Environmental Assessment Watch
Implementation of SEA and EIA: civil society monitoring

Objective:
The overall aim of the project is to promote the environmental governance reforms in the EaP countries as well as to strengthen the role of civil society in public monitoring and enforcement to implement environmental components of the Association Agreements, in particular EIA and SEA.

Team:
Our project team includes partner organisations from Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Belarus and expert support from the EU (Bulgaria). All partners actively contribute to the Aarhus Convention. They are also members of the EaP CSF Working Group 3.

The project team has analysed the progress in SEA and EIA implementation at national levels. Country reports form a solid base for the methodology on public monitoring of the implementation of the SEA and EIA procedures. Partner organisations develop and test the methodology throughout the whole duration of the project.

Outcome:
13 legal acts at national levels, which correspond to Association Agreements, Espoo Convention, SEA Protocol and Aarhus Convention were reviewed by partners

353 entries to EIA register have been checked alone in Ukraine

3 EaP country reports are completed, summarized and compared with the EU experience

Impact:
The project information was included into the agenda of the Aarhus Convention and statement was made during the 8th meeting of the Aarhus Convention Task Force on Public Participation in Decision-Making, in which three representatives from the project’s partner organisations took part.