



Advocacy NGOs networks for sustainable use of energy and natural resources in the Western Balkans and Turkey
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Project objectives:

1. Increase capacity of NGOs in the Western Balkans and Turkey to influence EU environmental approximation process through public advocacy supported by citizens.
2. Increase capacities of NGOs in the Western Balkans and Turkey to influence policies related to energy, transport and natural resources through skills' training and regional networking in policy analysis and advocacy in cooperation with EU-wide networks and NGOs (FoE and HBS)

The action is relevant because it contributes to greater commitment and capacity of NGO networks that are working on energy, transport, natural resources and other environmental policies for citizens mobilisation in order to influence public sector reform within EU environmental approximation process through policy analysis, monitoring and public advocacy. The partnership will focus on the environmental sector, in particular energy, transport and natural resources.

Main activities

Policy analyses, position papers, thematic seminars and network meetings, regional conferences, regional trainings, Environmental Law and Public Advocacy Toolkit, educational seminars for young environmental leaders, National public advocacy campaigns, Participation of project partners from WB in FOEI and FOEE activities and visit to relevant EU institutions

Results expected

1. Strengthened regional policy networking of NGOs on energy, transport and natural resources;
2. Improved capacity of environmental NGOs in policy analysis, policy monitoring and public advocacy;
3. Increased legitimacy of NGOs on energy, transport and natural resources' policy and enhanced dialogue with national stakeholders (national governments, experts, business and media);
4. Improved networking among environmental NGOs from the WB and Turkey with EU-wide environmental networks and NGOs



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Zelena akcija/FoE Croatia is a leading non-governmental organization for environmental protection in Croatia. Its activist approach in solving environmental problems enables its staff and volunteers to effectively deal with challenging and often, serious issues. Zelena akcija/FoE Croatia was founded in 1990 and its headquarters are in Zagreb, Croatia. A small team of professionals supports the work of numerous volunteers and activists, who cover a wide range of topics in their work. Green Action is active on local, national and global levels and promotes the protection of nature and the environment, while advocating for sustainable development in Croatian and other communities. It also focuses on activities that foster public participation in decision-making processes with the aim of improving the quality of life in Croatia. Zelena akcija/FoE Croatia is well known for its attractive and imaginative public advocacy actions and campaigns.



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Green Home works on environmental protection and improvements that foster a sustainable future and lead to social and economic improvements in communities at national level. In order to do this, Green Home is committed to work with different range of stakeholders to foster partnerships and work together to provide sustainable future and have strong recognition worldwide as Ecological State of Montenegro.



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CEKOR is one of the most recognized environmental organizations in Serbia carrying work at the international, national, regional and local level. Areas of work include: promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency, sustainable urban transport, waste, environmental policy and monitoring of IFIs in Serbia. During 2007 and 2008 CEKOR was selected to participate and represent environmental NGOs in Serbia drafting National Strategy for Sustainable Development. In May 2010 and March 2011 it participated in the Environment Forum project of the European Commission, Directorate-General Environment. CEKOR is selected to partner with the Serbian government in developing a Programme of cooperation with CSOs in Serbia. It will also participate in programming and monitoring of IPA funds on environment & energy while developing a model for broader CSOs participation in IPA programming and monitoring. CEKOR has extensive knowledge on public participation and legal issues with a network of contacts and cooperation with environmental NGOs in South-Eastern Europe.



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Center for Environment is a nonprofit, non-governmental and non-partisan organization of professionals and activists dedicated to the protection and improvement of the environment, advocating principles of sustainable development and greater public participation in decision making about the environment.



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The Center for Ecology and Energy Tuzla is a Bosnian-Herzegovinian non-governmental organization that encourages sustainable development in the field of environmental protection, utilizing a combination of educational and practical work with cooperation at all levels of society and investment in the people's resources.



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„**The Heinrich Böll Foundation** is part of the Green political movement that has developed worldwide as a response to the traditional politics of socialism, liberalism, and conservatism. Our main tenets are ecology and

sustainability, democracy and human rights, self-determination and justice. We place particular emphasis on gender democracy, meaning social emancipation and equal rights for women and men. We are also committed to equal rights for cultural and ethnic minorities and to the societal and political participation of immigrants. Finally, we promote non-violence and proactive peace policies.“ Partners in the project, beside the Berlin's office, are HBS offices from Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina.



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