



CEE Regional Biosafety Clearing House

Establishing a BCH regional network in Central and Eastern Europe

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The philosophy

- **To help the Countries of the CEE region to implement the requirements of the Cartagena Protocol via:**
 - **Communication:**
 - **networking and exchange of information**
 - **Cooperation:**
 - **regional joint activities and capacity building**
 - **Support:**
 - **Technical and financial support**
 - **Leadership:**
 - **countries will provide leadership on rotation base**
 - **Contact persons - National BCH focal points**

BACKGROUND

- Start at the CEE Regional Training Workshop for BCH National Focal Points
21-24 November 2017, Belgrade, Serbia

Participants:

- Galina Mozgova, Belarus
- Angela Lozan, Moldova
- Fatma Gl Maras Vanlioglu, Turkey
- Arzu Samadova, Azerbaijan
- Inese Aleksejeva, Latvia
- Sergiy Gubar, Ukraine
- Nona Khelaia, Georgia
- Birgul Guner, Turkey
- Vojislav Trkulja, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Vanja Kojic, Serbia
- Marija Dirlevska-Chaloska, Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of



- <http://vle.bch3-un.org/course/view.php?id=12>

CEE BCH Network STRUCTURE

The CEE BCH NETWORK is composed by present of **10 countries (of 23 + Turkey):**
Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Latvia, Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine



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One for Biosafety!

This portal is developed to create a network for Asia BCH Family countries to enhance the utilization of BCH, to improve the CPB implementation level, and to implement the roadmap.



QUICK MENU

-  Counseling contact
-  Online Counseling Board

ABF regional portal

The image displays three screenshots of the ABF regional portal website. The top-left screenshot shows the 'Asia BCH Family introduction' page with a banner for 'One for Biosafety!' and a globe. The top-right screenshot shows the 'CPB Implementation Level Improvement' page with a navigation menu and a list of submissions. The bottom-left screenshot shows the 'FOCAL AREA 1' compliance page with a table of data for 2016-2020.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1. At least 90% of Asian countries fulfilling their obligations under the Protocol to make mandatory information available to the BCH	19%	4%	0%	0%	0%
1-1. Existing national laws					
1-2. Bilateral, multilateral agreements	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%
1-3. Risk assessments					

The ABF's very own regional BCH was also launched this 2016, during the COP-MOP 8 Side Event. The ABF Regional Portal is the first of its kind in the history of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety which allows exclusive regional collaboration among Parties. The website will serve as a common hub for the ABF countries to facilitate information exchange and provide assistance in implementation of their respective National Biosafety Frameworks.

You can access the website at <http://asiabchfamily.org>

CEE BCH ROADMAP

Central and Eastern Europe Biosafety ROADMAP

(2018-2020). Strategic Objective:

To promote and facilitate compliance with the requirements under Article 20 of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

It has the following 5 components:

1. Improving Country Compliance to CPB through BCH
2. Capacity Building
3. National Networking
4. Regional Networking
5. Resource Mobilization

Component 1.

Improving Country Compliance to CPB through BCH

- Registering National and Reference Records in the BCH
- KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:
 - increase in National and Reference Records
 - For 2018:
 - 3 National Records per country (National wksp)
 - 1 National report

Component 2. Capacity Building

- Establish Training Systems for CPB and BCH Capacity Building
- Use of E-learning platforms to build capacity in biosafety
- Establishment of On-line Forum for CPB and BCH-related topics
- Participation in On-line Forum for CPB and BCH-related topics
- Public Awareness, Education, and Participation (PAEP) Program

Key Performance indicators

10 % increase in number of national records
10% increase in number of reference records
13 countries with increased number of records

15 of NFPs trained
45 No of NAUs trained
45 No. of NGO representatives trained
30 No. of Media Representative trained
45 No. of Academia/ Scientific Institution Representative trained

2 e-learning courses facilitated at the sub-regional/regional level
2 of online forum hosted at the sub-regional/ regional level

Component 3 National Networking

Establish

Administrative Procedure to facilitate BCH flow of information

- 39 national training workshops conducted
- 15 of countries with operational BCH-FP-CNAs-NAUs Coordination Mechanism

Component 4 Regional Networking

Establish Regional Network of Cooperation

- 2 regional/ sub-regional workshops conducted
- 15 countries involved in the regional network
- . Regional Web Site Established

Component 5 Resource Mobilization

Strengthen partnership with institutions for generation of resources to support biosafety related programs/projects/ activities and the country and regional/sub-regional levels

- 6 of resource generation/ mobilization projects/activities

Examples of National BCH websites

CEE BCH Network website

BENEFITS

- Help to strengthen implementation of the CPB
- Get lot of information about Biosafety and CPB
- Sharing of Experiences to Build National Capacities
- Get information on Technical and Financial Resources mobilization
- Sub-regional and Regional Cooperation
- Harmonization of Biosafety regulations and rules
- Capacity building and trainings
- Training Materials shared,
- Global/Regional public awareness through the portal
- Sharing new information on Biosafety from region
- Portal has online forum to share information and experiences. Also more comfortable to talk as a region.
- Helps ensure and enhance national implementation of CPB

Welcome to the CEE BCH Network !

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