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### **Technical Meetings**

We held a technical meeting at the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change's (MoEUCC) premises on 2 May with the participation of the Soil Pollution Consultant and the representatives from the Water and Soil Management Department to discuss the revisions on the "Regulation on



Control of Soil Pollution and Sites Contaminated by Point Sources" in more detail.

Furthermore, we presented the regulation updated based on the decisions made during the second technical meeting held on 23 May to the Ministry representatives and the Risk Assessment Consultant for their opinions. We aim for the results of this meeting to contribute to the finalization of the technical guidelines and annexes to the Regulation.

#### **Regulation Meeting**



On May 3-4, we organized the "Training for Companies Certified by the MoEUCC with Proficiency on Contaminated Site Remediation" in Ankara with a total of 55 participants (w: 29, m: 26), including MoEUCC central staff (19) and company representatives certified with proficiency on contaminated site remediation (36).

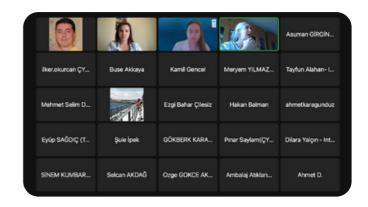
During the 2-day training, our Soil Pollution Consultant shared revision recommendations within the scope of the regulation and listened to the site experiences of accredited companies and evaluated solutions suggested during the discussion sessions.

Following the technical meetings conducted with the Ministry central staff and the discussions during the training, our Soil Pollution Consultant reviewed the regulation updates.

#### **Consultation Meeting**

We organized an online consultation meeting to share the anticipated revisions for the Generic Health Risk Assessment (GHRA) studies and exchange views with the practitioners of GHRA within the scope of the regulation on 10 May. A total of 33 participants from the MoEUCC central staff (7), companies certified by the MoEUCC with proficiency on contaminated site remediation (22) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Türkiye representatives (4) attended the meeting.

During the meeting, Risk Assessment Consultant delivered a presentation sharing the planned revisions related to the GHRA in the regulation. The experiences and recommendations of accredited firms will be taken into account within the scope of the GHRA revisions.



## 33rd Operation Coordination Unit (OCU) Meeting

We held the 33rd OCU meeting online on 25 May with the participation of representative from the EU Delegation to Türkiye, the MoEUCC central staff, and the UNDP Türkiye Country Office project team.

During the meeting, we reviewed the project activities completed since the last OCU meeting. We discussed the time planning of the activities for the following period such as international study visits, workshop and training.



#### **Progress of the Project Activities**

We continued to organize our weekly project meetings throughout May to discuss the progress of project activities with the technical departments of the Ministry.

We have shared the Turkish and English digital training certificates of the "Training on Risk Assessment and Alternative Remediation Technologies" and "Training for Companies Certified by the MoEUCC with Proficiency on Contaminated Site Remediation" with the participants.



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