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*Implementation and Enforcement of the Environmental Acquis
focused on industrial waste management / Phase II*

2nd INTERIM QUARTERLY REPORT

Project Title: “Implementation and Enforcement of the Environmental Acquis focused on Industrial Waste Management, Phase II”

**Member State Partners: German Federal Ministry for the Environment,
Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety**

**Beneficiary Country: REPA Galati and LEPA of South East Region –
Romania**

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0. Summary:

This second Progress Report covers the activities undertaken during period 1st May 2008 – 31st July 2008.

During the reporting period the project work made good progress, different daily activities under Component 3 have been started, the activities under Component 2 have been finalised and the Focal point activities were improved.

- **Component 2 "Institution building – Institution matters/ changes/ support"**
The Institutional Assessment Report was finished and translated both in Romanian and English and the recommendations were presented during a seminar at regional level.
Also, during the same seminar there were discussed specific aspects related to stakeholder dialogues, cooperation structures and meeting organizing as important conditions for the implementation and enforcement of the environmental legislation in the Region South-East. All working days within component 2 are finished and the results were acquired as envisaged by the contract.
- **Component 3 "Support the REPA Galati in the performance of the daily activities":**
 - Within the Sub-component 3.2 Integrated Permitting Procedure there were carried out 2 expert missions with focus on the specific needs in the South-East Region. During the missions there were organized seminars on wind energy and COV Directive, working meetings for the elaboration of the Guideline on Foundries. Representatives from administrations and certain companies participated also as speakers as well. Within the reporting period 2 site visits at important large (international) companies in the specific fields, ArcelorMittal in Galati and Aker Tulcea Shipyards took place with focus on problems, which have to be solved according to the environmental legislation.
 - Within Sub-component 3.3 Waste Management the first working days were carried out by short term experts Martin Pohlmann and Ellen Gerlach. There were carried out discussions regarding the working plan and there were made recommendations included in the mission report and within the minutes of meeting.
 - Within the Sub-component 3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection there was carried out the first mission of STEs Michael Moll and Heinz Werner Persiel. For a better understanding of the regional particularities working meetings with National Institute for Research-Development Danube Delta and Biosphere

Reserve Administration of Danube Delta were organized as well as a site visit on Natural Park. Furthermore a seminar with focus on Natura 2000 Ecological Network aspects, like opportunities of different EU Programmes were provided and discussed.

- Within the Sub-component 3.9 Structural Instruments mission of STEs Guido Bockelmann and Werner van Ham took place. The mission objective was to organize and carry out the introductory workshop on Structural Funds and to start providing the training for the IB Departments for better performing the delegated tasks regarding the implementation of SOP Environment via projects.
- **Component 4 “Support the REPA Galati in the performance of Industrial Waste Management related tasks and the establishment of a Focal Point at REPA Galati”:**

During the reporting period several missions took place to support the REPA Galati in their role as national focal point for industrial waste management.

Within Activity 4.1 it was carried out the second mission with the participation of STEs Martin Pohlmann and Ellen Gerlach. During the mission a seminar on industrial waste management was organized and carried out. The topics approached during the seminar were focused on EU Waste policies, European Catalogue for Waste, Waste or by products, etc.

During the mission within Activity 4.2 “Presentation of Case Studies, types of landfills/ installations and procedures for the inspection of operators” and

Activity 4.3 “Monitoring procedures for existing landfills” the following activities were carried out:

- working meeting with REPA staff in charge for waste,
- preparation of documents necessary for the seminar on Waste Management,
- seminar related to implementation of the Technical Normative regarding urban waste,
- site visit to landfill Tirighina in Galati and a working meeting with representatives of ISPA Project in Galati for closure of existing landfill and opening of a new conform landfill for urban waste.

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1: PROJECT DATA

PROJECT DATA	
PROJECT NUMBER	RO2006/IB/EN/07
PROJECT TITLE	Implementation and Enforcement of the Environmental Acquis focused on industrial waste management, Phase II
CONTRACTING AUTHORITY	CFCU, Bucharest Romania
MEMBER STATE PARTNER	German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety
FINAL RECIPIENT	Regional Environment Protection Agency(REPA) Galati, and the six Local Environment Protection Agencies (LEPAs) in the South East Region, Romania
BC PROJECT LEADER	Mrs. Carmen Elena Sandu, REPA Galati
MS PROJECT LEADER	Mr. Michael Bass,
RESIDENT TWINNING ADVISER	Mrs. Dorothea Frohn
BC COUNTERPART	Mrs. Anastasia Lescai
PROJECT NOTIFICATION	31 January 2008
PROJECT DURATION	18 months
BUDGET	800.000 Euro Financing by Phare Programme 40.000 Euro Co-financing by Romanian MESD
REPORT NUMBER	1
PERIOD COVERED BY THE REPORT	1 May 2008 – 31 July 2008

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2: CONTENT

2.1: BACKGROUND

Project Purposes

The proposed project aims to continue supporting the Regional Environmental Protection Agency (REPA), the Local Environmental Protection Agencies (LEPAs) and the National Environmental Guard (NEG) within the region, with their day-to-day responsibilities and functions related to the implementation, monitoring and enforcement of the transposed environmental legislation in accordance with their responsibilities established by law.

The specific aim of this project is to consolidate the capacity of the REPA Galați and the LEPAs and NEG's structures in the South-East region in the implementation and enforcement of the environmental legislation.

In addition, during its life, the proposed project will assist REPA Galați to act as Focal Point for the technically focused activities related to Industrial Waste Management sector.

2.2: ACHIEVEMENT OF MANDATORY RESULTS

According to the Twinning Contract the mandatory results are the following:

1. Strengthened institutional capacities at regional and local levels in terms of good institutional management and technical performances of staff
2. All regional and local EPAs' and NEG's staff involved in permitting, monitoring and inspection is trained according to the training needs assessed; accordingly, associated competencies, knowledge and skills have significantly improved.
3. The regional component of the relevant strategic and planning documents on environmental protection are reviewed and improved or updated.
4. Data collection and storage systems have improved.
5. Programmes for remediation actions/measures of contaminated sites in the region have been developed.
6. Improved capacities and capabilities of IB to perform the delegated tasks regarding the implementation of SOP environment.
7. The REPA Galați is acting as Focal Point for the other REPAs/LEPAs/NEPA regarding the technically focused activities in industrial waste management.
8. To this end, national guidelines, standards and procedure manuals are provided by the Focal Point on its technically focused activity and are disseminated between the Romanian REPAs;
9. Furthermore, there will be trained staff with well developed skills for the specific areas of the focal Point.

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In Table 1 “Activities and Benchmarks of the Project” the list of 93 benchmarks is shown in connection to the related components and activities of the work plan of the project, as well as the respective deadlines set out in the Twinning Contract and expressed in calendar months within the implementation period.

Activities marked in yellow have started in the period of reference or before and the activities marked in green are finalized. The column “Current status” shows for each activity if it is in progress or done (no remarks and no color means that work has not started). Benchmarks reached are marked by a “X” symbol.

Table 1: Activities and Benchmarks of the Project

Components + Activities		Benchmarks	Deadline (m/y)	Current status
Component 1: Kick Off, Coordination with other projects, RTA Travel to other projects				
1.1	Installation of the project: Project Kick Off Meeting	1. Partners and regional stakeholders informed about the project objectives, activities and time schedule	2 nd month	X
		2. Working groups for the daily and technically focused activities established		X
		3. All actors involved are aware of the project purposes, of their roles and responsibilities		X
1.2	Project coordination by RTA with NEPA and other REPAs	4. Working relations between the twinning projects of other REPAs and the NEPA established	4 th month	In progress
		5. REPA Galati established as focal point	6 th month	
		6. Communication network on IPPC developed	7 th month	
		7. Information exchange continuously maintained	17 th month	
1.3	Study Visits	8. Study Visit to Germany	7 th month	
		9. Study Visit to Germany	14 th month	
1.4	Wrap-up workshop	10. Project activities evaluated	18 th month	
		11. Outlook for future activities in the field defined		
Component 2: Institution building – Institutional Matters/Change/Support				
2.1	Assessment and Implementation Plan	12. Assessment with gap analysis including recommendations for improvement for all nine fields of responsibility carried out	3 rd month	X
2.2	Nation wide exchange	13. Nation-wide workshop on status quo and results and recommendations from all 8 regional projects under responsibility of NEPA implemented	6 th month	X
2.3	Personnel development	14. Training needs have been identified	3 rd month	X
		15. Staff training plan and programmes updated (20 persons trained)		
		16. Personnel development strategy elaborated		
2.4	Cooperation structures with other agencies	17. Definition of roles and responsibilities of all relevant actors and stakeholders	6 th month	X
		18. Recommendations on cooperation structures elaborated		X

Component 3: Daily activities				
Sub - Component 3.1: Environmental Planning and Policy				
3.1.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of environmental planning and policy	19. Training in reviewing, updating and monitoring of the Environmental Protection Action Plans implemented (about 30 experts trained)	17 th month	
		20. Assessment of the environmental plans in light of the conformity with general regional environmental goals carried out		
		21. System for the regular monitoring of the activities in the framework of the regional and local Environmental Action Plans has been defined and implemented		
3.1.2	Evaluation Workshop with recommendations	22. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		23. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector have been devised and additional training needs have been identified		
		24. The relevant Romanian administrations have proceeded the implementation of the recommendations regarding Environmental Planning and Policy by the end of the project		
Sub - Component 3.2: Integrated Permitting Procedure				
3.2.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of Integrated Permitting Procedure	25. Training on the job related to IPPC and the Environmental Management System (EMS) provided, including reviewing the environmental integrated permits and monitoring of compliance (about 60 experts trained)	17 th month	In progress
3.2.2	Elaboration of a Technical Guideline including Determination of BAT and Permitting Requirements for Installations (acc. Nr 3.3 Installations for the manufacture of glass including Glass fiber with a melting capacity exceeding 20t/day of Annex 1 IPPC Directive)	26. Technical Guideline on Installations for the manufacture of Glass prepared	17 th month	In progress
		27. Technical guideline presented to all relevant Romanian Experts / stakeholders in a workshop		
3.2.3	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	28. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 40 participants)		
		29. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector have been devised and additional training needs have been identified		
		30. The relevant Romanian administrations have proceeded the implementation of the recommendations regarding the Integrated Permitting Procedure by the end of the project		

Sub – Component 3.3: Waste Management				
3.3.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of Regional Waste Management Plan and optimization of the data collection system	31. Training sessions on important aspects of Waste Management implemented (data collection, storage, reporting and information flow) implemented (about 40 experts trained)	17 th month	In progress
		32. Regional Waste Management Plan reviewed/updated		
3.3.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	33. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 40 participants)	17 th month	
		34. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		35. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations regarding Waste Management including the revised Waste Management Plan by the end of the project		
Sub – Component 3.4: Air Quality and Climate Change				
3.4.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of air quality management	36. Training sessions implemented and advice provided on important aspects of air quality tasks (e.g. monitoring, quality of measurement data, data storage, reporting and information flow, software) (about 30 experts trained)	17 th month	
		37. Support has been given in the monitoring of compliance of regional operators developing specific activities with effect on earth climate		
		38. Action plans and programmes for air quality management and emissions' reduction, as well climate change permits have been prepared/updated		
3.4.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	39. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		39. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		40. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations regarding ambient air quality management including the revised plans for ambient air quality management by the end of the project		
		41. Information disseminated by CD ROM and updated contents of website		
Sub – Component 3.5: Biodiversity and Nature Protection				
3.5.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training	42. Training sessions implemented and advice provided on important aspects of biodiversity and nature protection/Natura 2000 (e.g. on updating and review of inventories of species and habitats), as well as training to improve knowledge and skills of target public institutions involved in biodiversity and nature protection sector (about 30 participants)	17 th month	X

	and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of biodiversity and nature protection	43. The documentation for the establishment of new protected areas, including Natura 2000 sites has been prepared		X
		44. Status of existing network of protected areas is monitored		X
		45. Data collection/storage improved		X
3.5.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	46. The implementation training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		47. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		48. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations regarding biodiversity and nature protection by the end of the project		
Sub – Component 3.6: Soil and Sub-soil Protection and Ecological Reconstruction				
3.6.1	Introductory workshop on Soil and Sub-soil and ecological reconstruction	49. General aspects and difficulties of Soil and Sub-soil and ecological reconstruction presented and discussed in a workshop (about 30 participants)	6 th month	
		50. Special training needs and the detailed training programme for the sub-component Soil and Sub-soil and ecological reconstruction (scope, contents, time schedule)		
3.6.2	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of Soil and Sub-soil and ecological reconstruction	51. Training sessions implemented and advice provided on important aspects of Soil and Sub-soil and ecological reconstruction (about 30 experts trained)	17 th month	
3.6.3	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	52. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		53. Further recommendations for improvements in sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		54. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations		
Sub – Component 3.7: Chemicals Legislation				
3.7.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of chemicals legislation	55. Training session implemented and advice provided on important aspects of chemicals legislation (e.g. monitor the use and trade of restricted chemical substances; about 15 experts trained)	17 th month	
		56. Support given in the identification of economic agents that develop activities involving persistent, bio-accumulable and toxic chemical substances (PCB, CMR) according to REACH procedure		

3.7.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	57. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 15 participants)	17 th month	
		58. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		59. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations regarding chemicals legislation by the end of the project		
Sub-Component 3.8: Horizontal Legislation				
3.8.1	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of horizontal legislation	60. Training sessions implemented and advice provided on important aspects of horizontal legislation (e.g. EIA procedure for projects to be financed from Structural and Cohesion Funds; review of the EIA/SEA studies' reports and subsequently related permitting process; about 30 participants)	17 th month	X
3.8.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	61. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		62. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		63. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations regarding horizontal legislation by the end of the project		
Sub-component 3.9: Structural Instruments				
3.9.1	Introductory workshop on Structural Instruments	64. General aspects and difficulties of Structural Instruments presented and discussed in a workshop (about 30 participants)	6 th month	X
		65. Special training needs and the detailed training programme for the sub-component Structural Instruments (scope, contents, time schedule)		
3.9.2	Assessment of Status Quo, training and implementation of the specific requirements in the daily tasks of Structural Instruments	66. Training sessions implemented and advice provided on important aspects of Structural Instruments (about 30 experts trained)	6 th month	In progress
3.9.3	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	67. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	
		68. Further recommendations for improvements in the sector made and additional training needs have been identified		
		69. The relevant Romanian administrations have started the implementation of the recommendations		
Component 4: Technically focused activities				
4.1	Legislative support	70. All relevant EC Directives presented	4 th month	In progress
		71. Legal gap analysis performed	5 th month	

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		72. Recommendations on the alignment of the national legislation elaborated and disseminated	6 th month	
4.2	Presentations of case Studies, types of landfills/installations and procedures for the inspection	73. Guidance on administrative procedures regarding the inspection of disposal procedures of operators elaborated	7 th month	In progress
		74. Templates for the documentation of transport and disposal of hazardous substances, documentation and dissemination	10 th month	
4.3	Monitoring procedures for existing landfills	75. Responsibilities of different environmental authorities (REPA, LEPA, NEG) in the field of monitoring landfills clarified	8 th month	In progress
		76. Administrative monitoring procedures defined	10 th month	
		77. Technical procedures defined	12 th month	
		78. Documentation (guidelines, manuals) are disseminated		
4.4	Closure and after-closure monitoring, procedures and training	79. Priorities for closure or recovery defined	10 th month	In progress
		80. Cost assessment prepared	12 th month	
		81. Closure procedures for industrial waste landfills (technical requirements, permits, ...) are elaborated	13 th month	
		82. Training programme defined and implemented	14 th month	
4.5	Recovery, procedures and training	83. Priorities for closure or recovery defined	12 th month	
		84. Cost assessment prepared		
		85. Possible solutions for recovery of industrial waste in landfills are assessed	13 th month	
		86. Guidelines for recovery (checklist for supervisory authorities, technical descriptions, ...) are elaborated	14 th month	
		87. Training programme and materials on monitoring procedures for industrial waste landfills and on recovery	15 th month	
		88. Training measures (workshops with REPA/LEPA staff, seminars for municipalities and operators, case study) are implemented	16 th month	
4.6	Support in planning procedures/ industrial waste management at the regional level	89. Possible use of Structural Instruments for necessary investment measures, like SOP Environment and Program Complement etc. are assessed	12 th month	
		90. Activities are coordinated with those on Regional Environmental Action Plans, Master Planning, Soil Protection	17 th month	
4.7	General Focal Point activities	91. Advice given to other RTAs/STEs from the other twinning projects	17 th month	
		92. A network for communication and exchange of information/progress related to industrial waste management issues is built up	17 th month	
		93. Focal Point established	6 th month	

2.3 ACTIVITIES IN THE REPORTING PERIOD

In the reporting period, work started within Activity 2.2, Activity 2.4, Sub-component 3.2, Sub-component 3.5, Sub-component 3.9, Activity 4.1, Activity 4.2 and Activity 4.3.

Component 2: Institution building – Institution matters/changes/support

Activity 2.2 Nation wide exchange

This mandated output - Nation-wide workshop on status quo and results and recommendations from all 8 regional projects under responsibility of NEPA - is to be understood as referring to results and recommendations from the previous phase of the twinning projects. It is required that results and recommendations from the twinning projects be implemented as they are relevant to the twinning project at REPA Galati. Also, it reasonably requires taking into account possible discussions on the national level and particular any analyses and recommendations undertaken within the NEPA Twinning Project in the current phase; therefore, in implementing these requirements each regional project will carry out workshops, as feasible, dealing with those results and recommendations.

During the mission of Key Expert Keya Choudhury and STE Jens Oelerich there was carried out an workshop where were presented the results of the institutional capacity assessment and it contained a training session related to the Importance of Stakeholder Dialogues to Achieve Integrated Waste Management in the South East Region of Romania.

At this workshop participated about 25 representatives of REPA Galati, LEPAs, NEG, DDBRA, County Councils, City Halls and IB SOP Environment.

Activity 2.4 Cooperation structures with other agencies

All the measures envisaged within this activity were examined in depth and the results of the assessment are included in the final version of the Assessment Report on Institutional Capacity that is available in Romanian and English version.

All working days within component 2 are finished and the results are acquired as envisaged by the contract

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 1 the Assessment Report elaborated by the experts, invitations, agendas, presentations and list of participants at the seminar.

Component 3: Support the REPA Galati in the performance of the daily activities

Sub-component 3.2 Integrated Permitting Procedure

The mission within Activity 3.2.1 of Key Expert Franz Ellerman and STEs Klaus Warnatz and Richard Schlachta was carried out from 23rd until 27th of June 2008. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- A site visit of an IPPC installation under the scope of the GD 699/2003 took place on 24th of June 2008. Subject of the visit was the ship building yard Aker Tulcea, a facility under the scope of the IPPC Directive and VOC-directive because of the activity “coating of metal surfaces with solvents”. The Romanian and German experts discussed the permit and worked out some recommendations on further procedure.
- On 25th of June, training on IPPC and VOC Directives took place in form of a workshop based on the draft of the Guideline for industrial Installations falling under No 6.7 Annex I IPPC Directive (Surface Treatment using Organic Solvents). At the beginning of the workshop, the representatives of REPA and LEPA got the draft of the guideline as well as the presentations of the STE in Romanian language. This information material was the basis for the workshop and for the discussions. At the seminar participated about 20 representatives of REPA Galati, LEPAs and NEG in SE Region.
- Support in daily activities: Actual problems especially on permitting procedure and VOC requirements (with focus on shipyards) have been discussed during the mission in detail especially during the workshop and several meetings with REPA.

The mission within Activity 3.2.2 of Key Expert Franz Ellerman and STEs Klaus Warnatz and Konrad Mair was carried out from 09th until 13th of June 2008. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- working visit to a mix foundry within ArcelorMittal for the elaboration of the Guidelines on activity 2.4 from Annex 1 of IPPC Directive;
- a working meeting at REPA Galati with representatives from REPA Galati, LEPA Galati and NEG Galati for the elaboration of the Guideline on foundries and, also,
- an open seminar on Wind Energy. At this seminar participated about 35 representatives from REPA Galati, LEPAs and NEG in SE Region, IB SOP Environment and NGOs.

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For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 2 the mission reports of the Experts, invitations, agendas, presentations and lists of participants.

Sub-component 3.3 Waste Management

During the first working days within this sub-component, carried out by short term experts Martin Pohlmann and Ellen Gerlach, there were carried out discussions regarding and were made recommendations related to: Analysis of the existing system of data collection, development of a questionnaire for collecting waste data for household waste and industrial waste, presentation of a German waste management plan, recommendations for control / revision of the Regional Plan for Waste Management, aspects of EU support, Priorities for meeting the strategic objectives of the RPWM, etc.

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 3 the mission report of the Experts and minutes of meeting.

Sub-component 3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection

The mission of STEs Michael Moll and Heinz Werner Persiel was carried out from 30th of June until 04th of July 2008. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- workshop related to the implementation of Natura 2000 network. At this workshop participated about 20 representatives from REPA Galati, LEPAs, NEG, IB SOP Environment and NGOs.
- site visit to Natural Park “Lunca Joasa a Prutului Inferior”
- 2 working meetings at NIRDDD (National Institute for Research-Development Danube Delta) and DDBRA (Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve Administration).

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 4 the mission report of the Experts, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

Sub-component 3.9 Structural Instruments

During the mission of STE Guido Bockelmann, from 16th until 20th of June 2008 there were carried out coordination meetings with IB SOP Environment, preparation of workshop on SF and open seminar on “Structural funds as tool for regional stakeholders to implement regional environmental policy”.

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At the seminar participated about 25 representatives of IB SOP Environment, REPA Galati, LEPA in SE Region and RDA SE.

During the mission of STE Werner Van Ham, from 16th until 20th of June 2008, the main focus was to provide training on the job related to specific practical questions of project implementation with the various departments of the intermediate body for SOP ENV in Galati.

The results obtained are:

- Attention drawn to the necessity to properly document all checks made and decisions taken in connection with project proposals and approved projects.
- Project costs that are not explicitly declared ineligible by EU or Romanian legislation or the project contract, can be considered eligible

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 5 the mission reports of the Experts, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

Component 4: Support the REPA Galati in the performance of Industrial Waste Management related tasks and the establishment of a Focal Point at REPA Galati

Activity 4.1 Legislative support

The 2nd mission within this activity was carried out from 4th until 6th of May 2008 with the participation of STEs Martin Pohlmann and Ellen Gerlach. During the mission it was carried out a seminar related to “Implementation of legislation on industrial waste”.

At this seminar participated about 20 representatives of REPA Galati, LEPA and NEG in SE Region and stakeholders

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 6 the mission report of the experts, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

Activity 4.2 Presentation of Case Studies, types of landfills/installations and procedures for the inspection of operators

Activity 4.3 Monitoring procedures for existing landfills

The mission of STE Eckhard Fliege, within Activity 4.2, was carried out from 23rd until 27th of June 2008. There were carried out the following activities:

- Working meeting with REPA staff in charge for waste,
- Preparation of documents necessary for the seminar on Waste Management.

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- The seminar was related to implementation of the Technical Normative regarding urban waste landfills and how to inspect a functioning landfill for urban waste by the competent authorities. At the seminar participated about 15 representatives from REPA Galati, LEPA Galati, LEPA Vrancea, LEPA Constanta, LEPA Braila, NEG Tulcea, NEG DDBRA Tulcea and NEG Galati.

The mission of STE Reiner Drewes, within Activity 4.3, was carried out from 23rd until 27th of June 2008. There were carried out the following activities:

- Elaboration of templates for monitoring and inspection procedures for urban waste landfills
- Working meeting with REPA staff in charge for waste,
- Preparation of documents necessary for the seminar on Waste Management.

Also, there were carried out a visit to landfill Tirighina in Galati and a working meeting with representatives of ISPA Project in Galati for closure of existing landfill and opening of a new conform landfill for urban waste

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 7 the mission report of the experts, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

Steering Committee

The first meeting of the Steering Committee was carried out on 10th of July 2008 at the premises of DDBRA Tulcea starting with 10.00 am and all members arrived. The agenda of the meeting was the following: presentation of the main results achieved regarding the support in the daily activities so far, discussion and confirmation regarding the next work steps; activities scheduled for the next reporting period, discussions and agreements regarding future activities (study visits, national workshops, etc.). The welcoming and introduction was made by Mrs. Daniela Topirceanu, MESD Directorate for Structural Instruments and Mr. Michael Bass, MS Project Leader. The RTA presented the activities carried out in the reporting period, the activities for the next period. There were discussed also aspects related to the organization of a common workshop in January 2009 in collaboration with MESD, NEPA, Twinning Project in REPA Craiova and Twinning Project in REPA Bacau. This workshop will bring together all the documents that should be elaborated under the Focal Point Activities of the three Twinning Projects, to discuss exactly what should each project elaborate in order to overcome any overlapping of the guidelines. Regarding the first Study Visit in Germany there were discussions related to list of participants. It was decided that at this Study Visit should also participate representatives from MESD and DDBRA Tulcea. In order to include the new participants within the contract it will be mandatory to prepare a Side-letter.

For more detailed information please find attached in Annex 8 the minute of the meeting, invitation and list of participants.

Side-letters

In the reporting period was submitted 1 side-letter:

Side-letter no 3:

- within Sub-component 3.9 Mr. Werner Van Ham was calculated as a regular public servant and not as a mandated body expert and necessary provisions were allocated,
- within Activity 4.3 it is introduced Mr. Reiner Drewes

2.4: TIMING AND DELAYS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Activity/Action Planned																	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Activity/Action Performed																	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Activity/Action Delayed by more than 3 months																	
Project Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Component 1	Kick off, Coordination with other projects, RTA travel to other projects																	
Activity 1.1	X																	
Activity 1.2	X	X																
Activity 1.3																		
Activity 1.4																		
Component 2	Institution building - Institutional matters / Change / Support																	
Activity 2.1		X																
Activity 2.2						X												
Activity 2.3			X															
Activity 2.4						X												

Project Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Component 3	Daily Activities																	
Sub-component 3.1	Environmental Planning and Policy																	
Activity 3.1.1																		
Activity 3.1.2																		
Sub-component 3.2	Integrated Permitting Procedure																	
Activity 3.2.1					X													
Activity 3.2.2					X													

Activity 3.2.3																			
Sub-component 3.3 Waste management																			
Activity 3.3.1				X															
Activity 3.3.2																			
Sub-component 3.4 Air Quality and Climate Change																			
Activity 3.4.1																			
Activity 3.4.2																			
Sub-component 3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection																			
Activity 3.5.1						X													
Activity 3.5.2																			
Sub-component 3.6 Soil and Sub-soil and Ecological Reconstruction																			
Activity 3.6.1																			
Activity 3.6.2																			
Activity 3.6.3																			
Sub-component 3.7 Chemicals legislation																			
Activity 3.7.1																			
Activity 3.7.2																			
Sub-component 3.8 Horizontal Legislation																			
Activity 3.8.1			X																
Activity 3.8.2																			
Sub-component 3.9 Structural Instruments																			
Activity 3.9.1					X														
Activity 3.9.2					X														
Activity 3.9.3																			

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Component 4 Technically Focused Activities																			
Activity 4.1		X																	
Activity 4.2			X		X														
Activity 4.3		X			X														
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2.5: ASSESSMENT

During the reporting period the project work made further progress as following:

- activities under Component 2 have been finalised
- different daily activities under Component 3 have been started
- Focal point activities were improved.

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These results were possible on the basis of a very good cooperation between the Project partners from Romania and Germany at the different levels.

All actors involved are aware of the project purposes, their roles and responsibilities regarding the preparation and the implementation of the different activities within the project.

Especially all STEs missions were prepared very carefully from both sides, from the Romanian as well as from the German partners. Different visits in main companies, institutions and Natural parks took place with aim to train REPA/LEPA staff involved in permitting, monitoring and inspection.

Furthermore all working meetings and seminars were characterised by a combination of Romanian and German presentations, experiences and recommendations in the different fields. Only with this methodology synergies are possible.

In the reporting period the project activities regarding the assistance for REPA Galați to act as Focal Point for the technically focused activities related to Industrial Waste Management sector were improved. STE R. Drewes with long-term experiences in the field of waste management in Germany and Romania started his work with success.

An important proposal to receive efficient results/outputs was made and approved during the Steering Committee meeting: Organisation of a common workshop together with MESD, NEPA, Twinning Projects in REPA Craiova and REPA Bacau in January 2009 to discuss together all the documents to be elaborated under the Focal Point Activities of the different Twinning Projects with the aim to overcome any overlapping of the guidelines.

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3. EXPENDITURES

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4. ANNEXES