

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

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Content

- Status of ratification the international agreements on the protection of ozone layer
- Competent authority with main duties
- Legal framework adopted for the implementation this international obligations

Status of ratification

- Bosnia and Herzegovina officially acceded to the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer on the basis of the international succession laws of the former common state, and was granted a full Party Status in these two international agreements as of September 1st 1992
- B&H has ratified amendments to the Montreal protocol: London, Copenhagen, Montreal (2003) and Beijing amendment (2011)

Competent authorities

The following institutions from the state and entities' levels are directly or indirectly involved in implementation of these international obligations:

- Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic relations (through the activities of the National Ozone Unit of B&H)
- Ministries for Environment from both entities – RS and FB&H
- Indirect Taxation Authority, by Customs Sector

Competent authorities

- MOFTER by activities NOU of B&H is in charge of coordinates the implementation of the provisions of the Vienna Convention and the MP, implements the state ODS developed and adopted phase-out programme, applies for projects to the Multilateral Fund, prepares annual reports to the Ozone Secretariat and MLF, issues licences, annual quotas and permits for ODS import

Competent authorities

- Ministries for environment –RS and FB&H are included in implementation of rulebooks on ODSs (which are adopted on the base of Laws on Air protection), participate by nominated members in the all activities of the Ozone Unit of B&H, issuing of preliminary approvals and opinions for issuance of licences, annual quotas and permits for ODS import
- Indirect Taxation Authority, by Customs Sector is responsible for control of ODS trade, prevent illegal trade and participation in developing annual reports for Ozone Secretariat and MLF

Other capacities

- Beside mentioned administrative structure in B&H was established two centers for training and education of refrigeration and air conditioning service technicians, Banja Luka Faculty of Mechanical engineering, University of Banja Luka and Sarajevo Mechanical engineering Faculty, University of Sarajevo
- 19 mobile centres for collecting and recycling ODS are established as result of NOPP project-recently finished activities, May 2014

Main programm implemented activities

Realised many activities in period from 2001 until now:

- Implemented Country programme which phased out CFC, trichloroethane, methyl bromide (transfer technology to non-ODS)
- Activities on phasing out of halons, established halon center
- HPMP phase out plan prepared, adopted, currently in implementation, HCFC quota system established for 2014

EXISTING LEGAL FRAMEWORK ON ODS IS ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE TO THE INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS

Current ODS legislation-State level

Decision on Council of Ministers of B&H on Conditions and Procedures for the implementation of Montreal Protocol and Phase-out of ODSs in B&H (Off.Gazette BiH No 36/07)-*currently in the revision process, quota system for HCFC, reporting obligations for HFC import*

In particular the decision determines:

- conditions for import and export of ODSs (licensing system, approval of import quotas for ODSs and issuance of import permits)
- conditions for import and export of products which contain or functionally use ODSs
- monitoring and control of import and export of ODSs and products containing or utilizing ODSs and reporting to the relevant domestic or international authorities

Current ODS legislation-at Entities level

- Regulation on Phase-out of Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (Off. Gazette F BiH) No. 39/05 and
- "Regulation on Phase-out of Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (Off. Gazette RS No. 94/05)

Adopted on the base of Laws on Air protection

Some provisions

Control and inspection of the equipment in the facilities that contain ODS and the work of the service, ODS collection from the existing refrigeration devices in the facility, disposal of the old or malfunctioning refrigeration devices to the disposal sites, formation of the Export/Import Registry and ODS distribution in BiH, obligations and reporting methods of the ODS importers, obligations and rights of the competent Entity Institutions/Ministries in the (primary) process of issuing licenses, annual quotas and ODS export/import permits system for BiH



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