

SOUTH EAST EUROPE Programme 2007-2013

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

Summarizing Statement according to Art. 9 SEA-Directive

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1 Summary of SEA-process

According to the SEA directive (2001/42/EC) a Strategic Environmental Assessment has been performed for the South East Europe Programme.

The main aim of the Strategic Environmental Assessment was to assess significant impacts on environmental issues. Additionally, it was an objective to integrate environmental considerations into the programming procedure at an early stage to ensure a high level of environmental protection and promote sustainable development.

The process enabled the environmental authorities of the participating states and the general public to express their opinion on the environmental impacts of programme implementation.

This section delivers an overview of the main stages of the SEA process, also in correspondence to the overall process and programming steps.

Figure 1: Procedural steps and timeline

PROGRAMMING PROCESS		2006 week	SEA PROCESS	
Sept 11.-12. 06	DT-Meeting Ljubljana	37	Diagnosis on environmental issues	
		39	Oct. 16. 06	Scoping Report
Oct. 12.-13. 06	TF-Meeting Bucharest, RO	41	Consultation with Environmental Authorities -> Comments on Scoping	
Nov. 03. 06	OP Draft 1-0	45	Nov. 10. 06	1st Draft (version 1-1) Environmental Report
Nov. 28. 06	OP Draft 1-1	48		
Dec. 06. / 07. 06	TF-Meeting Thessaloniki, GR	49		
Dec. 28. 06	OP Draft 2-0	52		
		2007		
		02	Jan. 31. 07	2nd Draft (version 2-1) Environmental Report
Feb. 06. / 07. 07	TF-Meeting Ljubljana, SLO	06		
Feb. 22. / 23. 07	Meeting with EC, TF-Meeting, Brussels	08		
March 19.07	OP Draft 2-2	10		
		12	March 21. 07	3rd Draft (version 2-2) Environmental Report