



MINISTERO DELL'AMBIENTE
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MEDIUM TERM WORK PLAN

on

**COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CLIMATE CHANGE
VULNERABILITY, RISK ASSESSMENT, ADAPTATION AND
MITIGATION**

between

**THE MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, LAND AND SEA OF THE
ITALIAN REPUBLIC**

and

**THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND
AGRICULTURE OF GEORGIA**

Following the Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the Field of Climate Change Vulnerability, Risk Assessment, Adaptation and Mitigation (MoU) signed in Bonn, Germany on November 15th, 2017, between the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea of the Italian Republic (IMEELS) and the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia (MENRP), the Parties agree to implement the following medium term Work Plan (WP).

Objectives

The objectives of the present medium term WP are to identify and select activities and projects that correspond to the general objectives of the MoU that are:

- to strengthen and coordinate the efforts to combat global climate change and address its adverse effects;
- to support mechanisms for regional climate change vulnerability and risk assessment;
- to promote clean and efficient energy;
- to stimulate and disseminate the economic and technological transformation to low carbon emissions;
- to implement adaptation actions and enhance opportunities to protect the environment and natural resources in Georgia.

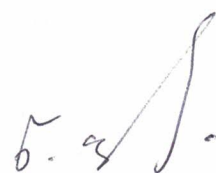
The intention is to make a substantial contribution to the implementation of both adaptation and mitigation actions, to properly address and manage the current and future impacts of climate change in Georgia.

Description of activities

In accordance with Article 5.2 of the aforementioned MoU, in the course of the implementation of the projects and activities, consideration will be given to the participation of the public, private and non-profit sectors and, where appropriate, universities, scientific and technical research bodies and non-governmental organizations, as well as institutions coming from Italy and Georgia.

Following Article 2 of the MoU, and taking into account the indications provided by the Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDC) submitted on September 2015 by MEPA, this WP aims to focus on the following areas of interest:

1. Forestry;
2. Water management;
3. Waste management;
4. Renewable Energy and Energy efficiency;
5. Agriculture;
6. Air Protection.



The Parties convene that the Medium-Term WP will focus on the following objectives:

1. MITIGATION MEASURES

- promotion of renewable energies
- energy efficiency improvement
- promotion of sustainable public transport
- improvement of urban waste management system

2. ADAPTATION MEASURES

- improvement of water management and treatment
- rehabilitation of degraded lands
- enhancement of adaptive capacity of tourism sector to the climate change
- improvement of early warning systems

In addition to the options listed above, independently of the activities to be implemented, the bilateral cooperation will include capacity building activities, with particular regard to:

- technical assistance aimed to enable the environment for private investments, including the introduction of appropriate measures within the policies and regulatory framework of the Parties;
- environmental education and training programme;
- technical assistance to strengthen access to funds from International Financial Institutions (IFIs).

Entry into force

This WP will come into force after signature by the Parties.

This WP is agreed and signed in Tbilisi, Georgia, on 10 January 2019.

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Land and Sea of the Italian Republic**

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