



**COURSE FOR SUSTAINABILITY**  
STRATEGIES, METHODOLOGIES, POLICIES AND ACTIONS

Module 4

**Sustainability in Practice**

September 6-13, 2008

Location: Venice International University, San Servolo Island, Italy



*Ministry for the  
Environment Land and Sea*



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## **Module four – Sustainability in Practice**

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### **Learning Objectives:**

By the end of the module participants will:

- Develop links between the lessons learned throughout the course and their real-life experiences;
- Possess strengthened individual skills and capacities;
- Be able to consider issues - and the tools that can be used to address them - from all perspectives, and in cooperation with other stakeholders from other ministries and sectors;
- Be prepared to provide case studies on individual or national experiences and problems faced;
- Be motivated to apply lessons learned in their own work, and able to act as leaders advocating more sustainable development;
- Be able to apply and communicate lessons learned and share good practices
- Be prepared to advocate for funding for initiatives from state budgets and external sources, and understand project logic; and
- Be able to prepare and evaluate policies, strategies and plans.

# Course Agenda

## **Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Participants arrive*

## **Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

### **Morning Theme: Budgeting and Financing for Sustainability**

9:30 - 10:30 *Lecture: Why and How to Use Concept of External Costs in Policy Decision-Making (M. Scasny)*

10:30 - 11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00 - 12:00 *Lecture: Market-Based Instruments and Environmental Tax Reform: From One-goal to Multi-goal Instrument (M. Scasny)*

12:00 - 12:30 *Discussion & Questions*

## **Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

### **Theme: Monitoring and Evaluation**

9:15 - 10:30 *Lecture: Introduction to Sustainability Indicators, Monitoring, and Assessment (A. Antypas, CEU)*

10:30 - 10:50 *Coffee Break*

10:50 - 12:00 *Lecture: Ecological Footprint and Ecological Stability (M. Tvrdon, REC)*

12:00 - 12:30 *Discussions & Questions*

12:30 - 13:00 *Workshop Part I: Indicators, Monitoring and Evaluation (A. Antypas, CEU)*

13:00 - 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00 - 16:00 *Workshop Part II: Indicators, Monitoring and Evaluation (A. Antypas, CEU)*

## **Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

### **Theme: Greening Government: Sustainability in Government Operations - Monitoring and Evaluation**

9:15 - 10:15 *Lecture: Green Procurement (F. Menjivar, United Nations Office at Vienna)*

10:15 - 10:45 *Discussion & Questions*

10:45 - 11:15 *Coffee Break*

11:15 - 12:15 *Lecture: Assessing Progress towards Sustainability: Case Studies (B. Bekniyaz, Ministry of Environmental Protection of Kazakhstan)*

12:15 - 12:45 *Discussion & Questions*

12:45 - 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00 - 16:00 *Workshop*: Measurement and Evaluation of the Concept of Transition of the Republic of Kazakhstan for Sustainable Development (Action Plan 2007-2009) (T. Shakirova, F. Iskhakova)

### **Wednesday, September 10th**

**Activity**: Good Governance Role Play (S. Stec, REC)

9:00 – 9:30 Introduction

9:30 – 10:30 Individual Strategy Development

10:30 – 15:30 Negotiating in small groups (lunch as desired)

15:30 – 16:00 Preparing presentations

16:00 – 17:30 Reporting: 10 minutes per group

### **Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Morning Theme**: Strategic Challenges for Government

9:15 – 10:15 *Lecture*: Planning of the energy saving and efficiency interventions and of the use of renewable energy resources for the municipal administration of Padua (F. Bicciano, Town Councillor for the Environment of the city of Padua)

10:15 – 10:45 *Discussion & Questions*

10:45 – 11:15 *Coffee Break*

11:15 – 12:15 *Lecture*: Subsidiarity in the planning sector to regional/local/municipal levels (S. Susic, REC)

12:15 – 12:45 *Discussion & Questions*

12:45 – 14:00 *Lunch*

**Afternoon Theme**: Kazakhstan's Sustainability in Practice

Individual poster presentations and individual commitments

### **Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Theme**: Closing Day

9:00 - 11:00 *Panel Discussion – Part I*: The Role of Government in Putting Sustainability into Practice (I. Pomázi, Hungarian Ministry of Environment and Water; B. Bekniyz, Ministry of Environmental Protection of Kazakhstan; T. Makeev and O. Szabó (REC))

11:00 - 11:20 *Coffee Break*

11:20 - 12:15 *Panel Discussion– Part II* : The Role of Government in Putting Sustainability into Practice

12:15 - 12:30 *Final remarks* (C. Bland)

12:30 - 13:00 *Graduation Ceremony* – Hosted by M. Szigeti Bonifert and T. Makeev

13:00 - 15:00 *Farewell Lunch*

15:00 – *Free time*

**Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Participants depart*