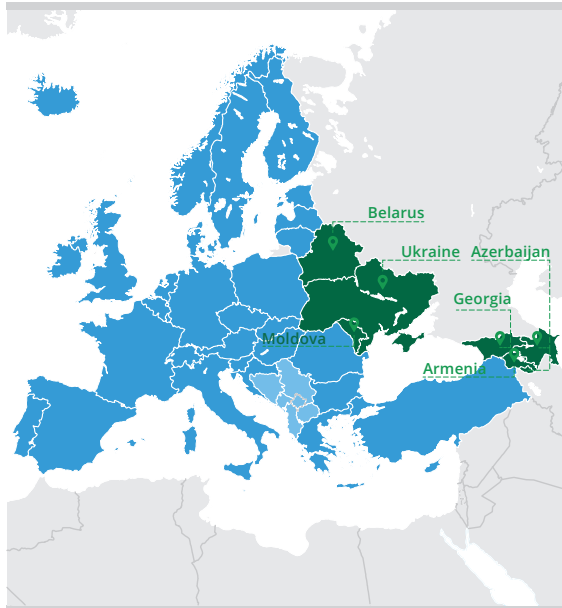


# PROJECT PARTNERS

The project's key partners are representatives from the national environmental and statistical authorities within the project's geographical area. The project aims to establish contact with relevant ministries, Århus Centres, civil society, and local authorities.

The project's beneficiaries are the six Eastern Partnership countries: **Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine.**

The ENI SEIS II South Project is managed by the EEA and the United Nations Environment Programme Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP/MAP) and runs in parallel with this project, pursuing similar aims with the countries in the southern Mediterranean.



## EEA and ENI SEIS II East project coverage

-  EEA member countries
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# ENI SEIS II East Project 2016-2020

“ The European Union has provided global environmental leadership for 40 years... The EU has demonstrated that well-designed, binding policies work - and deliver huge benefits. ”

**Hans Bruyninckx**  
Executive Director, EEA



## CONTEXT

This project is set in the context of the Eastern Partnership Initiative. This initiative aims to deepen the EU's relations with the six Eastern Partnership countries, supporting the promotion of environmental protection by strengthening environmental governance.

## OBJECTIVE

The main objective of the project is to continue to implement the principles and practices of the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS). The project builds on previous cooperative activities in the six Eastern Partnership countries.



ENI SEIS II East regional project meeting

## WORKING METHODS

A variety of methods will be employed to build capacity and provide technical assistance to the beneficiaries, including facilitating dialogue between institutions, arranging expert visits and study tours, providing guidance in accordance with European Environment Information and Observation Network (Eionet) best practices, and giving hands-on training in the identified priority areas.

The overall objective of SEIS is to improve the knowledge base for environmental policy and streamline environmental reporting.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

The project is based on the best EU and /or EEA Practices.

Improved implementation of regional and international commitments on environmental reporting;

Improved capacity to manage and use environmental information to support decision-making.

Regular 'state of environment' reports and indicator-based assessments in line with EU and EEA methodologies.

SEIS is a collaborative approach aiming to organise environmental information required for designing and implementing environmental policy.

## WHAT IS SEIS?



## SEIS IS BASED ON 7 PRINCIPLES

Information is:

1. Managed as close as possible to its source;
2. Collected once and shared for many purposes;
3. Available to fulfil reporting obligations;
4. Easily accessible to all users;
5. Accessible to enable comparisons at the appropriate geographical scale, and participation of citizens;
6. Available to the general public and at national level in the national language(s);
7. Supported through common, free, open software and standards.

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT

The project is managed and implemented by the EEA because of its extensive experience in facilitating cooperation and developing expertise through the Eionet. The project furthers the EEA's lead role in environmental knowledge-sharing and capacity building. The European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) SEIS II East Project runs from 2016 to 2020 and is financed by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR).