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## Presentation of the SOFIA+3 Project

Organization "GROMADYANSKA INITSIATYVA" (OGI) International in cooperation with NGOs (listed below) from Ukraine, Belarus, Russia, Moldova, Tajikistan and Georgia initiated the Project **''Sofia+3: the NGO Evaluation of the National Environmental Action Plans in NIS Countries''**. The Project is supported by the Regional Environmental Centre (Budapest).

Within the framework of the Project the OGI International act as the leader and organizer of the NGO coalition, which consist of the following NGOs and NGO Councils:

- 1. "ECO-Accord" (Russia),
- 2. Foundation to Support Civil Initiatives in Tajikistan,
- 3. Natura (Moldova),
- 4. Ukrainian Environmental Union "Salvation from Chornobyls" (Ukraine),
- 5. EcoPravo-Kyiv (Ukraine),
- 6. Society for NGO development and support (Ukraine),
- 7. National Ecological Center (Ukraine),
- 8. New REC NGO Coordination Council of Ukraine,
- 9. NGO Council at the Ministry for Environmental Protection and Nuclear Safety of Ukraine,
- 10. Municipal Management Center (Ukraine),
- 11. Institute for Ecology (Ukraine),
- 12. Foundation "Unicorn",
- 13. Round Table of Belarusian Environmental NGOs,
- 14. International Habitat Center, Georgia

Coalition building will be continuing within all the project implementation process to establish, as a result, the actively working Environment for Europe NGO network.

## The project objectives:

- collecting and disseminating information related to the NEAPs and the 4th Ministerial Conference among NGOs;
- collecting NGO input and ideas on the 4th Ministerial Conference Environment for Europe.
- facilitating the NGO evaluation (independent analysis) of the National Environmental Action Plans (NEAP) elaboration process;
- facilitating the NGO evaluation of the NEAPs (if exist);
- defining the environmental topics most important to NIS NGO community related to NEAPs issues;
- formulating of the NIS NGO Common Agenda for the Future on monitoring the NEAPs implementation process;
- publication and presentation of the NIS NGO inputs and ideas to the NGO Special Session at the 4th Ministerial Conference Environment for Europe.

OGI International invites to cooperation all interested NGOs, which would like to make input to development/implementation of the National Environmental Action Plans in their nation-states and to the Conference as well.

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