

**Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E)
Actions by Republic of Moldova**

Country: Republic of Moldova, Ministry of Economy, Organization for the Development of the Sector of Small and Medium Enterprises (ODIMM)

Title:

Greening SMEs

Focus area 5: Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns related to SMEs

Description of the action: Develop/include greening the economy/SMEs principles into national strategies/policies/action plans; Increase awareness and build consensus around the importance and benefits of Greening SMEs;

Action's timeframe/milestones, as appropriate:

- Define and apply an action plan with activities addressing the Greening SMEs subject, as of the 8th priority of the National Development Strategy "Moldova 2020" in the period 2016 - 2018;
- Promote the inclusion of Greening SMEs' principles in the Regional Development Strategy 2016 – 2020, by the end of 2016;
- Increase awareness and build consensus on the importance of Greening the SMEs, build capacities and contribute to the sharing of information, through trainings/events, organization of the Corporate Social Responsibility contest and including the use of the Ministry of Economy's and ODIMM's web pages and social media, in between 2016 – 2018;

Type of action: legal/regulatory/policy; information/education-based/capacity building;

Economic sectors: Small and Medium Enterprises, Economy-wide

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: UNEP Green Economy Framework, EC EaP GREEN Project, Inter-ministerial WG on SD and GE (2015), OECD Greening SMEs, State budget/ programmes; OECD - Tools for Delivering Green Growth.

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: improved inter-ministerial collaboration and coordination for Greening SMEs Promotion; policy documents and action plans developed and the implementation starts; increased awareness and dialogue on Greening SMEs with stakeholders; a communication tool on Greening SMEs established, enhance the SMEs understanding/use of greening principles.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.

Implementation of Environmental Performance Review (EPR) Recommendations, as appropriate: EPR III (2014), Recommendation 1.4: The Government should promote sustainable development in all sectoral activities.

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: WG acting (number of meetings); Action plan on implementing Greening SMEs as of the Strategy "Moldova 2020" evolution monitored; information and articles on Greening SMEs elaborated and disseminated (number of articles and information published on Greening SMEs); trainings and events were Greening SMEs will be promoted (number of events and number of participants).

Partners: Ministry of Environment; Ministry of Regional Development and Construction; Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure, Ministry of Education, National Bureau of Statistics, Agency for Innovation and Technology Transfer; Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Agency for Energy Efficiency; Export and Investment Promotion Agency (MIEPO), PA EcoContact.

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