agenda (Tsvetelina Filipova) |
| 09:45-10:00 | Official launch of the new name of the ELDNSO network: Environmental Law Approximation Network (ELAN) (Stephen Stec) |

Session 1

Results, Success Stories, and Challenges (Chairperson — Stephen Stec)

- 10:00-10:30 Regional activities, cooperation and exchange of experience, topical workshops and study visits (Tsvetelina Filipova)
- 10:30-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-13:30 Country/entity activities under the project (Introduction — Tsvetelina Filipova)
- Review of the successful work on chemicals
 - Beneficiary presentations on nature protection, waste, liability and noise legal assistance under the project
- 13:30-14:30 Lunch break

Session 2

Regional Report, Web Page and Evaluations of the Project (Chairperson – Tsvetelina Filipova)

- 14:30-15:00 Launch of the regional report, *Progress in Environmental Law Drafting in SEE* and other project publications (Stephen Stec and Oleksandra Ratushnyak, intern)
- 15:00-15:30 Web page of the project, the web based searchable database of the Matrix of the national legal drafting projects in the SEE countries and web links to status of approximation database (Veronika Farkas, Project Assistant)
- 15:30-16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00-17:00 Evaluation of project implementation and project results, discussions, conclusions and recommendations (Veronika Farkas, Project Assistant)

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Session 3

Regional Assistance in Environmental Law Drafting Beyond 2005 (Chairperson: Stephen Stec)

- 09:00-10:00 Presentation of the concept for the next phase of the project (Tsvetelina Filipova)
Discussions in two groups
- 10:00-10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30-10:45 Brief presentation of ECENA project
- 10:45-12:00 Presentation of draft conclusions for the meeting
Discussions, additional recommendations, conclusions and endorsement of the draft conclusions
- 12:00-12:30 ELAN – challenges for the future: Discussion on ways to ensure and facilitate the good operation of the ELAN beyond 2005

12:30-13:00 Wrap-up of the meeting (Tsvetelina Filipova)