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ETS MRVA implementation in Serbia

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- EU candidate country since 2012
- Contracting party to the Energy Community Treaty since 2006
- The Stabilisation and Association Agreement entered into force September 2013
- Sofia Declaration on Green Agenda for Western Balkan signed in 2020
- Negotiating Cluster 1 - “Green agenda” and sustainable connectivity opened in 2021



Road to the MRVA Legal and Institutional Setup – History and Support

- Preparation was time consuming (started in 2013):
 - Two IPA projects “Establishment of an MRV system for EU ETS” (2013-2015) & “Establishment of the MMR in Serbia” (2015-2017)
 - Main outputs – draft of Law on Climate Change and by-laws, institutional set-up defined, start of capacity building
- Challenge to keep up with the evolution/revision of EU climate acquis
- Support needed and received for further revision of by-laws from multiple donors (AFD, WB, UNDP, PLAC), with outsourced expertise:
 - Team of international (EU) and national legal and technical experts outsourced
 - Support from UNDP/EUD project *EU4GreenAgenda in Serbia* for establishment of the IT system for issuing GHG permits; option chosen due to large number of operators



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MRVA Legal Setup

- Legal basis for MRVA
 - **Law on Climate Change** (OG RS 26/21) – transposes relevant aspects of ETSD
- Adopted by-laws (operationalization of LCC)
 - **Rulebook on Verification and Accreditation of Verifiers of Greenhouse Gas Emission Reports** (transposes AVR) – adopted first to support Accreditation Body in establishment of the accreditation scheme in Serbia
 - **Regulation on Types of Activities and Greenhouse Gases** (transposes Annex I of ETSD)
- To be adopted (full operationalization):
 - **Rulebook on Monitoring and Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions** (transposes MRR) - developed, passed the inter-ministerial consultation process; currently under legal-technical revision as a process ahead of adoption that is expected in forthcoming period)



MRVA Institutional Setup

- **Ministry of Environmental Protection**
 - Issuing GHG permits
- **Serbian Environmental Protection Agency**
 - Approval of Monitoring Plans for stationary installations
- **Accreditation Body of Serbia**
 - Accreditation of verifiers
- **Civil Aviation Directorate**
 - Approval of Monitoring Plans for aircraft operators (not operational on the national level)



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Activities related to MRV setup (1)

- Preliminary list of operators prepared (approx. 150)
- Translation and adaptation of EU Guidance/Templates – ongoing but very challenging as all the information are related to EU MS context; will be published together with MRR
- Accreditation Body of Serbia is developing scheme for accreditation of verifiers
- Capacity building/study tours for competent authorities, operators, ABS, verifiers etc. past and planned/ongoing – through the support of TRATOLOW/TAIEX, EU4GA
- Partnering with Serbian Chamber of Commerce on capacity building to ensure outreach

Activities related to MRV setup (2)

- IT tool for issuing GHG permit – eGHG – one-stop-shop communication platform between operators, CA/SEPA, verifiers
 - Developed and tested with CA and operators, some adjustments
 - Will be launched together with MRR

The image displays several screenshots of the eGHG portal interface. On the left, a green login screen titled 'Пријава' (Login) prompts users to log in with their credentials. The main part of the image shows the 'eID.gov.rs' portal for electronic identification, with a 'Пријава' (Login) section and a 'Корисничко' (User) profile area. A central screenshot shows the '2. Образац 8 - Захтев за издавање дозволе за емисију гасова стаклене башче' (Form 8 - Request for issuance of permit for greenhouse gas emissions). This form is divided into two main sections: 'I. Подаци о оператеру постројења' (Operator data) and 'II. Подаци о постројењу' (Facility data). The facility data section includes a table with columns for 'Podaci o operateru postrojenja' (checked), 'Plan monitoringa' (checked), and 'Podaci o aktivnostima postrojenja' (checked). A red error message 'Nisu unete aktivnosti u okviru postrojenja!' (Activities not entered within the facility!) is visible in the facility data section. On the right, a chat window shows messages from 'operator' and 'ghg_referent' regarding the permit application process.

Немате налог на eid.gov.rs? Региструјте се [овде](#).

Challenges and needs

- Strengthening of capacities – from installation level to national level
- Exchange of experience in implementing MRV – in defining procedures, formats, competences especially for matters not specifically defined by the acquis
- Identification of further needs and gaps – to be able to understand what needs to be done (applies especially for trading aspects of ETS) – DSIP for EU ETS currently under preparation
- Understanding implications of certain options on the economy and society as a whole before making decisions on any mechanisms (impact assessments)



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Thank you for your attention.