UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

Project title and project number: Technical assistance and capacity-building for Georgia for implementation of the Law on Industrial Emissions and gender equality tools in air quality management (UNECE component (Output 2 and Output 3) of the project "Air Quality for Better Citizen's Health" (EU contribution agreement NDICI-GEO-NEAR/2023/449-977))

Expected timing/duration: 1 May 2024 to 31 December 2027

Objective and brief summary of the project:

The objective of this project is to provide technical assistance and capacity-building for Georgia for implementation of the Law on Industrial Emissions and gender equality tools in air quality management in accordance with the project description of the Contribution Agreement no. NDICI-GEO-NEAR/2023/449-977 between the European Union (EU) and UNDP concerning the implementation of the Action entitled "Air Quality for Better Citizen's Health".

The objective of the project will be achieved by implementing the following activities, which will support the implementation of the 2024–2025 workplan for the implementation of Air Convention (section IV, items 4.2.1-4.2.4 and section V item 5.2.4) and work programme of the Environment Division, including its mandate on mainstreaming a gender perspective in environmental activities:

- EA1: National framework and tools on gender equality in air quality management developed and capacities for their application built (work programme of the Environment Division, including its mandate on mainstreaming a gender perspective in environmental activities)
 - A.1.1 Development of gender equality framework and toolkit, including checklist in AQ management
 - A.1.2 Build capacities of relevant stakeholders in application of gender equality tools in AQ management

EA2: Enabling environment, knowledge and implementation capacities of decision-makers and industry representatives enhanced in regulation of industrial emissions (2024–2025 workplan for the implementation of Air convention (section IV, items 4.2.1-4.2.4 and section V item 5.2.4))

- A.2.1 Provide technical assistance to decision-makers and industry representatives in creating enabling policy and legal-regulatory basis, knowledge and implementation capacities for implementation of the Law on Industrial Emissions
 - A feasibility study to estimate the cost of implementing BATs for at least 1 existing plant, using the Emission Control Cost Estimation Tool (ERICCa Tool) and to elaborate recommendations for retrofitting/upgrading the selected installation/plant.
 - A study, including recommendations for the GoG on specific industries' incentives, based on best international practices
 - a study tour to an EU country for relevant decision-makers and industry representatives to learn about an EU country's
 experience on IPPC BAT and its practical operation compliant installations, results of BAT in one sector (e.g., energy
 or other appropriate sector)
 - Training sessions for industry representatives, regulators and law enforcement officers
 - Development/adaptation of training modules/manuals/guidebook(s), and an e-learning self-paced course in Georgian

Project activities are linked to the strategic priorities of the Convention outlined in its Long-term strategy.

The project will support target country in achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular SDG 3 (good health and well-being), SDG 11 (sustainable cities and communities) and SDG 12 (sustainable consumption and production).

Expected results of the project:

UNECE interventions are integrated under the project will contribute to the following Outputs of the description of actions/project "Air Quality for Better Citizen's Health":

Output 2. National frameworks and tools on gender equality and social inclusion in AQM developed and capacities for their application built

Output 3. Enabling environment, knowledge and implementation capacities of decision-makers and industry representatives enhanced in regulation of industrial emissions.

Target group and beneficiaries of the project:

Principal stakeholders and beneficiaries of the Action will be the Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture (MEPA) in Georgia and its relevant units engaged in AQ management (i.e. AQ monitoring and assessment, regulation of industrial emissions), other Ministries, local municipalities, environmental NGOs, industries and the general public as a recipient of improved AQ and AO health related information.

Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:

The activities on the implementation of the Law on Industrial Emissions are in line with and will support the implementation of the Air Convention's 2024-2025 work plan (ECE/EB.AIR/154.Add.1, forthcoming) (section IV, items 4.2.1-4.2.4 and section V item 5.2.4), approved by the Executive Body in December 2023, and the ensuing 2026-2027 work plan. The activities on gender will support the implementation of the work programme of the Environment Division, including its mandate on mainstreaming a gender perspective in environmental activities (cf. decisions taken at the 28th session of the Committee on Environmental Policy

(Geneva, 1-3 November 2024)).	
Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months	of RB staff/level of Staff):
3 months of P5/RB, 2 months P3/RB	
Estimated extra budgetary resources:	
Donors	Amount (EUR)
UNDP CO in Georgia	EUR 489,999
Project Manager:	Section/Division:
Borhabon Ketevan Kordzakhia, Environmental Affairs Officer 12/04/2024	Environment Division
Cleared by Programme Management Unit: Nicolas Dath-Baron, Chief, a.i., 12/04/2024	Not submitted to EXCOM ¹ , as part of the Air Convention's 2024-2025 work plan (ECE/EB.AIR/154.Add.1, forthcoming) (section IV, items 4.2.1-4.2.4 and section V item 5.2.4), as confirmed and welcomed by the EB Bureau (see EB Bureau report, 19 March 2024)

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex
Results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project

Expected accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (EUR)
EA1: National framework and tools on gender equality in air quality management developed and capacities for their application built	A.1.1 Development of gender equality framework and toolkit, including checklist in AQ management A.1.2 Build capacities of relevant stakeholders in application of gender equality tools in AQ management	70,093
	Human Resources: P3: 1.6 months x 14,500; G5: 0.9 months x 11,000. Travel of Staff: 1 staff x 1 mission x 1,600 Travel of consultants: 1 consultants x 1,500 Consultants, workshop facilitators: 3 consultants x 10,000 Operating and other direct costs: 3 activities x 1,305	33,100 1,600 1,500 30,000 3,893
EA2: Enabling environment, knowledge and implementation capacities of decision-makers and industry representatives enhanced in regulation of industrial emissions	 A.2.1 Provide technical assistance to decision-makers and industry representatives in creating enabling policy and legal-regulatory basis, knowledge and implementation capacities for implementation of the Law on Industrial Emissions: A feasibility study to estimate the cost of implementing BATs for at least 1 existing plant, using the Emission Control Cost Estimation Tool (ERICCa Tool) and to elaborate recommendations for retrofitting/upgrading the selected installation/plant. A study, including recommendations for the GoG on specific industries' incentives, based on best international practices a study tour to an EU country for relevant decision-makers and industry representatives to learn about an EU country's experience on IPPC BAT and its practical operation - compliant installations, results of BAT in one sector (e.g., energy or other appropriate sector) Training sessions for industry representatives, regulators and law enforcement officers Development/adaptation of training modules/manuals/guidebook(s), and an e-learning self-paced course in Georgian Human Resources: P3: 13 months x 14,500; G5: 2 months x 11,000 Travel of Staff: 1 staff x 3 mission x 1,600 Travel of participants: 12 participants x 1,500 Travel of participants: 12 participants x 1,500 Consultants, workshop facilitators: 3 consultants x 10,000 Contractual services: 4 procurements x 27,500 Operating and other direct costs: 10 activities x 1,305 Grants out to IPs: 1 grant with UNIRAT x 5,000 	387,850 210,500 4,800 1,500 18,000 30,000 105,000 13,050 5,000

Budget summary	457,943
7% UN Programme Support Cost	32,056
Total (rounded)	489,999