

1st Steering Committee meeting of the ENI SEIS II East project

29-30 November 2016

Venue: THE HOTEL, Boulevard de Waterloo 38
Brussels- 1000, Belgium

DRAFT AGENDA

Day 1 Co-Chairing: DG NEAR and EEA

DAY 1	Tuesday, 29 November 2016	
09:00-12:00	<i>Bilateral meetings between EEA and partner countries representatives</i>	Discussion
13:00-13:30	<i>Registration of participants</i>	
13:30-14:00	Welcome and presentation of the meeting objectives – presentation by EC DG NEAR and EEA Tour du table of the participants at the Steering Committee meeting	Information
	<i>Session 1. Political context and latest developments on the cooperation with the Eastern Partnership countries</i>	
14:00-15:30	Setting the scene: cooperation in the field of environment with the Eastern Partnership region – presentation by DG ENV ⇒ concrete actions coming out of the declarations and agreements ⇒ monitoring and reporting EU-funded regional projects and priorities for the period ahead, outcome of the first Eastern Partnership Ministerial meeting on Environment and Climate Change and concrete actions for the EC, EEA and EaP countries – presentation by DG NEAR Eastern Partnership in the focus of the Slovak Presidency in the Council of the European Union (second half of 2016) – intervention by the Permanent Representation of the Slovak Republic to the European Union EEA and latest developments within Eionet, Eionet's role in the project – presentation by EEA The project's summary of key activities and results during the inception phase – presentation by EEA Q&A – countries intervention on question 1 in the background note	Information Information Information Discussion
15:30-15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>	



	Session 2. Regional Dimension	
15:45-17:00	<p>Regional plan of activities – presentation by EEA based on the identified needs and priorities</p> <p>Environmental assessments and indicator-based reporting</p> <p>Synergies and joint activities with relevant partners (presentation by EEA with contribution from UNEP RoE, UNECE, OECD, WHO)</p> <p>Q&A – countries intervention on question 2 and 3 in the background note</p>	Discussion
17:00 – 17:15	Financial mechanisms to support the implementation of the ENI SEIS II East project – presentation by EEA	Information
17:15 – 17:30	Conclusions from Day 1 and closure of the meeting by DG NEAR and EEA	Information
17:30 – 18:30	<i>Cocktail reception</i>	



Day 2 Co-Chairing:
EEA and Country Representative – morning
DG NEAR and EEA – afternoon

DAY 2	Wednesday, 30 November 2016	
	Session 3. National work plan of activities for 2017 and beyond	
09:00-10:30	<p>Summary of day 1 and agenda for day 2</p> <p>Roles and responsibilities of the NFPs and process for setting up the National Implementation Teams (NITs).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Roundtable discussion around the identified elements to be considered for specific support ⇒ Lessons learned and opportunities at national level ⇒ Pilot case example to demonstrate SEIS in practice <p>Expected interventions by the countries on question 4 and 5 in the background note</p>	<p>Information</p> <p>Interactive discussion</p>
10:30-10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10:45-11:45	<p>Country-level activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Pilot case examples (continued) ⇒ Preparation of environmental assessments, State of Environment and indicator-based reporting in national context 	Interactive discussion
11:45-12:30	Next steps in the waste statistics project and country-level activities – presentation by Eurostat / project team leader	Information Discussion
12:30-14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
	Session 4. Next Steps	
14:00-14:30	Communication and visibility – cooperation with civil society organisations in the region (NGOs, EcoForum and RECs) – presentation by EEA	Discussion
14:30-16:00	<p>Next steps and way ahead:</p> <p>Summary of upcoming activities and milestones for 2017</p> <p>Any other business</p>	Decision
16:30-17:00	Conclusions and closure of the meeting	

