

# **OSCE environmental activities in Central Asia**

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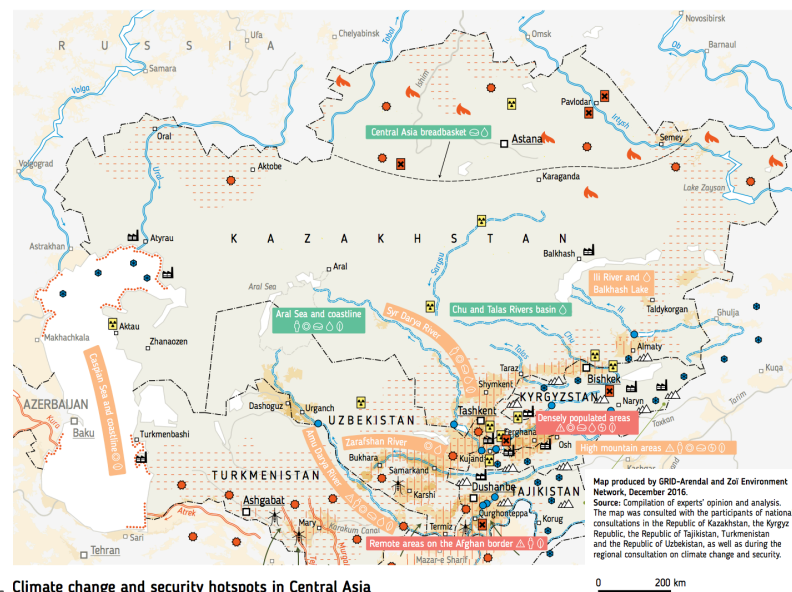
# Climate change and security in Central Asia

## Project “Strengthening Responses to Security Risks from Climate Change in the South Eastern Europe, Eastern Europe, the South Caucasus and Central Asia “

### Actions

- ❑ Develop adaptation strategies, and implementation plans for **selected transboundary hotspots** in Central Asia
- ❑ Facilitate **exchanges and networking** at regional and cross- regional levels
- ❑ Conduct **awareness-raising** activities targeting decision-makers, parliamentarians, media and civil society

### Climate security hotspots in Central Asia



Climate change and security hotspots in Central Asia

# Promoting Green Ports and Connectivity in the Caspian Sea Region



## Focus

### Green Ports

Ecological Integrity



Energy Efficiency      Resource Usage

Strengthening Green Ports and Connectivity in and among the ports of Baku (Azerbaijan), Aktau/Kuryk (Kazakhstan) and Turkmenbashi (Turkmenistan)

### Connectivity

Infrastructure



Standards      Collaboration

## Project

Green Ports	Connectivity	
Energy	Digitization	Trade & Transport
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Renewable energy power supply (wind, solar, geothermal)</li> <li>✓ Energy efficient public lighting</li> <li>✓ Electrification of diesel powered equipment</li> <li>✓ Energy efficiency in buildings and port operations</li> <li>✓ Emissions reductions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Work processes within ports / smart contracts / Blockchain, incl. CIP / cyber</li> <li>✓ integrated e-services in trade, transport and logistics services</li> <li>✓ Common Web Platform to connect ports across the Caspian to exchange data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Electronic single window system</li> <li>✓ Harmonization of customs procedures</li> <li>✓ Track and trace</li> <li>✓ Efficiency of clearing process and regulatory framework</li> <li>✓ Scheduled point to service structure</li> </ul>

## Objectives



Establish green transport



Increase transparency



Improve shipping time



Reduce transport costs

**Increase attractiveness as transport corridor between Europe and China**

# Stakeholder Engagement for Uranium Legacy Remediation in Central Asia - Phase II

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- Jointly implemented by UNDP and OSCE with funding from EU (Instrument for Nuclear Safety)
- Addresses legacy sites in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan
- Implementation 2019 – 2022
- OSCE field missions, Aarhus Centres and Public Environmental Information Centers are key partners for implementation

## Environmental cooperation initiatives

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- ❑ “Strengthening national and regional capacities and co-operation on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) in Central Asia, including as a response to climate change”
- ❑ “Promoting the engagement of Aarhus Centres in green economy and resource efficiency
- ❑ Annual Aarhus Centres meeting to be held in Dushanbe (Tajikistan), tentatively in September 2020

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**Thank you for your attention!**