

*Implementation of the Shared Environmental
Information System (SEIS) principles and practices
in the Eastern Partnership countries*

*Financial mechanisms to support the implementation
of the ENI SEIS II East project*



Key points of the presentation

- Project budget and main elements
- Financial instruments
- Funding opportunities for the Eastern Partnership countries

Project budget and main elements

- Total value of the grant agreement between EEA and DG NEAR is 6,950,000 EUR including EEA own contribution and administrative costs.
- The operational part of the budget amounts to 4,239,000 EUR consisting of the following main areas:
 - Gross salaries for local/regional coordinators
 - Data availability assessments and national work plan development
 - International commitments activities
 - Capacity building for decision-making
 - Environmental Assessments
 - Communication, publication and visibility actions
 - Steering Committee and other management related meetings and events

Financial instruments to be deployed

- Framework contractor to support the cooperation with ENI East
 - New framework contract signed in 2016 with consortium led by ZOI Environment Networks (Switzerland) with Umweltbundesamt (Vienna, Austria) as the consortium member and REC Caucasus (Georgia) as the main contractor
 - Envisaged support varying across a number of tasks, linked to supporting the project activities at national level
- Eionet constituencies (mainly ETCs)

Funding opportunities for the Eastern Partnership countries

- EEA direct contribution towards gross salary of regional assistants / coordinators as employees in one of the institutions in the National Implementation Team
- Co-financing of SEIS capacity building activities (training, workshops, events)
- Coverage of experts' travel arrangements related to SEIS activities (expert visits, study tours)
- Co-financing of country specific pilot projects whenever feasible following the related EU finance and procurement regulations
- Cooperation with UN bodies in the region (e.g. UNECE)

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?