

Management Response: Implementation Plan for Evaluation Recommendations

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Implementation Plan

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1	The evaluation has found that many experts from the national environmental ministries in Project countries are strongly motivated to work with PRTRs and clearly see the benefits that the reporting systems bring. However, the frequent changes of ministers in the main Project countries have not strengthened national Project commitment. New	Use all bilateral and international meetings (such as the 10th SC COP in 2021) with 3348 Project countries to keep the issue of political decisions on the support of national PRTR implementation high on the national agenda of those countries, and make efforts to ensure that current and new ministers of environment are well informed about the value of	Opportunity for improvement	Project	Implementing Agency UNEP and executing agency UNITAR	10th SC COP in Geneva, 19 July to 30 July 2021 and other possible occasions.	Accepted		UNEP and UNITAR will jointly develop a plan to present the PRTR project (this one and the second one) to countries at COP10. However, the donor (GEF) will not finance a new phase so funding options need to be jointly identified

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	<p>ministers have different experiences and often different priorities. Such circumstances potentially can negatively affect the sustainability of the Project initiative. In turn, diplomatic advocacy initiatives from the side of UNEP and UNITAR could reenforce political decision making in support of PRTR implementation in main Project countries that have not yet taken the decision to implement the PRTRs designed within the framework of this Project. A separate issue is the unclear status of PRTR developments in Central America. It is suggested to use possible bilateral and international meetings to clarify what has been achieved in the Central American Project countries.</p>	<p>PRTRs in terms of e.g. data reliability, cost-effectiveness and OECD membership.</p>							