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

6th 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

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0. Summary:

This sixth Progress Report covers the activities undertaken during period **1st May 2009 – 04th August 2009**.

During the reporting period the project work made further very good progress, different daily activities under Component 3 as well as under the focal point activities (Component 4) have been finished with very good results. Under Component 1 the second Study tour took place and during the Wrap-up meeting Romanian and German Experts presented their common Twinning Project results.

- **Component 1 “Kick-Off, Coordination with other projects, RTA Travel to other projects”**
 - Within Activity **1.3 Study Visits** there was carried out the second Study Visit to Germany envisaged by the twinning contract. The objective of the visit was to improve the knowledge of Romanian Experts, accumulated during the implementation period of the project, in the field of IPPC and experience exchange on practical implementation of European Directives.
 - Within Activity **1.4 Wrap-Up Meeting** it was carried out the Closure Conference of the Twinning Project. At this Conference and in front of representatives from the German Federal Ministry of Environment, the Romanian Ministry of Environment, NEPA and from the REPA South East as well as the LEPAs from this region there was presented the general outputs and results of the project. Experts from both countries, Germany and Romania, presented the results which were achieved in a very close collaboration in all the different activities.
- **Component 3 “Support the REPA Galati in the performance of the daily activities”:**
 - Within the Sub-component **3.2 IPPC** there has been carried out 2 missions. The first mission of Mr. Klaus Warnatz, Mr. Franz Willi Iven and Mr. Heinz Baumgarten took place from 18th until 22nd of May 2009. The objective of the mission was to present and discuss during a workshop about the following topics: emission monitoring, technical solutions to reduce CO₂ emissions, surface treatment using organic solvents and more. They evaluated the input of the Twinning project under this activity and gave further recommendations for improvements in this sector. The second mission of STE Richard Schlachta was carried out from 14th until 17th of July 2009. During the mission he was also involved in the Closure Conference of the project where he made a specific presentation related to the results achieved on IPPC and gave further recommendations,

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- Within the Sub-component **3.4 Air Quality and Climate Change** there was carried out the third mission of STEs Dr. Bernd Heits and Mr. Wolfgang Mueller. During the mission they carried out one workshop presenting and discussing the Guidelines for the Operation of the Romanian Air Quality Monitoring System. Both experts were also involved in the Closure Conference of the project where Mr. Heits presented the results achieved related to Air Quality and Climate Change,
- Within the Sub-component **3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection** there was carried out mission of STE Heinz Werner Persiel and Mandated Body Expert Mrs. Keya Choudhury from 15th until 23rd of July 2009. During the mission the following activities were carried out: Starting with coordination meeting with RTA and RTA Counterpart, followed by working meetings with the REPA staff in charge for biodiversity and nature protection, workshop on the importance of Biodiversity in Romania, national strategies, European framework and more. Mr. Persiel presented during the Closure Conference of the project specific results achieved on Biodiversity and Nature Protection within this Twinning Project,
- Within the Sub-component **3.6 Soil, Subsoil and ecological restoration** there was carried out the last mission from 12th until 17th of July 2009, with the participation of STE Mr. Martin Pohlmann. During the mission he worked together with REPA staff in charge of the specific questions regarding Waste Management in this field. Further he was also involved in the Closure Conference of the project where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Waste Management,
- Within the Sub-component **3.7 Chemicals Legislation** there has been carried out the second mission from 21st until 26th of June 2009, with the participation of STEs Mrs. Barbara Friedel and Mr. Udo Rohweder. During the mission there were carried out the following activities: coordination meeting with RTA and RTA Counterpart, working meetings with the REPA staff in charge for Chemicals and one Workshop with the following topics: REACH regulation and GHS/CLP (Globally Harmonized Systems / Classification, Labelling and Packaging),
- Within the Sub-component **3.9 Structural Instruments** there has been carried out the mission of STEs Wolfgang Pfeiffer, Werner van Hamm and Jens Nowak from 7th until 12th of June 2009. During the mission there were carried out the following activities: Evaluation Workshop, meetings with the Intermediate Body, Consultation with the different compartments of the IB, Visit on the spot and discussion with Final Beneficiary. Mr. Wolfgang Pfeiffer made another mission in this reporting period, from 12^h until 17th of July 2009. During the mission we continued to work with the different departments of the IB for SOP Environment, and he was also involved in the Closure Conference of the project

where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Structural Instruments.

- **Component 4 “Support the REPA Galati in the performance of Industrial Waste management related tasks and the Establishment of a Focal Point Industrial Waste Management at REPA Galati”.**

Under Component 4 different missions were carried out to finish all the planned results and activities including training

- o Within Activity **4.5 Recovery, Procedures and Training** there has been carried out 1 mission of the following German Experts: Mrs. Evelyn Schaffranka, Mr. Klaus Rehda, Mr. Peter Bothmann and Mr. Ralf Menzel. During the mission all experts were involved in organizing and carrying out the National Conference on Industrial Waste Management. This Conference was held in Sinaia at the premises of Hotel Mara from 16th until 18th of June 2009,
- o Within Activity **4.6 Support in planning procedures / industrial waste management at the regional level** there was carried out the mission of Mr. Eckhard Fliege. During his mission he was also involved in preparation and carrying out the National Conference on Industrial waste,
- o Within Activity **4.7 General Focal Point activities** there was carried out the mission of Mr. Wolfgang Burger. During the mission he worked together and supported the other German Experts in organizing and carrying out the National Conference in Sinaia.

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
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PERIOD COVERED BY THE REPORT	01 May 2009 – 04 August 2009

2: CONTENT

2.1: BACKGROUND

Project Purposes

The **project aims** are 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.

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	X
		5. REPA Galati established as focal point	6 th month	X
		6. Communication network on IPPC developed	7 th month	X
		7. Information exchange continuously maintained	17 th month	X
1.3	Study Visits	8. Study Visit to Germany	7 th month	X
		9. Study Visit to Germany	14 th month	X
1.4	Wrap-up workshop	10. Project activities evaluated	18 th month	X
		11. Outlook for future activities in the field defined		X
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	X
		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	X
		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	X
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	X
		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)	17 th month	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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

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	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	X
		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	X
		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	X
3.6.3	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	52. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	X
		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	X
		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		

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3.7.2	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	57. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 15 participants)	17 th month	X
		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	X
		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	X
3.9.3	Evaluation workshop with recommendations	67. The implemented training programme has been evaluated in a workshop (about 30 participants)	17 th month	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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	X
		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 continued within Activity 1.3, Activity 1.4, Sub-component 3.2, Sub-component 3.4, Sub-component 3.5, Sub-component 3.6, Sub-component 3.7, Sub-component 3.9, Activity 4.5, Activity 4.6 and Activity 4.7.

Component 1: Kick-Off, Coordination with other projects, RTA Travel to other projects

Activity 1.3 Study Visits

The **2nd Study Visit** to Germany was carried out with the participation of 10 BC experts from Ministry of Environment, NEPA, REPA Galati, LEPA Constanta, LEPA Buzau and LEPA Tulcea from 03rd to 09th of May 2009. The objective of the visit was to improve the knowledge of Romanian Experts, accumulated during the implementation period of the project, in the field of IPPC and experience exchange on practical implementation of European Directives.

During the visit there were carried out working meetings at:

- Painting shop in ecological series at BMW SA in Munchen,
- SC. Müller-BBM SRL,
- Experiences exchange on IPPC – Oberbayern District Authorities,
- Working visit at Thermo-electrical plant München-North,
- Visit at Hamburg Port,
- BAT for abrasives: "Hermes Schleifmittel" SRL, Hamburg,
- Visit at hazardous waste incinerator Sondermuell,
- Fuel storage and distribution at „Oiltanking Deutschland", Hamburg Storage.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 1** the Study Visit Report.

Activity 1.4 Wrap-up Meeting

On 16th of July 2009 it was carried out the Closure Conference of the project at the premises of the Hotel Vega Conference Room in Galati. The objective of this meeting was to present to results achieved during the implementation of the project. The welcoming speeches were made by Mr. Constantin Petrea, BC Project Leader, Mr. Michael Bass, MS Project Leader and Mrs. Adela Nica from the Ministry of Environment, Management Authority for SOP Environment. The introductory presentation was made by the RTA Mrs. Dorothea Frohn by presenting the general and mandatory objectives of the projects and part of the results achieved on institutional building and Focal Point activities. The other results on the daily activities were

presented by the German Experts in collaboration with the Romanian Counterparts for the different activities, such as:

- **IPPC:** presentations made by Mr. Richards Schlachta from Bavarian State Ministry for Environment and Public Health and Mrs. Daniela Ciuta from REPA Galati, Authorization Department,
- **Waste Management:** presentations made by Mr. Martin Pohlmann from Ministry of Rural Development, Environment and Consumer Protection of the Land Brandenburg and Mrs. Fica Boldea from REPA Galati, Head Office Implementation of Environmental Policies Department,
- **Biodiversity and Nature Protection:** presentations made by Mr. Heinz Werner Persiel, STE from Germany and Mrs. Lucia Marica from REPA Galati, Implementation of Environmental Policies Department,
- **Air Quality and Climate Change:** presentations made by Mr. Bernd Heits, STE from Germany and Mrs. Miorita Arfire from LEPA Galati, Monitoring, Databases and Reporting Department,
- **Horizontal Legislation:** presentations made by Mrs. Gabriele Schramm from Regional Government of Middlehessen and Mrs. Vasilica Ciobotaru from REPA Galati, Head Office Authorization Department,
- **Structural Instruments:** presentations made by Mr. Wolfgang Pfeiffer, STE Germany and Mrs. Silvia Buhlea, Director of IB SOP Environment in South East Region.

At the Conference participated about 45 representatives from: Ministry of Environment, NEPA, REPA Galati, the 6 LEPA's and NEG in South East Region, Local Authorities, IB SOP Environment and German experts.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 2** the mission report of the Experts, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

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

Sub-component 3.2 IPPC

During the reporting period there were carried out 2 missions of German Experts.

The mission of STEs Mr. Klaus Warnatz, Mr. Franz Willi Iven and Mr. Heinz Baumgarten took place from 17th until 21st of May 2009. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- Coordination meeting with RTA and RTA Counterpart
- Working meeting with REPA staff in charge with IPPC authorizations
- Evaluation Workshop with Recommendations on IPPC. The topics approached during the workshop were: BAT for ships and yachts painting activities, treatment of surfaces using organic solvents, authorization of large installations,

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technical possibilities of reducing the CO₂ emissions from thermo-electrical plants, and more.

At this workshop there participated about 27 representatives from: REPA Galati, the 6 LEPA's in SE Region, NEG in SE Region, local authorities and operators.

The mission of STE Mr. Richard Schlachta took place from 14th until 17th of July 2009. During the mission he was involved in the Closure Conference of the Twinning Project where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on IPPC.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 3** the mission reports of the Experts, presentations and list of participants.

Sub-component 3.4 Air Quality

Within this sub-component the STEs Dr. Bernd Heits and Mr. Wolfgang Muller organized one day workshop related to the Guidelines for the Operation of the Romanian Air Quality Monitoring System elaborated within the twinning project in REPA Cluj, document that was disseminated in all environmental administration. It was presented the content of the guidelines and the participants asked specific questions to which the experts answered with practical examples.

For the rest of the mission the experts were involved in the Closure Conference of the project where Mr. Bernd Heits made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Air Quality and Climate Change.

At the workshop participated about 19 representatives from: REPA Galati and LEPA's in SE Region, NEG Tulcea, NEG Braila, Prefecture of Galati, County Council of Galati and IB SOP Environment.

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

Sub-component 3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection

The last mission of STE Heinz Werner Persiel and Mandated Body Expert Mrs. Key Choudhury took place from 14th until 22nd of July 2009. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- coordination meeting with RTA and RTA Counterpart,
- working meetings with the REPA staff in charge for biodiversity and nature protection,
- workshop on Nature 2000 Network. The topics discussed were: European solutions for the protection of biodiversity in the Member States, European objectives regarding the protection of biodiversity, Natura 2000 network in Romania.

At the workshop participated about 17 representatives from: REPA Galati, LEPAs in SE Region, NEG Tulcea, Aquatic and Fishery Research Institute and Museum of Natural Sciences in Galati.

Mr. Persiel was also involved in the Closure Conference of the project where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Biodiversity and Nature Protection.

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

Sub-component 3.6 Soil, Subsoil and Ecological Restoration

From 12th until 17th of July 2009 there was carried out the last mission on this sub-component with the participation of STE Mr. Martin Pohlmann. During the mission he worked together with REPA staff in charge with specific questions regarding Waste Management. He was also involved in the Closure Conference of the project where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Waste Management,

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 6** the mission report of the Expert and presentation.

Sub-component 3.7 Chemicals

The second mission within this sub-component was carried out from 21st until 26th of June 2009, with the participation of STEs Mrs. Barbara Friedel and Mr. Udo Rohweder. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- coordination meeting with RTA and RTA Counterpart,
- working meetings with the REPA staff in charge for Chemicals and
- workshop with the following topics: REACH regulation and GHS/CLP (Globally Harmonized Systems / Classification, Labeling and Packaging),

At the workshop there participated about 25 representatives from: REPA Galati, LEPAs in SE Region and economical operators in the field of chemicals.

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

Sub-component 3.9 Structural Instruments

The mission of STEs Jens Nowak, Wolfgang Pfeiffer and MB Expert Werner van Ham took place from 07th until 12th of June 2009. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- Consultation meetings with the different departments from IB SOP Environment
- Evaluation workshop with the representatives of IB SOP Environment
- Site visit at Final Beneficiary AQUASERV Tulcea.

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Also Mr. Pfeiffer made another mission during the reporting period because he was involved in the Closure Conference of the project where he made specific presentation related to the results achieved on Structural Instruments.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 8** 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 4.5 Recovery, procedures and training

The mission of STEs Mr. Peter Bothmann, Mr.Klaus Rehda, Mr. Ralf Menzel and Mrs. Evelyn Schaffranka took place from 14th until 18th of June 2009. During the mission there were carried out the following activities:

- coordination meeting with RTA, RTA Counterpart and other experts from this component,
- organization of National Conference on Industrial Waste Management,
- participation at the Conference where they provided specific presentations related to industrial waste management and specific landfills in Romania.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 9** the mission reports of the Expert, invitations, agenda, presentations and list of participants.

Activity 4.6 Support in planning procedures / industrial waste management at the regional level

Within this activity there was organized a National Conference on Industrial Waste Management with the participation of Ministry of Environment, NEPA, all REPAs and LEPAs in Romania. This meeting was held in Sinaia at the premises of Conference Room in Hotel Mara. The objective of the conference was to present the results obtained within the focal point activities such as the national guidelines on industrial waste management. The documents are still under approval at the Ministry of Environment, but the content of these documents was discussed and verbally approved by them during the National Workshop on Waste Management held in Bucharest on 5th of March 2009. So, during the conference the experts presented materials based on these documents, and not the actual guidelines and the participants asked a lot of questions and were carried out lively discussions on the topics approached.

The mission of STE Eckhard Fliege was carried out from 14th until 19th of June and he was involved in organizing and carrying out the National Conference.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 10** the mission report of the Expert, presentations, invitations, agenda and list of participants.

Activity 4.7 General Focal Point activities

The mission of STE Wolfgang Burger took place from 14th until 18th of June 2009. During the mission he was involved in organizing the National Conference where he made specific presentations related to the National Guidelines on Industrial Waste Management.

For more detailed information please find attached in **Annex 11** the mission report of the Expert and presentations.

Steering Committee

No Steering Committee Meeting was held during this reporting period.

Side-letters

In the reporting period were submitted 4 side-letters and one Addendum:

Side-letter no 13:

- **General remarks:** In order to finance additional project input for a mission of three MS STE in component 3, the per diem units in activity 3.2.2 have been increased by three, using funds listed in the "Project Savings" section of the budget. Additionally, the Expert Dr. Baumgarten, who is participating in the mission, is introduced to a new Activity (3.2.1.) within the Component 3. He has already been working in Activity (3.2.2) of the same Component.
- **Activity 3.2.1:** In order to allow for a more thorough assessment, Mr. Baumgarten will be introduced as an additional expert under the activity 3.2.1. Mr. Baumgarten has already been active in the Project under Activity 3.2.2 and will give input to both activities in the upcoming mission.
- **Activity 3.2.2:** In order to allow for one additional mission under the topic of Elaboration of a technical guideline, three additional per diem units will be budgeted for the participation of Mr. Baumgarten. Mr. Baumgarten is already a member of the team of STEs. The necessary funding of 666,00€ will be taken from project savings.

Side-letter no 14:

- **Activity 3.9.3:** Mr. Peter Bothman will unfortunately not be able to participate in the final Evaluation workshop under this activity. Mr. Jens Nowak and Mr. Wolfgang Pfeiffer, who have already been involved in the implementation of this sub-component, will overtake his position in this subcomponent.

Side-letter no 15:

- **Chapter 6:** The German Project Leader, Mr. Michael Bass, will participate in the final Wrap-Up Meeting on the 16th/17th of July 2009. For this meeting Mr. Bass

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will require 3 workdays, three per diems and one flight. The funding under chapter 6 will therefore be adjusted as follows: the number of workdays will be reduced by one to a total of 7; the number of per diems will be reduced to a total of 8; the flight costs will be increased by 700,00€. The necessary funding will be taken from savings under the same chapter. A total of 3091,05€ will be reallocated towards the savings line of the project.

- **Component 1, Activity 1.1:** The travel costs budgeted for the participation of the RTA in the joint kick-off meetings of the project will not be needed. The funding of 50,00€ is therefore reallocated towards the savings line of the budget.
- **Activity 1.2:** The MS Project Leader will participate in the final wrap-up meeting of all 2006 regional Twinning projects in Bucharest on the 23rd of July 2009. For this meeting one per diem can be saved and the travel costs budgeted can be changed from 'Transport in Romania' to International 'Return Plane Ticket'. The funding will be increased from 50,00€ to 1.350,00€ and will be taken from the savings under the same activity as well as the savings line of the project. The funding for the MS RTAs participation in workshops, seminars and meetings outside of Galati will have to be increased by 5 per diems, in order to allow for the RTA's participation in a national workshop on industrial waste management organized by the project. The same applies for the RTA Assistants who will require 2 additional per diems each. Additionally, the travel costs in Romania will have to be increased for the RTA by 400,00€. The necessary total funding of 3.526,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project.
- **Activity 1.4:** A total of 5 MS STEs will participate in the final wrap-up meeting of the project. They are Mr. Heinz-Werner Persiel, Mr. Bernd Heits, Mr. Paul Einwarg, Mrs. Gabriele Schramm and Mr. Wolfgang Müller. All STEs have played important roles in the implementation of the different components of the project and will give a short overview over the results achieved in the project. The funding under the wrap-up meeting is increased by 2 work days. The necessary funding of 1.250,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project.
- **Component 2, Activity 2.3:** The assessment and institutional development activities have been finalized. Under activity 2.3 not all work days and per diems budgeted were used. Likewise, the travel costs under this activity can be set to real costs. A total of 2 work days and 589,00€ from flight costs totaling at 1.361,00€ can thus be reallocated towards the savings line of the project. The budget lines for interpretation services during official meetings, seminars or workshops, for the translation of documents as well as for the production of training materials under Component 2 can also be set to real costs. Savings in a total of 344,00€ will be reallocated towards the savings line of the budget.
- **Component 3, General remarks:** All activities under Components 2 and 3 have either been finalized or are to be finalized with the upcoming missions. The remaining funding for local travel costs budgeted for each of the sub-

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components is therefore no longer needed. Thus, the funding for all local travel costs under Component 3 is reduced to real costs. Likewise the funding for the production of training materials can be reduced. All savings are reallocated towards the savings line of the project. In detail this involves:

Component/ Sub-Comp.	Savings in Local Travel Costs	Savings in Production costs
3.1	100,00€	250,00€
3.2	360,00€	-/-
3.3	100,00€	-/-
3.4	-/-	250,00€
3.5	-/-	250,00€
3.6	300,00€	250,00€
3.7	100,00€	450,00€
3.8	100,00€	-/-
Total	1.160,00€	1.250,00€

- **Activity 3.1.2:** The costs budgeted for international return plane tickets will be set to real costs. A total of 123,34€ will be reallocated towards the savings lone of the project.
- **Activity 3.2.1:** One additional per diem will be necessary under this activity. The necessary funding of 222,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project. The costs budgeted for international return plane tickets will be set to real costs. A total of 331,54€ will be reallocated towards the savings lone of the project.
- **Activity 3.2.2:** Mr. Richard Schlachta will be included as an additional expert under this activity. Mr. Schlachta is an experienced IPPC expert who has been previously involved in project. Mr. Schlachta will give additional training on the prepared technical guideline. He will not require a flight, thus the costs budgeted for international return plane tickets will be set to real costs. A total of 3.091,28€ will be reallocated towards the savings lone of the project.
- **Activity 3.2.3:** Mr. Richard Schlachta will be included as an additional expert under this activity. Mr. Schlachta is an experienced IPPC expert who has been previously involved in project. Mr. Schlachta will give additional recommendations on the prepared technical guideline. One additional per diem will be necessary under this activity. The necessary funding of 222,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project.

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- **Activity 3.5.1:** An additional training seminar is foreseen for the field of Biodiversity and Nature Protection. Mr. Persiel will implement the seminar in cooperation with Mandated Body Expert Ms. Keya Chudhury, both of whom have already participated in the activity as a short term experts. For the seminar, additional input in a total of 10 work days, 13 per diems and 1 flight will be allocated towards activity 3.5.1. The necessary funding in a total of 11.336,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project.
- **Activity 3.5.2:** The costs budgeted for international return plane tickets will be set to real costs. A total of 370,44€ will be reallocated towards the savings lone of the project.
- **Activity 3.6.2:** Mr. Martin Pohlmann will be included as additional expert under the training activities for soil / subsoil protection and ecological reconstruction. The expert will be available for additional discussions on dispersion modeling and ground level pollution concentration / exposure and its relation to soil pollution. For the participation of Mr. Pohlmann, one additional flight ticket will be budgeted. The necessary funding of 700,00€ will be taken from the savings line of the project.
- **Activity 3.7.1:** In order to finalize the training programme for the field of Chemicals Legislation, one more mission of a MS STE is foreseen. To provide the best possible input, the duration of the mission is prolonged by one workday to a full week of 5 days. The funding for this activity is therefore increased by 1 workday to a total of 5. The necessary funding of 625,00€ is taken from the savings line of the project. Mrs. Barbara Friedel and Mr. Udo Rohweder will implement the training programme under this component. Mrs. Barbara Friedel holds a PhD Degree in Chemistry and is an expert for Management Sxstems in the Chemical Industry. She is the head of the National Administration Department of the Federal State of Saxony-Anhalt and is responsible for the elaboration of supervision programmes and permitting procedures. Mr. Udo Rohweder also holds a PhD in Chemistry and is an expert at the Hamburg Institute for Hygiene and Environment. He is specialized in risk assessment and planning and implementation of programs to enforce EC-directives and international conventions (e.g. directives 67/548/EEC, 76/464/EEC, 91/414/EEC, 96/82/EC, 2000/60/EC, UNECE Water Convention, Agenda 21...).
- **Activity 3.7.2:** In order to provide the best possible input for the evaluation workshop and recommendations, the duration of the mission is prolonged by one workday to a full week of 5 days. The funding for this activity is therefore increased by 1 workday to a total of 5, as well as by 1 per diem to a total of 6. The necessary funding of 847,00€ is taken from the savings line of the project. The activity will be implemented by Mrs. Friedel and Mr. Rohweder. The translation costs under Sub-Copmponent 3.7 are reduced by 450,00€ in order to finance the additional input.

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- **Activity 3.9.3:** Mr. Werner Persiel, the key expert for biodiversity under this project, as well as Mr. Pfeiffer and Mr. Nowak who have participated in the training activities under sub-component 3.9.2 of the project will be included as additional experts under the final evaluation workshop. No budgetary changes result from this change in STEs.
- **Activity 4.4:** The costs budgeted for international return plane tickets will be set to real costs. A total of 1.568,45€ will be reallocated towards the savings line of the project.
- **Activity 4.5:** Five MS STEs will implement the training programme under this activity. They are Mr. Peter Bothmann (5 work days / 6 per diems/ 1 flight), Mr. Klaus Rehda (3/3/1), Mrs. Ellen Schaffranka (3/3/1) and Mr. Ralf Menzel (2/2/1) and Mr. Paul Einwarg (1/1/0). Mr. Bothmann, Mr. Rehda and Mrs. Schaffranka and Mr. Einwarg have previously participated in different activities of the project. Mr. Einwarg will not require flight costs under this activity. His flight costs are budgeted under the final wrap up meeting of the project, which will be held during the same week as the training. Mr. Ralf Menzel of the Federal Environment Agency will be introduced as an additional STE under this activity. Mr. Menzel is an Environmental Engineer and expert for waste management. Mr. Menzel will hold a presentation on the Internet Platform www.abfalltechniktransfer.de.
- **Activity 4.6:** Mr. Eckhard Fliege will implement a training programme under this activity. Mr. Fliege will require 5 work days, 5 per diems and 1 flight for the training and has previously participated in activities under the Twinning project.
- **Activity 4.7:** In the framework of the general focal point activities, Mr. Wolfgang Burger of the Regional Government (Regierungspräsidium) in Freiburg in the Federal State of Baden-Württemberg will participate as MS STE. Mr. Burger, an administrative expert specialized in construction engineering, is presently employed at the regional government as an advisor for landfill-techniques, biological waste fermentation and composting. Mr. Burger will participate in the national workshop on industrial waste management and will give several lectures on landfill techniques and management.

Side-letter no 16:

- **Activity 3.9.3:** Mr. Werner Van Ham, the mandated body expert under this activity, is unfortunately no longer able to participate in the project due to personal reasons. Mr. Werner Pfeiffer, who has already been introduced as STE under this activity, will replace Mr. Van Ham. The 3 work days, 4 per diems and 1 flight (in total 4.963,00€) budgeted for the participation of Mr. Van Ham will be reallocated to Mr. Pfeiffer. Due to the different fee rates, Mr. Pfeiffer will receive 5 work days, 5 per diems and one flight from the budgeted means (in total 4.935,00€). The remaining 28,00€ will be reallocated towards the savings line of

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the project. Thus, the reallocations detailed above will not result in any reallocations between activities or Budget sections.

Addendum no 1:

Due to internal decisions to change the position of the following persons in their respective institution, Special conditions, Annex I- Description of the Action and Annex 9: CVs of the project team and CVs of the beneficiary country component leaders of the initial Twinning Contract No. RO2006/IB/EN07, are modified:

- the current Romanian Project Leader Mrs. Carmen Elena SANDU by Mr. Constantin PETREA who has been appointed as a Coordinating Director of the Regional Environmental Protection Agency, Pitesti according to the Ministerial Order n° 800 of the 4th of June 2009,
- Special conditions, art 5 Contact Addresses, For the Final Recipient of the Action, Ms. Carmen Elena Sandu will be replaced with Mr. Constantin Petrea as BC Project Leader
- Annex I – Art 1.2 Beneficiary institutions and other parties involved: Ms. Carmen Elena Sandu will be replaced with Mr. Constantin Petrea as Coordinating Director of REPA Galati; Art. 6.1.2 Beneficiary country, BC Project Leader: Ms. Carmen Elena Sandu will be replaced with Mr. Constantin Petrea as BC Project Leader
- Annex IX – Curricula Vitae: The CV of Mrs. Carmen Elena Sandu will be replaced with the CV of Mr. Constantin Petrea.

These amendments have no budgetary impact.

The above mentioned persons will take over the responsibilities and the tasks of the persons initially designated in the initial contract RO2006/IB/EN/07 amended by the various side letters already approved.

2.4: TIMING AND DELAYS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Activity/Action Planned																	
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<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									X							X		
Activity 1.4																		X
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									X									
Activity 3.1.2															X			
Sub-component 3.2 Integrated Permitting Procedure																		
Activity 3.2.1					X			X	X							X		X
Activity 3.2.2					X								X			X		X
Activity 3.2.3																X		X
Sub-component 3.3 Waste management																		
Activity 3.3.1				X					X									
Activity 3.3.2														X				
Sub-component 3.4 Air Quality and Climate Change																		
Activity 3.4.1								X										
Activity 3.4.2													X					X
Sub-component 3.5 Biodiversity and Nature Protection																		
Activity 3.5.1						X												X
Activity 3.5.2														X				
Sub-component 3.6 Soil and Sub-soil and Ecological Reconstruction																		
Activity 3.6.1								X										
Activity 3.6.2											X		X					X
Activity 3.6.3																		
Sub-component 3.7 Chemicals legislation																		
Activity 3.7.1												X						X
Activity 3.7.2																		X
Sub-component 3.8 Horizontal Legislation																		
Activity 3.8.1			X								X							
Activity 3.8.2										X						X		

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Sub-component 3.9 Structural Instruments																		
Activity 3.9.1					X													
Activity 3.9.2					X			X		X			X				X	
Activity 3.9.3																	X	X

Project Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Component 4 Technically Focused Activities																		
Activity 4.1		X																
Activity 4.2			X		X													
Activity 4.3		X			X					X, X								
Activity 4.4										X		X		X, X				
Activity 4.5														X			X	X
Activity 4.6																	X	
Activity 4.7																	X	

2.5: ASSESSMENT

During the reporting period the Twinning Team made a further big step forward and could finish the rest of the different project activities and fulfill benchmarks satisfactory as following:

Different activities under Component 1:

- 1.3 Study visit No. 2 to Germany
- 1.4 Wrap-up meeting

Different daily activities under Component 3

- have been provided and implemented and finished already:
 - Sub-component 3.2: IPPC
 - Sub-component 3.4 Air Quality and Climate Change (finished)
 - Sub-component 3.5: Biodiversity and Nature Protection (finished)
 - Sub-component 3.6: Soil and Sub-soil Protection and Ecological Restoration (finished)
 - Sub-component 3.7: Chemicals
 - Sub-component 3.9: Structural Instruments
- The last missions under Component 3 (in the above mentioned activities) took place with focus on special questions and evaluation of the results achieved under the Twinning Project.
- Recommendations for future improvement of the knowledge and for training were given by the STEs inc. ideas for future bilateral cooperation between Romania and Germany in the field of Environmental protection.
- All STEs had a focus on the main points/problems regarding the improvements of the strategies in the different fields which will be published by the EC and has to be implemented in the national laws in the nearest future
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Focal point activities under Component 4 were finished

(Activity 4.5, 4.6 and 4.7) and the national workshop regarding the Focal Point took place.

Finishing this component successful there was organized a National Conference on Industrial Waste Management with the participation of Ministry of Environment, NEPA, all REPAs and LEPAs in Romania. This meeting was held in Sinaia at the premises of Conference Room in Hotel Mara.

The main objective of the conference was to present the results obtained within the focal point activities such as the national guidelines on industrial waste management.

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The documents were prepared and send to the Ministry of Environment to Bucharest in time, but the guidelines are still under approval at the Ministry of Environment. The content of these documents was discussed and verbally approved by them during the National Workshop on Waste Management held in Bucharest on 5th of March 2009.

During the conference the experts presented materials based on these documents, and not the actual guidelines.

Finally the participants asked a lot of questions based on their current work at the regional and local level and organized so a lively and interactive discussion on the topics approached. The participants asked for future support from German experts esp. regarding how to bring the prepared guidelines into practice.

In all the activities, which have to be undertaken during the reporting period (last in the project) the Twinning Team supported the Partners within the Regional and Local Environmental Protection Agencies in the South East Region to improve their Knowledge regarding the main responsibility for the implementation of the EU legislation in the environmental sector on the regional level.

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.

All different STEs missions as well as also these for the Wrap-up meeting were prepared very carefully from both sides, from the Romanian as well as from the German partners.

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

The **Intermediate Bodies** (IBs), which were set up as distinctive directorates at the level of each Development Region (NUTS II) of Romania have to fulfill their duties in a very close cooperation with the REPA and LEPA Teams. One of their duties is the support of the Beneficiaries regarding the implementation of projects which have to be implemented according to the procedures of the SOP Environment. German STEs trained the IB staff in their daily activities on a concrete project; like training on the job with the result of "Lessons learnt" for the upcoming projects.

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On 16th of July 2009 the Closure Conference of the project took place at the premises of the Hotel Vega Conference Room in Galati.

The main objective of this meeting - to present the results achieved during the common implementation of the project was fulfilled. After the welcoming speeches - made by Mr. Constantin Petrea, BC Project Leader, Mr. Michael Bass, MS Project Leader and Mrs. Adela Nica from the Ministry of Environment, Management Authority for SOP Environment - the introductory presentation was made by the RTA Mrs. Dorothea Frohn. She presented the general and mandatory objectives of the projects and part of the results achieved on institutional building and Focal Point activities. The other specific results on the daily activities were presented by the German Experts in close collaboration with the Romanian Counterparts for the different activities. Finally there was presented a full picture about the fruitful cooperation during the second Phase of the Twinning Project.

At the Conference participated about 45 representatives from: Ministry of Environment, NEPA, REPA Galati, the 6 LEPA's and NEG in South East Region, Local Authorities, IB SOP Environment and German experts.

3. EXPENDITURES

4. ANNEXES