

# Workshop "Environmental standards for climate change policy and ESG"

8-9 December 2022

#### **Background**

Environmental protection is a global concern – and the challenge is becoming more urgent every day. Standards can be an effective tool to reduce environmental impact and in that way support the implementation of environmental policies at different levels – international, national, local and enterprise. For example, the European Green Deal pledges to make consistent use of standardization in order to facilitate societal, environmental and economic transformation and innovation. This concerns focus topics such as circular economy, energy transition, mobility and biodiversity.

Standards establish consistent rules that can be universally understood and adopted. They help to ensure, for example, product functionality, compatibility and interoperability. Standards also define terminologies and methodologies so that products, processes and services can be more easily understood, characterised and compared.

Other important element in transition to sustainable development is active involvement of commercial sector and diversion of investments from polluting activities towards "green" and environmentally friendly activities. This requires both definition of what activities can be considered "sustainable" or "green" as well as transparency in operation of different economic agents. In the EU these issues are addressed through the introduction of EU Taxonomy and requirements for the so-called non-financial reporting.

#### Objective

The purpose of the workshop is to provide an overview of the current trends in the field of environmental standard application to implementation of climate change policy as well as recent developments in the ESG management.

#### Speakers:

- Andrei Pilipchuk, WECOOP GHG reporting expert
- Olga Trasuna, WECOOP Law and policy expert
- Valts Vilnītis, WECOOP Team leader

#### Language:

Russian

#### Location:

Hilton Garden Inn, Kabanbai Batyr Avenue, 15, Astana









## **AGENDA**

### Day 1

10:00-10:30	Registration and coffee
10:30-11:00	Welcome note and introduction:
	- Gabit Mukhambetov, KAZStandart, Director General
	- Johannes Baur, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan, Head of Cooperation
	- Valts Vilnītis, WECOOP project, Team Leader
11:00-11:30	Sustainable development and CC in the EU – setting the scene
11:30-12:00	Environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) management and non-financial reporting as
	part of sustainable development
12:00-12:20	Environmental standards for sustainable development
12:20-13:20	Lunch
13:20-14:00	Sustainable development: trends and challenges
14:00-14:40	GHG emission reduction and emission inventories on different levels
14:40-15:00	Country case: Latvia
15:00-15:30	Country case: Kazakhstan
15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:00	ISO 14060 family of standards – GHG reporting and control
17:00-17:20	Conclusions, Q&A

## Day 2

09:00-09:20	Welcome note
09:20-10:00	Calculation of GHG emissions throughout the company's value chain, calculation of Scope 1, 2, 3
	emissions (GHG Protocol)
10:00-10:50	Practical exercise
10:50-11:20	Coffee break
11:20-11:50	Presentation of the results
11:50-12:10	GHG emission target setting
12:10-13:00	Practical exercise
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:40	Presentation of the results and discussion
14:40-15:20	Life-cycle assessment and Environmental product declaration
15:20-15:50	Conclusions, Q&A
15:50-16:00	Closing of the workshop