

Major environment and climate policy developments in the ECRAN beneficiary countries

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Law on Environmental Protection

- Law No. 03/L-025 “*on Environmental Protection*” approved by the Assembly of Kosovo on 26.02.2009 and promulgated by the President Decree on 19.03.2009;
- AI No.17/2013 “*on the Cadastre of Environmental Pollution Discharge*”;
- AI No. 13/2011-MESP “*on organisational structure and responsibilities of KEPA*”, dated 09.09.2011



Law on EIA

- Law No. 03/L-214 “*on Environmental Impact Assessment*” approved by the AoK on 23.09.2010 and promulgated by the Presidential Decree No. DL-048-2010 of 14.10.2010. It replaced the Law No. 03/L-024 approved by the AoK on 26.02.2009;
- AI No. 07/11-MESP “*on licensing compilers of Environmental Impact Assessment*”, dated 13.07.2011;
- AI No. 09/11-MESP “*on information, public participation and interested parties in the environmental impact assessment procedures*”, dated 13.07.2011;
- AI No. 11/2011-MESP “*to determine the amount of the fee for services relating to the EIA*” dated 13.07.2011.



Law on SEA

Law No. 03/L-230 “*on Strategic Environmental Assessment*” approved by the AoK on 30.08.2010 and promulgated by the Presidential Decree on 18.10.2010. It replaced the Law No.03/L-015 approved by the AoK on 12.02.2009



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Law on IPPC

- The Law No. 03/L-043 “*on Integrated Prevention Pollution Control*” approved by AoK on 26.03.2009 and promulgated by the Presidential Decree No. DL-010-2009 of 23.04.2009.
- AI No. 08/2010-MESP “*on Licence Requirements for specific types of operations and plants*”
- AI No.01/2011-MESP “*on Procedures for the Development and Approval of Documents referring to the Best Available Techniques*”, dated 31.03.2011;
- AI No.03/2011-MESP “*on Form, Content and Filing Method of Application for an Integrated Permit*”, dated 31.03.2011



Law on Nature Protection

- Law No. 03/L-233 *“on Nature Protection”* approved by the AoK on 30.09.2010 and promulgated by the Presidential Decree No. DL-054-2010 of 18.10.2010. It replaced the Law No. 02/L-18 *“on Nature Conservation”* approved by AoK on 23.03.2005;
- Law No. 04/L-086 *“on National Park “Bjeshkët e Nemuna””* approved by Assembly, date 13.12.2012, and promulgated by Presidential Decree DL-60-2012 on 26.12.2012;
- Law No.04/L-087 *“on National Park “Sharri””* approved by Assembly, date 13.12.2012, and promulgated by Presidential Decree No.DL-59-2012 on 26.12.2012;
- AI No. 04/2006-MESP *“on the form and manner to manage a Central Register of Nature Protected Areas”* dated 05.10.2006;
- AI No. 01/07-MESP *“on the form and manner for the determination of Natural Protected Areas”* dated 25.01.2007;
- AI No. 11/07-MESP *“on the Management Plans of Nature Protected Areas”*, of 2.11.2007
- AI No. 08/2011-MESP *“for the collection of protected wild plants species with the purpose of processing and trading”* dated 13.07.2011;



- AI No. 12/2011 *“for the sort of natural habitat types, natural habitat map, threatened and rare natural habitat types as well as safeguard measures for conservation of natural habitat types”* dated 18.08.2011;
- AI No. 01/2012 *“for the keeping conditions, the manner of marking and evidencing of the protected animals in captivity”* dated 28.02.2012;
- AI No.07/2012 *“on content and manner of keeping nature protected values register”*, dated 18.06.2012;
- AI No.16/2012 *“on wildlife crossings”*, dated 01.08.2012;
- AI No.18/2012 *“for the proclamation of wild species protected and strictly protected”*, dated 01.08.2012;
- AI No.24/2012 *“on the content, form and manner of issuing of identification card and appearance of uniform for the supervisors and nature ranger”*, dated 05.12.2012;
- AI No.26/2012 *“on cross-border movement and trade in wild protected species”*, dated 10.12.2012;
- AI No. 18/2013 *“on proclamation of Ecological Network”*;
- AI No. 19/2013 *“on assessment of acceptability of plan, programme or intervention of ecological network”*;



Law on Water

- Law No. 04/L-147, *“on Water”* adopted by the AoK on 19.03.2013. Promulgated by Presidential Decree No.DL-011-2013, dated 05.04.2013 repealing the Law No. 2004/24 *“on Water”* approved by the AoK on 08.07.2004 and promulgated by the SRSG on 14.10.2004;
- AI No. 2/99 *“on Testing and Enforcing Minimum Standards of Drinking Water Quality”*;
- AI No. 24/05-MESP *“on the Content, Form, Conditions and Method of Issuing and Retaining the Water Permit”*, dated 11.10.2005;
- AI No. 06/2006-MESP *“on the Structure of Water Charges”*, dated 02.2006;
- AI No. 06/07-MESP *“on the Content of Water Infrastructure”*, dated 08.06.2007;
- AI No. 13/07-MESP *“on the Criteria’s for Defining the Water Protected Zones and their Protection Measures for Water Resources used for Drinking Water”*, dated 23.11.2007
- AI No. 08/26 *“on Limit Values of Effluents Discharged in Water Bodies and in Public Sewage Network”* approved by the Government of Kosovo (GoK) on 09.07.2008;
- AI No. 16/2012 *“on the quality of water intended for human consumption”*, dated 24.12.2012.
- AI No. 12/2013 *“Water Information System”*, dated 17.06.2013



Law on Waste Management and Disposal

- Law No. 02/L-30 “on Waste” approved by the AoK on 22.07.2005 and promulgated by SRGS on 05.05.2006 (UNMIK Regulation No 2006/31);
- Law No.04/L-060 “on Waste” approved by the AoK on 24.05.2012 and promulgated by the Decree of the President of Kosovo No.DL-027-2012, dated 08.06.2012. This new waste law repealed the Law No. 02/L-30 with exception of Annex 1 “Waste catalogue” (OJ nr 7, June 29, 2012);
- AI No. 03/07-MESP “on Waste Management of Expired Oils”, dated 20.01.2006;
- AI No. 04/07-MESP “on the Management of end of Life Vehicles and their Wastes”, dated 20.12.2006;
- AI No. 83/06 MESP “on Construction and Demolition Wastes”, dated 20.12 2006;
- AI No. 08/07-MESP “on the Competencies of the Waste Treatment Owner and Operator”, dated 26.07.2007;
- AI No. 09/07-MESP “on Package and Packaging Waste”, dated 26.07.2007;
- AI No. 10/07-MESP “on Management of Poly-Chloral Biphenyls and Three-Phenyls”, dated 26.07.2007;
- AI No. 10/07-MESP “on the Landfill Management”, dated 22.08.2007;
- AI No. 12/07-MESP “on Waste Management of Electric and Electronic Equipment”, dated 04.10.2007;
- AI No. 80/07-MESP “on Waste from Expanded Batteries and Accumulators”, dated 13.03.2007;



- AI No. 81/07-MESP *“on Waste Management of Expired Oils”*, dated 13.03.2007;
- AI No. 05/2008 *“on administration of medical waste”* ;
- AI No. 12/2008 *“for elimination of medicinal products waste”*;
- AI No. 01/2009 *“on conditions for selecting the location of the waste storage construction”*;
- AI No. 04/2009 *“for penalties with mandatory fines”*;
- AI No. 05/2009 *“on waste management from public areas”*;
- AI No. 07/2009 *“for management of waste containing asbestos”*;
- AI No. 09/2009 *“on waste management license”*;
- AI No. 01/2010 *“on management of biodegrading waste”*;
- AI No. 02/2011-MESP *“on waste management of fluorescent tubes containing mercury”*, dated 31.93.2011;
- AI No. 15/2012 MESP *“on waste landfills management”*, dated 12.12.2012;
- AI No. 19/2012 *“on management of dumped vehicles and their waste”* , dated 12.12.2012;
- AI No. 20/2012 *“for export, import and transit of waste”* dated 12.12.2012;
- AI No. 23/2012 *“for waste tires administration”* dated 12.12.2013.



Law on Air Protection

- Law No. 2010/03-L-160 *“on air protection from pollution”* approved by the AoK on 25.02.2010 and promulgated by the Presidential Decree No. DL-012-2010 of 12.03.2010.
- AI No. 2004/09 *“for cadastre of emissions of polluters on environment”*;
- AI No. /07-MESP *“on the rules and standards for air emissions from stationery sources of pollution”*,
- AI *“on air quality assessment”*;
- AI *“for the allowed norms of discharges in air by mobile sources”*;
- AI *“on limited values – norms of air quality”*;
- AI *“for substances that harm the ozone layer”*;
- AI *“on the control of volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions resulting from storage, loading or unloading and transport of petrol”*;



Other Laws related to Environment

- *Law on Hydro-meteorological Tasks No. 02 / I-79*
- *Law on Public Health No. 02/L-78*
- *Law on providers of waste, water, and sewage services No. 03/L-086*
- *Law on Irrigation of Agricultural Land No. 02/L-9*
- *Law on Local Self Governance No. 03/L-040*
- *Law on Spatial Planning No 04 - L – 174*
- *Law on Noise,*
- *Law No. 04/L-027, Law for protection against natural and other disasters.*



Strategic Documents

- *Kosovo Environmental Strategy and Action Plan*
- *Strategy and Action Plan for Biodiversity*
- *Strategy on Air Quality,*
- *Strategy and Action Plan on Waste,*
- *Mining Strategy of the Republic Of Kosovo,*
- *Energy Strategy,*
- *Water Strategy.*



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Climate Change

The Kosovo national strategic and legal frameworks are dealing with climate change issues. In particular, the Climate Change Frameworks Strategy of Kosovo has been adopted in 2014, with a main objective to achieve climate-resilient Kosovo, which is effectively mitigating the causes of climate change, and is effectively anticipating on, and responding to, the impacts of climate change, taking into account internationally endorsed principles for sustainable development. However, due to the fact that Kosovo is still not full member of the UN, the strategic framework has been developed based on the commitment to develop the capacity to fulfil its future obligations under the UNFCCC and as a member of EU. However, the Climate Change Framework Strategy of Kosovo does not provide detailed plan for approximation of EU Climate legislation.



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Climate Change –next steps

- Preparation of a detailed plan on development of Kosovo Climate Approximation Strategy
- Analysis of the national legal framework in climate sector vis-à-vis the requirements of the EU Climate legislation
- Review of the status of the approximation process through the analysis of national strategies/plans and policies, legislative institutional and organizational structure, and environmental and economic situation
- Definition of actions needed for the full legal transposition and practical implementation of the EU climate requirements, including relevant priorities and timeframe Assessment of financial implications (investment costs, operation and maintenance costs, administrative costs) of the implementation of those proposed actions



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Impact of ECRAN regional cooperation platform on planning the environment and climate approximation

Very useful in:

Drafting of legislation;

EIA/SEA procedures

Drafting of projects,

Establishing policies and strategic documents,

Drafting and inspection of environmental permits

Regional cooperation, etc.



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