

2nd working meeting on SEA for the General National Territorial Plan of Albania

Stakeholders' participation

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EU SEA Directive

- Environmental (and health) authorities
 - in screening
 - in scoping
 - on the draft plan/programme and the environmental report
- The public
 - on the draft plan/programme and the environmental report
- Transboundary consultations
 - on the draft plan/programme and the environmental report



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Practical aspects

- Consultations in SEA works differently from EIA (where 'NIMBY' aspect can be very strong)
 - Plans and programme (and related effects) may be too abstract
 - Often, general public is not interested in consultations, its better to focus on specific stakeholders' group
 - Usually, small and well targeted workshops are more efficient than large and formal public meeting



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Practical aspects

- It is important to present draft Plan and the SEA Report together
- Focusing on
 - Main impacts identified
 - Recommendations (alternatives, mitigation measures, monitoring)



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Generic agenda

- Introduction
 - Purpose of the meeting
 - Legal requirements
- Presentation of the Plan
 - Main elements and the most important projects
 - Way of implementation
- Presentation of SEA results



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Generic agenda

- Discussion (both on the Plan as well as on the SEA Report)
- Concluding session
 - Summary of main conclusions
 - Outline of next steps (including information how the comments will be addressed)



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EU SEA Directive

- Information about final decision has to be provided to the public, environmental (and health) authorities, other countries (if consulted):
 - Adopted plan/programme;
 - Statement summarising how environmental report and results of consultations have been taken into account, and reasons for choosing between alternatives;
 - Monitoring measures



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