



**19th Meeting of the Expert Group
on techno-economic issues
under the Convention
on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution**
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**Potential for cooperation between EGTEI and the
EECCA Coordinating Group**

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Coordinating group: 1st session

- **1st Session – March 18th, 2011,
St.Petersburg, Russian Federation**
- **8 (of 12) countries** of EECCA represented;
- **40+ participants** including , national officials,
UNECE CLRTAP Secretariat, EGTEI co-chairs,
Swedish and regional experts
- **Comprehensive agenda** agreed, discussed
and concluded

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Major decisions of the session

1. EECCA countries plan to move forward under the LRTAP Convention within tentative timeframes:

- a) Belarus – POPs Protocol – 2012, Gothenburg Protocol – 2014-2015;
- b) Russia – Gothenburg Protocol – 2012-2013, POPs Protocol – 2013-2014;
- c) Kazakhstan – EMEP, POPs, HMs and Gothenburg Protocols – 2014;
- d) Moldova – Gothenburg Protocol ratification preparations are ongoing;
- e) Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan – middle- and long term timeframes

yet there are obstacles to overcome;

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Major decisions of the session

2. Agreed flexibility mechanisms for EECCA countries within HMs and Gothenburg Protocols

- a) **15 years** transition period for existing sources (BAT and ELV application)
- b) **Base year** – from 1985 to a year of entry into force for a Party
- c) **5 years** transition period for emissions reporting (large point sources as a priority)

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Major decisions of the session

3. **Appreciation of support provided by EGTIE and a need for further cooperation;**
4. Reviewed and supported project proposal aimed at promotion and application of the EMEP/EEA Air Pollutant Emission Inventory Guidebook – Russian edition – in the EECCA region

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Summary of outcomes

EECCA countries identify opportunities of participating in the LRTAP Convention processes with the following priorities:

- ✓ National pollutant and polluter emission inventories (registers);
- ✓ Air quality management cost assessment;
- ✓ Modelling of emissions distribution on national and transboundary scales;
- ✓ Abatement of mobile source generated emissions;
- ✓ Air pollution monitoring systems development;
- ✓ Benefits of work under the LRTAP Convention

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Advancing cooperation: potential...

- Work on comprehensive air pollution inventories should include abatement technology and related cost issues
- Cooperative steps are made by Russian Government and EGTEI – first consultation meeting – Feb 2011, Moscow;
 - **Power sector pilot project background information acquired and submitted to EGTEI;**
- Ongoing project activities by Belarus and Russia on implementation of GAINS,
 - ***incl. pollution abatement cost assessment based on EU adopted cost estimates;***
 - ***growing need of introducing EECCA-specific estimates identified***

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Advancing cooperation: proposed steps

- Series of technical seminars with mixed audience (technical experts + officials) in English and Russian;
- Further implementation of emission abatement cost assessment projects;
- Extending abatement techniques cost assessment with cost analysis of protocol implementation in EECCA;
- Cost assessment guidelines/handbook in Russian;
- Training seminars for regional experts in techno-economic issues

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Спасибо за внимание

Thank you for your attention!

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