



Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

**Presentation of the 12-month assessment review report  
within the framework of the project  
“Assessment of environmental impacts of the war against Ukraine and options for  
remediation”**

**Bibliotheksaal, Hofburg  
30 June 2023, 09:30 – 12:30 CET**

The war against Ukraine has led to the **degradation of the environment** in many parts of the country, **exacerbating existing natural hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities**, and further exacerbating those associated with climate change in the country. The direct and indirect impacts of this war pose risks to the environment, human health, and security, not just in Ukraine but also in the neighbouring areas.

The aim of the OSCE project **“Assessment of environmental impacts of the war against Ukraine and options for remediation”** is to assess the environmental impacts of the war and contribute to the remediation of the damages to and the degradation of the environment in Ukraine, in order to address and reduce future safety and security risks.

The project results focus on:

- (i) Environmental impacts of the war against Ukraine are assessed and reviewed in coordination with national and local/municipal governments
- (ii) Government’s planning tools for emergency action on environmental issues are enhanced
- (iii) Capacity of professionals / front-line workers on the emergency actions plans increased.

Since November 2022, the OSCE has started implementation of the activity 1) the development of the assessment of the environmental impacts of the war. The initial stage involved the development of a **12-months assessment review report**, in coordination with the national authorities, as well as with relevant international stakeholders and partners.

The aim of the project briefing is to present to the donors and interested participating States the results of the 1-year assessment review report and share the plans for future activities and next steps.

#### **AGENDA**

**Moderator: Ambassador Igli Hasani, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities**

**09:30 - 10:00 Welcoming remarks:**

- **Ms. Helga Maria SCHMID**, OSCE Secretary General TBC
- **Mr. Yevhen Fedorenko**, Deputy Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Ukraine

**10:00 – 11:30 Presentation from the project team:**

- **CEOBS and Zoi Environment Network**: presentations of the main findings
- **Thematic experts presentations**

**11:30 – 12:30 Moderated discussion and Q&A**

**12:30 –12:45** Closing remarks for the open session: **Ambassador Yevhenii Tsymbalyuk**, OSCE Delegation of Ukraine

**12:45 – 14:00** Lunch

**EXPERT ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION (afternoon session)**  
**30 June 2023, 14:00 – 17:30 CET**

**14:00 – 14:30** Feedback from the Ukrainian National Authorities: Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, the State Environmental Inspectorate experts

**14:30 – 16:30** Moderated Interactive Dialogue between the project expert team, national and international experts (*moderated by Zoi and CEOBS--TBC*)  
*Based on the guided questions and preliminary feedback from the national authorities, discussion of the gaps, outstanding questions, possible next steps*

**16:30 – 17:00** Reflections from the members of the Inter-agency working group on environmental assessment: UNECE, UNEP, WB, OECD

**17:00 – 17:30** Summary: received feedback and the next steps

Moderator: Saule Ospanova, OCEEA