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CHALLENGE

In 1992, countries joined an international treaty, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, to cooperatively consider what they could do to limit average global temperature increases and the resulting climate change, and to cope with whatever impacts were, by then, inevitable.

By 1995, countries realized that emission reductions provisions in the Convention were inadequate. They launched negotiations to strengthen the global response to climate change, and, two years later, adopted the Kyoto Protocol.

FYR Macedonia ratified the Convention in 1997 and the Kyoto Protocol in 2004. With the support of UNDP, the country has already submitted two national reports to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Due to the country's EU pre-accession status, it is expected that the EU will soon ask the country to fully comply with the emission reduction requirements and to participate in the EU Emission Trading Schemes.

Therefore more remains to be done to ensure that climate change issues are put higher on the Government's agenda and integrated into the country's development strategies

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The main objective of this project is to further strengthen the analytical capacities of key national institutions so that they are able to better integrate climate change priorities into the country's development strategies.

This will be achieved through provision of financial and technical support for the preparation of the Third National Communication to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Thanks to the development of various climate change modelling scenarios, priority actions will be identified for the most vulnerable areas in the country and policy recommendations will be designed to ensure that there is an overall clear picture on the expected climate change impacts, costs and benefits for the country.

EXPECTED RESULTS

Upon completion of the project, the national Greenhouse Gas emissions inventory will be updated.

The national capacities for modeling, analyzing and projecting future Greenhouse Gas emissions will be strengthened.

A set of policies and recommendations will be designed to support the integration of climate change issues into the country's development strategies and national programmes.

Through a series of workshops and roundtable discussions, the institutional capacities at national and municipal levels will be strengthened, to ensure that climatological data is integrated into sectoral programmes.

Thanks to climate change modelling scenarios, the most vulnerable sectors and areas in the country will be identified.

Several studies will be carried out to define priority actions- including technical, economic, environmental, social and financial analyses. The key findings and recommendations from these studies will help decision makers to strengthen the country's preparedness to respond to the climate change challenges.

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