

# **ClimaEast**

Support to Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation in Russia and ENP East countries

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### 1) BACKGROUND INFORMATION (1)

The **overall objective** of Clima East is to support Partner Country governments so that they are better equipped for *greenhouse-gas emission reductions* and better prepared to *deal with climate change impacts* 

Countries covered: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine, Russian Federation\*







### 1) BACKGROUND INFORMATION (2)– ACTIVITY STRUCTURING - RESULT AREAS

- 1. Increased understanding of the EU climate and energy acquis and the 20/20/20 agenda
- 2. Responsible public institutions will competently address the Kyoto and post-Kyoto regime under the UNFCCC, and (for Annex I) be strengthened to comply with regulations
- 3. State-of-the-art national climate change mitigation and adaptation policies developed, fine-tuned and implemented
- 4. Increased capacity for climate change vulnerability and impact assessments and increased capacity for adaptation planning
- 5. National and/or regional Emissions Trading Schemes prepared and started
- Progress made in elaboration of low carbon development strategies (expected primarily in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Moldova)





# 1) BACKGROUND INFORMATION (3)– PROJECT STRUCTURE







**2) APPROACH (1)** 



- Practical outputs and observable benefits for the national partners and stakeholders
- 2. Added value from the regional scope of Clima East
- **3. Learning from** Partner Countries and the European Union, contributing to coordinated efforts to tackle climate change challenges, where possible
- **4. Evidence based policy making** key role for science both in mitigation and adaptation





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### 2) APPROACH (2)

### **Demand driven structure – built-in flexibility**

- Responsive to beneficiary countries' requirements
- Focus on gaps and additionality of activities, synergy with other donors
- Following the emerging needs from the international negotiations towards 2015 agreement (e.g. INDC support)
- Expert Facility (<u>http://www.climaeast.eu/expert-facility</u>)







### 2) APPROACH (3)

# National focus – seeking regional synergies and mutual benefits

- Pooling experience and sharing ideas and approaches
- Transfer of best practice from EU but also within region

#### Accessibility – both to documentation and to expertise

- Brussels base as bridge to EU expertise
- Website, visibility and events to maintain momentum
- Help desk





#### 3. Clima East Activity Matrix – 2014 Regional O Shared interest core (C)



### 4) Lessons learnt – challenges ahead



- Challenging dynamics of *policy environment* (e.g. 2015 Paris preparations) combined with *personnel* (GE,AR,UA,BE) and *structural* (UA) *changes*
- Lacking donor coordination by partner countries only partial success by replacing it with direct donor coordination
- Donor cooperation GIZ as outstanding example for INDC efforts in Southern Caucasus
- *Limited sectoral outreach* by project FPs (INDC process provides good ground for cross-sectoral cooperation)
- *Expert Facility* is vulnerable to FP (MoE) *monopolization*





### 5. Context





CDM Host Countries as of July 1, 2013 (UNEP Riso Centre, data from the CDM Pipeline)

**Existing Emission Trading Schemes** 

**Emission Trading Scheme in Progress** 

Countries with provincial-only Emission Trading Schemes

Linkages

Source: IETA / CEPS



### **Context: towards the 2015 Agreement**

A new international climate agreement applicable to all to keep global average temperature increase below 2°C







## 6) THE CONTEXT – MITIGATION &



#### **ADAPTATION**



Time





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Stabilization of atmospheric concentrations requires moving away from the baseline – regardless of the mitigation goal.



7 Working Group III contribution to the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON Climate change





### **Global climate action**

# **EU objective:** 80 to 95% reductions largely through domestic measures:

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#### **Developed Countries**:

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#### **Developing Countries**:

♦ -5% compared to 1990

International Programme Management



#### ho cheap offsets by 2050







## Cost-efficient EU pathway towards 2050

### 80% domestic GHG reduction in 2050 is feasible 80%

with currently available technologies,

 with behavioural change only induced through prices

 If all economic sectors contribute (energy: 85%)

### Efficient pathway:

-25% in 2020 -40% in 2030 -60% in 2040





by the European Union

### **Agreed headline targets by the European Council**

#### **2030 Climate and Energy Framework**



New governance system + indicators

HTSPF

International Programme Management



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#### **Elements that require international agreement**

#### (based on the ACT 2015 project )

| Structures to<br>increase<br>ambition and<br>accountability | <ul> <li>A decision to create a consistent schedule/rounds for future negotiation and will result in greater ambition</li> <li>Synchronized inputs on the science, status of country implementation, status of financial support, equity are provided before the round begins – every 5 years</li> <li>A long-term target more specific than 2 degrees C e.g. net zero by mid-century, climate neutral</li> <li>Development of an equity framework to inform 2020 cycle</li> </ul> |
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| Structures to<br>increase<br>transparency                   | <ul> <li>All countries have same end date and review date e.g. 2025</li> <li>Common metrics and domestic consultation process for<br/>mitigation</li> <li>Staggered ex-post assessment – major economies go first</li> <li>Develop a pathway for a convergence on MRV in future</li> <li>Agreement to converge LULUCF and REDD+ in near future</li> </ul>  |





#### **Elements that require international agreement**

#### (based on the ACT 2015 project )

| Structures to<br>manage the<br>risks and<br>impacts of<br>climate change | <ul> <li>Consistency in how climate is addressed across the UN regime</li> <li>Strong link between mitigation trajectories and adaptation requirements</li> <li>All countries embed climate adaptation plans and benchmark against a range of temperature scenarios</li> </ul>  |
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| Means to<br>implement<br>ambition  | <ul> <li>Quantifiable long-term target, as well as shorter more predictable finance, supported by indicative national pathways</li> <li>Public finance component for adaptation to deliver the politics of the agreement</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Replenishment process for GCF</li> <li>Contributors agree to align their MRV requirements from recipients<br/>and GCF facilitates alignment of MRV for finance</li> <li>Alignment of cross country flows, international, bilateral and<br/>national development banks against the long-term goal</li> <li>Establishment of a Capacity Building Facility</li> </ul> |



