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35th Operation Coordination Unit (OCU) Meeting



We held the 35th OCU meeting online on 31 July with the participation of representative from the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change (MoEUCC) central staff, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Türkiye Country Office project team. During the meeting we discussed the progress of the project, the planned activities and the preparation of the addendum for the project implementation. We shared our proposed dates for the trainings, meetings and study visits planned for the upcoming period and we are making the necessary preparations according to the comments.

Progress of the Project Activities

Throughout July, we continued to organize our weekly project meetings to discuss the progress of project activities with the technical departments of the MoEUCC. Based on these meetings, we continue to work on the activities planned for the coming period.

We are making technical and logistical arrangements with the contributions from our international consultant for the planned study visit to the Joint Research Center in ISPRA (Institute for Environment and Sustainability) in October.

In September, we will organize a 2-day Workshop on By-Law on POPs Legislation to be held in Ankara with the participation of 15 central staff from the MoEUCC, in particular from the Chemicals Management Unit. In this workshop, we will discuss the impact of the decisions taken and recommendations made within the framework of the Regulation on Control of Soil Pollution and Sites Contaminated by Point Sources. We will also assess the need to revise the regulation on new chemicals added to the Stockholm Convention.

Our communication expert prepared 7 videos highlighting the overall objective of the project, the expected results and key messages for the target audience. The videos cover topics such as remediation of POPs, laboratory analyses, collecting samples from suspicious sites, combating POPs, trainings and site visits carried out under the project. We incorporated all the opinions and suggestions from the relevant ministry departments and the UNDP Türkiye Country Office Communication Unit into the videos and finalized them.

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