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We continue to update the Contaminated Sites Information System. Our project experts informed the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change about their analysis on the site remediation processes on 17 June 2022. According to this analysis, unlike the previous application, remediation process in the regulation will be integrated into the current system.

Pre-assessments are underway for the revision of Technical Guideline on Site Remediation and Monitoring, one of the annexes of the Soil Pollution Regulation. We are discussing to merge the Technical Guideline on Clean-Up/Remediation Technologies and the Technical Guideline on Contaminated Sites Monitoring. At the meeting on 3 June 2022, we discussed about the suggestions for revision with our contaminated sites expert and ministry staff.

To effectively achieve the goals and expectations of the project, we organized a technical meeting on 14-15-16 June 2022 within the framework of the "Regulation Control of Soil Pollution and Sites Contaminated by Point Sources". Before the fifth regulation workshop, we evaluated the decisions to be taken and changes to be made in the annexes of the regulation. Accordingly, we will focus on the current needs of the central and provincial directorates in updating the site assessment flow chart and risk assessment processes.

We evaluated the revisions in the Communiqué on Soil and Sampling, which will be updated within the scope of the same regulation, with our permanent organic pollutant expert and the ministry on 20-21 June 2022. We discussed the adequacy of items related to soil sampling, site sampling and site analysis plan.

Regulation Workshop



We have completed the workshops on "Regulation on Control of Soil Pollution and Sites Contaminated by Point Resources". We held the final workshop with the participation of the central and provincial directorates of the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change in Ankara on 28-29 June 2022. We defined the principles of soil protection, emergency response plan, remediation processes and preliminary measures to be taken after the decision of remediation during the workshop with participation of 15 people from the Water and Soil Management Department, Chemicals Management Department and provincial directorates.

Our soil pollution and persistent organic pollutant consultants nearly completed their work on updating the provisions of the regulation and applicability of its annexes. Following the final workshop, the draft regulation and its annexes will be presented to the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change.



Technical Site Visit

We held a technical site visit with the participation of our soil pollution consultant and ministry's staff between 30 June and 1 July 2022 in order to carry out a further analysis on our pilot site. We continue the remediation studies through collecting pollutant samples of from the site that we analysed.



Analysis of samples taken from the site will provide an important output to pilot remediation work.

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