

**REReP 1.8: Development of National Environmental Systems
National Needs Assessments and Steering Committee Meeting
November 19-20, 2001**

Agenda

Goal of the meeting:

The goal of the meeting was to draft an action plan for environmental information systems in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, FYR Macedonia, Romania and Yugoslavia (including Kosovo Territory Under UN Interim Administration).

Sunday November 18, 2001

Arrivals

19.00: Dinner

Monday November 19, 2001

9.00: Opening of the meeting, welcome remarks by Assistant Minister Hrvoje Glavac, introduction of participants (REC) and confirmation the agenda (REC)

9.30-13.30: Session on national needs assessments

I Panel (Johannes Mayer, Eno Dodbiba, Assistant Minister Mladen Rudez, Assistant Minister Borislav Jaksic)

9.30-10.00: Goals of the meeting (drafting national action plans for nine entities in seven SEE participating countries in the project, with environmental information system needs and priorities)
Role of the steering committee in finalising national needs assessments and implementation of the project in 2002 (moderated by REC)

10.00-10.30: Basic issues in national UNEP co-operation and INFOTERRA co-operation status in the SEE countries (presentation by Gerry Cunningham)

10.30-11.30 Presentation and discussion on the Albanian and Bosnian needs assessments (moderated by Johannes Mayer)

11.30-11.45: Coffee break

II Panel (Johannes Mayer, Ivanka Todorova, Assistant Minister Hrvoje Glavac)

11.45-12.45: Presentation and discussion on Bulgarian and Croatian needs assessments (moderated by Johannes Mayer)

12.45-13.45: Lunch

13.45-16.45: Session on national needs assessments (continued)

III Panel (Otto Simonett, Frank Eibisch, Svetlana Gjorgeva)

13.45-14.45: Presentation and discussion on needs assessments of Kosovo Territory under UN Interim Administration and Macedonia (moderated by Otto Simonett)

14.45-15.45: Coffee break

15.45-16.45:

IV Panel (Otto Simonett, Alberto Simion, Mihajlo Gavric)

Presentation and discussion on needs assessments of Romania and Yugoslavia (moderated by Otto Simonett)

16.45-17.45: Open discussion (including discussion on the reaction of NGOs to the needs assessments)

17.45-18.00: Conclusions of the first day of the meeting (Johannes Mayer, Otto Simonett, REC, Assistant Minister Hrvoje Glavac)

19.30: Dinner

Tuesday November 20, 2001

9.00-9.30

Presentation of the Balkan Environmental Regulatory Compliance and Enforcement Network (REReP project 1.7)

Presentation on information system for state monitoring of environment in Poland — conceptualisation and development by Andrzej Kraszewski

9.30-11.00: Session on the drafting of national action plans in nine working groups. Each working group drafted plans for nine entities (moderators were announced)

11.00-11.15: Coffee break

11.15-12.45:

The drafting of national action plans in the working groups continued. (moderators were announced)

12.45-13.45:

Working groups drafted regional recommendations for implementation of the project in 2002 (moderators were announced).

13.45-14.30: Conclusions

Time-table for further work and the discussion on the co-operation between the 1.8 and Environmental Information Portal Project (moderated by REC and Gerard Cunningham)

Announcement of date of next steering committee meeting and tentative date and scope of Szentendre workshop (REC)

Conclusions of the meeting (Assistant Minister Hrvoje Glavac)

14.30-15.30: Lunch

Departures