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***Advocating for and Enabling Impactful
Delivery***

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PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION 

Largest SCP programme supported by EU.

Nearly 300 M in funding since 2007.

Total 24 countries in Southeast Asia, South Asia and Central Asia.

Supported about 130 Grants Projects.

Benefiting up to about 80,000 MSMEs



Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) aims at improving the overall environmental performance of products throughout their life cycle, stimulates demand for better products and production technologies and helps consumers make informed choices. The European Union is committed to tackle these global challenges together with its partners in Asia and Central Asia. Launched in 2007, its SWITCH-Asia programme has achieved more than a decade of progress on SCP in 24 countries in the region.

MAIN OBJECTIVES



Promote sustainable development.



Contribute to economic prosperity and poverty reduction in Asia and Central Asia.



Contribute to a transition towards a low-carbon, resource-efficient and circular economy.



Our Mission

Support the transition of the region to a **low-carbon, resource efficient and circular economy** and promote more **sustainable supply chains and products** between Asia, Central Asia and Europe.



How We Work



SUPPORTING GAME CHANGERS / STAKEHOLDERS THROUGH PROJECTS

Testing and adopting greener and more sustainable **industrial processing in MSMEs**, promoting greener products and more **sustainable consumption patterns** and behaviours in Asia.



POLICY DEVELOPMENT & DIALOGUE

The **results of projects will feed into policy dialogue and policy development with Asian governments** for the elaboration and implementation of national policies, regulatory frameworks and policy instruments related to SCP/ Green Economy.

In collaboration with the EU Delegations and Focal Points of Ministries in partner countries.

Thematic Areas



Green Buildings & Construction
Kyrgyzstan



Textiles and Garments
Uzbekistan



Agri-food
Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan



NAP SCP
Central Asia



Waste/plastics management Kazakhstan



Sustainable Public Procurement
Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan



Tourism
Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan,
Tajikistan, Uzbekistan



GREEN TOUR
Replicating Tourism Industry Sustainability Best Practices into the Kyrgyzstan and Wider Central Asian Tourism Supply Chain through an Integrated Business Led Approach
Kyrgyzstan

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MOST
Building Capacities, Creating Awareness, Introducing Technology
Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

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RUTSIS
Reviving Uzbekistan's and Tajikistan's Sustainable Ikat and Silk Production
Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

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REAP
Resource Efficiency in Agri-food Production and Processing
Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

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SET
Promoting Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Production in the Community-based Tourism Sector in Central Asia (SET)
Reducing carbon footprint
Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

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PERETO
Promotion of Energy Security and Sustainable Growth through Increased Energy and Resource Efficiency in Tourism SMEs
Kyrgyzstan

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SUSTOUKA
Implementation of SCP practices and sustainability schemes in the MSMEs of the Tourism Sector
Kazakhstan

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Technical Assistance

COUNTRY	FOCUS	STATUS
KAZAKHSTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SCP Action Plan;• SCP tools and Circular Economy approach in the food/biodegradable waste management sector	<p>Draft NAP on SCP; preparation of technical meeting</p> <p>Draft report; technical meeting is held</p>
KYRGYZSTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enhancing SCP tools and Circular Economy approach in the buildings and agri-food sectors;	<p>Report on energy efficiency in buildings; Agri-food report is under preparation</p>
UZBEKISTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SCP Action Plan• SCP tools and the Circular Economy approach in the textile and garment sector	<p>Draft NAP on SCP; working with MEPR on kick-off event</p> <p>Data collection and consultations on the Best Available Techniques (BAT)</p>
TADJIKISTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action Plan on responsible consumption and sustainable lifestyle with focus in the agri-food sector	<p>Policy report</p> <p>Consultations with consumers/retailers/suppliers</p>

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