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Invasive Species

Chronology of alien species invasion into the Black Sea

Main vectors of alien species introduction into the Black Sea

VIII EUROSAI WGEA Meeting, 5-7 October 2010, Texel, Netherlands
Basic scheme of superficial sea currents and main land-based sources and hot spots of marine pollution in the Black Sea region

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Oil Pollution in the Black Sea

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Convention on Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution

Objective: ...To substantiate the general obligation of the Contracting Parties to prevent, reduce and control the pollution in the Black Sea in order to protect and preserve the marine environment and to provide legal framework for co-operation and concerted actions to fulfill this obligation.

- Signed 1992
- Enforced 1994
- Contracting Parties: BG, GE, RO, RU, TR, UA
The Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution

- Established: 1995
- Consists: 6 officials
- Chaired: yearly rotation
- Current Presidency: Georgia

- Permanent Secretariat: established in 2000
- Advisory Groups: 7
- Activity Centers: 7
- National focal points: 42

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The Black Sea Basin in Ukraine

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Accounting Chamber has conducted **8 audits** related to the state of the Black Sea basin environment and effectiveness of using of the State Budget resources allocated for mentioned purposes since 2003.

*The received information is important for:*

- understanding the essence of the problems
- finding reasonable ways of their solving
- providing control under implementation of the state policy
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- It was in January 2009 when the Accounting Chamber presented for the first time this Coordinated Audit at INTOSAI WGEA Meeting in Qatar.
- At VII EUROSAIN WGEA Meeting, in October 2009, the SAI of Ukraine presented the Audit framework.
The Common Position on Cooperation for Coordinated Parallel Audit on Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution was developed and accepted in 2010.
Audit Scope:

- implementation of international agreements regulating pollution of the Black Sea marine environment, in particular, the Convention on the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution;
- organization efficiency of the national system for control, prevention and consequences elimination of marine environment pollution;
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**Audit Scope:**

- utilization efficiency of the public funds allocated to protection of the Black Sea basin waters against pollution;
- implementation of international collaborative projects on protection, monitoring and assessment of the waters quality in the Black Sea catchment area.
The Cooperation between the parties takes on the shape of coordinated parallel audits. Audit results will be presented in the Joint Audit Report.

The national audits are conducted in parallel by the cooperating parties and combine the tasks of performance, compliance and financial audit.
First Expert Team Meeting was held this June in Kyiv.

The Meeting was aimed at:

- discussing the national audits status, preliminary results and problem issues;
- approving a format and structure of a Joint Report for the Coordinated Parallel Audit;
- approving a list of comparative data to be provided by participating SAIs and their representation method.
Audit participating SAIs:
Georgia, Romania, the Russian Federation, Turkey, Ukraine

Audit Coordinator –
Accounting Chamber of Ukraine
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- **Phase 1.** Protection of the Black Sea marine environment against pollution from the land-based sources and development of a monitoring system for the Black Sea waters that is at implementation stage;
- **Phase 2.** Pollution of the Black Sea marine environment by oil and other hazardous substances in case of accidents and emergencies;
- **Phase 3.** Protection of biodiversity and landscape of the Black Sea.
Following the results of Phase 1 in the Coordinated Parallel Audit, a Joint Report will be compiled and cover two main areas:

- implementation of general provisions of the Convention in the countries of the region;
- carrying out national policies in the Black Sea countries within the framework of the Convention dealing with pollution from the land-based sources and development of a monitoring system for the Black Sea waters.
Second Expert Team Meeting is scheduled for October 20-21, 2010 in Istanbul, Turkey.

Meeting objective is to:

- elaborate common approaches towards making joint conclusions and recommendations,
- update the list of comparative data,
- approve the Joint Report structure and its addressees, as well as its time framework.
THANK YOU!