

# **Regional Capacity Building Workshop for Europe on NBSAPs and Mainstreaming of Biodiversity**

Country Presentation regarding NBSAP

**Montenegro**

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# Political aspect

- Independent country until 1918
- In the Kingdom of Yugoslavia until 1941
- In Socialist Federal Republic Yugoslavia until 1992
- In Federal Republic of Yugoslavia until 2003
- In State Union Serbia and Montenegro until June 2006
- Now, again independent country, **Contracting Party of the Convention on Biological Diversity since June 2006**



From previous NBSAP related activities

## (2004) SAP BIO Report

### Preliminary Biodiversity Strategy for Mediterranean component of the Biodiversity (MoE)

*Developed by MoE with UNEP – Barcelona Convention*

- 22 priority actions
- 5 national action plans

*Approach:*

Analyses of the situation → Priorities for actions → Investment Portfolio → Follow-up

*Important issues:*

- Protected areas – enlargement and efficient management
- F&F inventories – gaps in knowledge
- Integrate Biodiversity Conservation requirements into sector plans and strategies – land use / physical planning system and tourism – litoralization phenomena

# SAP BIO

## Follow-up

### Successes

#### *Protected Areas*

- New special reserve – Tivat Salina (salt work)
- Direct Management – Park in Tivat

#### *Biodiversity integrated into National Strategy for Sustainable Development (2007) and ICZM Strategy (2008):*

Achieve 10% of Protected Areas in the Coastal Zone

### Not achieved

- New financial resources / mechanisms for Biodiversity Conservation were not mobilized / developed
- Inventories not completed yet
- Action plans for species (*Posidonia oceanica*, Halophyte vegetation)

### Follow-up

- Climate Changes impacts on Biodiversity (SAP Bio update 2008)

On-going

# **(2008) Country Study**

## **Biological Diversity in Montenegro**

*Process started in second part of 2007*

### *Achievements*

- Steering Committee established - July 2007
- Pool of experts provided inputs – November 2007 – February 2008
- Filling in remaining gaps – March 2008
- Draft of the Country Study prepared – April 2008
- Improvement of the Country Study – ongoing

### *Important issues (CS):*

- Protected areas – enlargement and efficient management
- Pressures on Biological Resources
- Habitat fragmentation
- Complete remaining inventories
- Action Plans for species
- Integration of the Biodiversity conservation into sectors
- Biosafety issue
- CBD 2010 targets

## **BSAP related issues**

*EMERALD network (2007)*

*List of Protected species (Red List) updated (2006)*

*New Nature Protection Law (2008)*

*New Protected Areas*

Prokletije National Park

Tivat Salina (salt work special reserve)

New Protected Areas in Ulcinj

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*NSSD (2007) and NS ICZM (2008)*

*NCSA completed, Report adopted (2008)*



# Advantages and Disadvantages for the NBSAP Process

- ▶ *Advantages*
- ▶ Experience gained in Biodiversity Conservation
- ▶ Institutions responsible for NBSAP are in place but capacity building is required
- ▶ *Disadvantages*
- ▶ Sector Development with traditional mechanisms (physical planning, taxation etc)
- ▶ Large infrastructure is planned (hydroelectricity power plants, highways)
- ▶ Socio-economic circumstances – reason to deny biodiversity conservation / new protected areas / ...

## Next

### - Determine National Targets

#### *Approach*

Participatory Public Workshop(s) and Thematic meetings

*Apply CBD Framework for the 2010 Biodiversity Targets*

#### *Specific issues*

Protected Area enlargement (protect 10% of the national territory)

