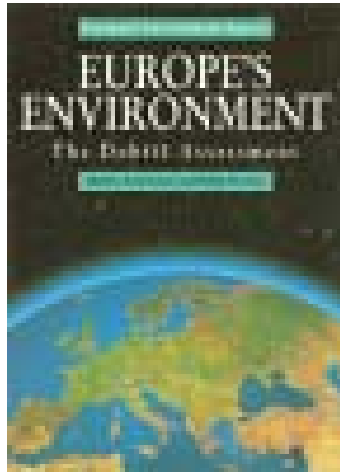
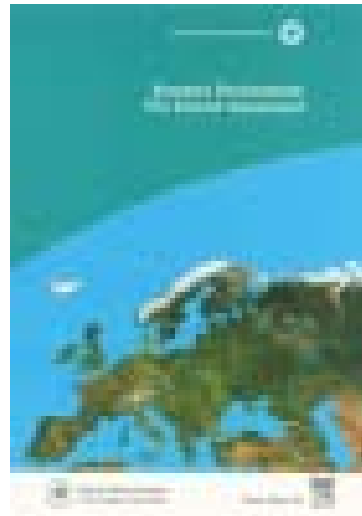


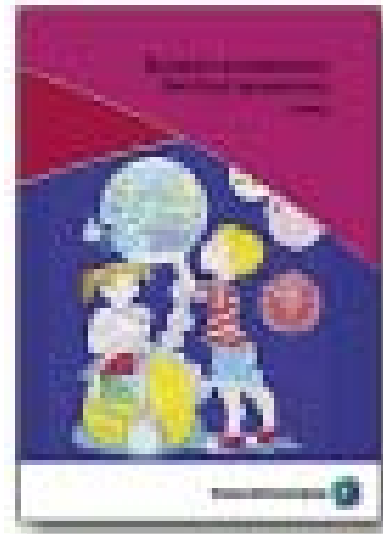
"EfE" Environment for Europe process - from Dobris to Belgrade



1991
Dobris



1993
Lucerne



2003
Kiev



2007
Belgrade

1995
Sofia →

1998
Aarhus →

→



Kiev Ministerial declaration (23 June 2003):

“30. We call on EEA to prepare the fourth assessment report for the next EfE ministerial conference building on new partnerships, especially with UNECE and UNEP.....”



The Belgrade report – RESPONSE TO POLICY DEMANDS

EECCA strategy (Kiev 2003)

- Pollution prevention (air, water, waste and chemicals)
- Natural resource manag.(biodiversity)
- Sectoral integration (energy, transport)
- Transboundary issues and conventions

Kiev Conference (June 2003)

- Short, policy oriented report
- Indicator based
- Responding to Belgrade agenda
- Support in assessing progress on EECCA strategy
- Based on recent information



Objectives of Belgrade report

- To answer to the ministers request in Kiev request to produce a short, policy oriented indicator based report responding to the Belgrade agenda to support assessing progress on EECCA strategy.... based on recent information.
- ✓ Progress and benchmarking
- ✓ Basis for action
- ✓ Awareness raising

Partnerships developed

- **UNECE** – EfE & Belgrade conference organisers, CEP, WGSO & Working Group of environmental Monitoring and Assessment
- **UNEP Europe & Grid offices** – links with GEO4 and other regional reports (egg. Carpathian)
- **OECD** – permanent dialogue and coordination for EECCA region assessment
- **UNSD**- advanced use of the 2006 global data collection process (water & waste)
- **JRC**- joint WP for 2006 (input to be provided: chemicals, flooding, health, GLC)
- **Eurostat** - full support in accessing the most recent data
- **WB** – access to databases and to draft products covering EECCA region
- **REC Central Asia** - provision of relevant experts from the EECCA region to be involved in preparation



Many reports are coming out in 2007

Main reports planned in-2007	Available (date)	Organisation
Assessment of EECCA strategy	Sept.2007	EAP Task Force /OECD
OECD Environmental Outlook	new 2007	OECD
Mid term evaluation of the implementation of strategy adopted in Budapest	2007	WHO
UNEP GEO4	Sept.2007	UNEP
IPCC report	2007	IPCC Secretariat
Assessment of the transboundary waters and international lakes	2007	UNECE Secretariat water convention

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Russian proposal (11.2005)

- Assessment progress and results follow-up Kiev
- Biodiversity protection
- Air pollution and climate change
- Water resource management (+transboundary)
- Energy resource management and efficiency

European EU & Commission views (2.2006)

- Evaluate progress since Kiev in the full geographical area of EfE process
- Cover all environmental media (water and sanitation, biodiversity and health)
- Cover imp. economic sectors (eg. energy, transport, forestry, fishery)
- Expand the data on material flows (in view of sustainable production & consumption)
- Synthesis report linking results of Belgrade report with other reports



The Belgrade report –RESPONSE TO POLICY DEMANDS

UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy & Working Group of Senior Officials requested us to include (Oct 2005):

- Water - quantity, waste, sanitation & flooding
- Sustainable production & consumption



The Belgrade report – timing and next steps

- Data gathering and indicator production: From Jan. 2006
- Writers meeting: 16 – 17 March
- Writing phase: April – August 2006
- Compilation first draft & translation Russian: September 2006
- Extensive review & consultations on drafts: Oct-Nov 2006
- Processing comments & final editing: Dec 06-Febr 07
- Report(s) to printer - Febr 2007
- Translation final report in Russian
- Belgrade Conference: October 2007

Preliminary timeline of activities

Line of work	Activity	Time (status May 06 ¹)
Concept development	expert meeting and WGEMA	May–Oct 2005
	develop list of contents	Nov 05-Feb 06
	development of guidelines	Jan – May 2006
Data collection	socio-economic indicators: update EEA data warehouse	Jan-May 2006
	EEA indicators: regular production with specific attention for Balkan and Switzerland	Feb- June 2006
	EECCA indicators: TACIS project	May- Sept 2006
Writing	compilation of EECCA indicator report (derived product)	June 06- March 2007
	writing Chapters/section (first draft including interlinkages)	May- Sept 2006
	first editing & translation into Russian of drafts	Sept 2006
Review and finalisation	consultation on the detailed outline & request for input (UNECE/WGEMA)	June 2006
	consultation on drafts in English & Russian with all relevant stakeholders (Eionet, UNECE countries, international organisations)	Oct-Dec 2006
	final revision and editing	Jan – Feb 07
Production	lay-out and printing, translation of summary	March-May 2007
Launch and dissemination	launch in the countries	June-August 2007
	discussion main findings and messages of the report in UNECE/WGEMA (including NGOs)	June 2007
	launch at the Belgrade conference	10-12 Oct 2007

The Belgrade report outline

Table of contents Belgrade

- 1. Setting the scene**
(Europe and the wider world, trade and environment, sustainable development, socio-economic parameters)
- 2. Environment and health and quality of life** (air, water, chemicals)
- 3. Climate change**
- 4. Nature and biodiversity (including forestry)**
- 5. Marine environment**
- 6. Natural resources and wastes**
(including sustainable production and consumption)
- 7. Sectoral integration**
(energy, transport, agriculture..)

Kiev table of contents

- 1. Prominent environmental problems**
Climate change
Air pollution
Chemicals
Waste
Water
Soil degradation
- 2. Cross-cutting impacts**
Biological diversity
Environment and human health
- 3. Developments in socio-economic sectors**
- 4. Policy management**



The Belgrade report – *towards an indicator based report*

- EEA Core set of indicators
- EECCA proposed core set
- Environment and health indicators (WHO)

Complemented by+++

- Assessments at the regional scale where information is limited or gaps are identified
- Case studies
- Outlooks & scenarios (where available)



The Belgrade report: Building and connecting

- Using the Kiev report as reference and starting point;
- Exploiting further the SOER2005 results and findings as input;
- Connecting with running global and regional activities and processes (GEO4, EECCA assessment report; Carpathian assessment report, Mid term evaluation report 6th EAP, IPCC, UNDP report on the Balkan region...)
- Streamlining and simplifying data collection by using UNSO global questionnaire.



The Belgrade report – a possible line of thinking/structure for the chapters

- Overall assessment of the env. situation for the whole Europe;
- Main findings and key messages for EU25+, Balkans and EECCA supported by selected indicators/country groupings;
- Case studies containing relevant env. issues or specific policy responses;
- Cross-cutting issues, scenarios or outlooks (if available);
- References

TACIS support project

- Start May 2006
- Covering all 12 EECCA countries
- Strong partnership with UNECE, UNEP and REC in the execution of the work;
- Dual role:
 - Capacity building (reporting, compliance)
 - EECCA visibility in the Belgrade report (air, water, SCP, indicators & case studies)

Tools and guidance

- Belgrade – interest group:
<http://ewindows.eu.org/belgrade07>
With link to CIRCA
- EEA data service
- Guidelines

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