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**RECP Stakeholders Group meeting on the
Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) activities
under the EU4Environment Action in Armenia**

AGENDA

28 June 2022

**Registration: 9:00 AMT
Start: 9:30 AMT
End: 13:00 AMT**

**Format: Face-to-face event
Venue: Ani Grand Hotel
65 Hanrapetutyán Street,
Yerevan 0010**

Language: Armenian (with simultaneous interpretation into English)

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Meeting objectives, expected outputs and outcomes

The aim of the RECP Stakeholders Group meeting is to present the current results of the Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) activities taking place under the EU-funded EU4Environment Action in Armenia, and to discuss their application in selected industries: food/agriculture (including fish farming), construction materials, and the production of chemicals (including plastic). On this occasion, the event aims to share the industries' experiences and discuss the recommendations on the possibility to further support RECP and Circular Economy promotion in Armenia among manufacturing enterprises, in their supply chains, and in other related businesses with support of the related stakeholder organizations-members of the RECP Stakeholders Group.

The meeting focuses on:

- promoting resource efficiency and cleaner production benefits in the Armenian society and business sector
- raising awareness about the “Circular Economy and New Growth Opportunities” Component of the “EU4Environment” Action in Armenia
- discussing the achievements and plans of implementing RECP activities in Armenia in 2017-2022 and beyond, and
- exploring new opportunities related to RECP as a stepping stone for introducing Circular Economy in Armenia

Participants

The meeting will gather around 20 participants-members of the RECP Stakeholders Group from the government, business sector, civil society, and other key institutional stakeholders. It will be attended by the Ministries of Environment and Economy (the national focal points of the Action), the EU Delegation in Armenia, the national and international partners of the EU4Environment Action, including UNIDO, and representatives of other profile organizations and programmes in the country. The participation is by invitation only.

Practical Information

The meeting will take place on 28 June 2022, at Ani Grand Hotel, located at 65 Hanrapetutyán Street, Yerevan 0010. Simultaneous interpretation in Armenian and English will be provided during the meeting.

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The National Implementing Partner of UNIDO – the Regional Environmental Center for Caucasus, Armenia Office.

Background

The activities related to RECP are part of the Results 2 Component on “Circular Economy and New Growth Opportunities” of the EU-funded EU4Environment Action. These activities aim to:

- ✓ Deliver RECP capacity building and demonstration programs to professionals and entrepreneurs, as well as technical assistance to industries in the adoption of RECP measures, promoting thus a transition to Circular Economy.
- ✓ Promote RECP implementation and scaling up among Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) by extending the national capacity through demonstration audits in selected manufacturing enterprises.
- ✓ Promote RECP and Circular Economy principles and practices based on best international and national experiences.

The Action seeks to improve knowledge, awareness and communication with beneficiaries, and will serve to transfer benefits of RECP through: 1) resource productivity and environmental performance of small and medium companies, 2) an improved quality of products and services, 3) creation of additional economic and environmental benefits, strengthened health and safety conditions for businesses.

About EU4Environment

The “European Union for Environment” (EU4Environment) aims to help the six partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine preserve their natural capital and increase people's environmental well-being, by supporting environment-related action, demonstrating and unlocking opportunities for greener growth, and setting mechanisms to better manage environmental risks and impacts.

The Action is funded by the European Union and implemented by five Partner organisations: OECD, UNECE, UNEP, UNIDO and the World Bank based on a budget of some EUR 20 million. The Action implementation period is 2019-2022.

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Moderator: Ms. Nune Harutyunyan, National Coordinator of the Resource Efficiency and Cleaner Production project of EU4Environment Action

<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
9:00 – 9:30	Registration and welcoming coffee	
9:30-10:00	Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ministry of Environment</i> • <i>Ministry of Economy</i> • <i>EU Delegation to Armenia</i> • <i>UNIDO</i> 	Ms. Gayane Gabrielyan, Deputy Minister of Environment (tbc) Ms. Ani Ispiryan Deputy Minister of Economy Mr. Andrea Baggioli Cooperation Officer EUD Armenia Ms. Tatiana Chernyavskaya EU4Environment Project Manager Ms. Anahit Simonyan, Country Representative in Armenia
10:00 - 10:15	Project's progress: an overview of the project activities	Ms. Nune Harutyunyan, EU4Environment RECP project national coordinator
10:15:10:30	New components under the program: Introducing the EU Single Market for Green Products (SMGP) in Armenia The role of RECP Clubs for scaling up RECP	Ms. Tatiana Chernyavskaya
10:30 – 10:40	Q&A session	All
10:40 – 11:10	EaP GREEN companies: monitoring and preliminary assessment results	Ms. Dshkhuhi Sahakyan and Mr. Tigran Sekoyan, EU4Environment Technical Experts
11:10 – 11:30	Q&A session	

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11:30 – 11:40	Coffee break	
11:40 – 12:00	RECP institutionalization and the way forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Outline of the current situation (2014-2022): the forthcoming “Business Card” Publication- RECP knowledge management and institutionalization support	Ms. Nune Harutyunyan
12:00 – 12:30	Discussion on recommendations and issues to further RECP introduction and institutionalization in Armenia	SG Members
12:30 – 13:00	Wrap-up, discussion, feedback from stakeholders and event closure	All

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