

 <p style="text-align: center;">United Nations Development Programme</p>	<p>Capacity Building for Sustainable Land Management in Bulgaria</p> <p>SHORT TITLE: “Sustainable Land Management in Bulgaria”</p>
<p><u>Programme area:</u> Energy and Environment</p> <p><u>Project number:</u> 00043507</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> September 2005 - May 2008</p> <p><u>Implementation Agency:</u> Ministry of Environment and Water (MoEW)</p> <p><u>Partners:</u> Ministry of Agriculture and Food Supply (MAFS) National Agricultural Advisory Service (NAAS)</p> <p><u>Donors:</u> GEF through UNDP MoEW</p> <p><u>Total budget:</u> USD 1 003,102 - directly by GEF: USD 978,102 - directly by MoEW: USD 25,000</p> <p><u>Contact information:</u></p> <p>Project Manager: Ivanka Todorova</p> <p>UNDP Programme Officer: Carsten Germer</p> <p>National Project Director: Tatyana Dimitrova</p> <p>Chief Technical Advisor: Ass. Prof. Maria Sokolovska</p> <p>Project Administrator: Leda Avramova Elitsa Obretenova-Petkova</p> <p><u>Project Office:</u> MoEW 22 Maria Luiza</p>	<p>Project Description The project Capacity Building for Sustainable Land Management is a joint initiative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Ministry of Environment and Water (MoEW) and the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Supply (MAFS), financially supported by the Global Environment Facility (GEF). The project will be realized in support of the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Bulgaria which is ratified by law of the Parliament of Bulgaria, promulgated in the State Gazette and operates since 22 May 2001. The project will contribute to the programmatic target set for OP 15, by promoting and measuring success in capacity building ultimately helping to improve sustainability of land management in the country.</p> <p>Project Goal and Objective The project’s long-term goal is to enhance the enabling environment and capacity for arresting land degradation and establishing sustainable land management practice so as to contribute to enhancing ecosystem health, integrity, functions and services while promoting sustainable livelihoods in Bulgaria.</p> <p>The project’s objective is to build capacity for development and implementation of a coherent land policy. It focuses on mainstreaming, institutional and technical capacity building at and financial mechanisms and resource mobilization for sustainable land management.</p> <p>Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound land policy and a comprehensive legal and regulatory framework for sustainable land management; • Institutional and technical capacity for sustainable land management and combating desertification strengthened; • Local capacity strengthened for land planning and participatory decision-making; • Resources mobilized for NAP implementation as well as for endorsing innovative financial mechanisms and economic incentives explored and agreed with farmers and other land users and the key Ministries. <p>Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutional and technical capacity established for sustainable land management in different sectors and on different levels; • Stocktaking report elaborated of the degradation processes including the elaboration and analyses of options for sustainable land management using the landscape functionality analyses; • Legislation elaborated and adopted for soil protection, including a National Action Program for Sustainable Land Management and Combating Desertification; • Appropriate consultancy packages and messages elaborated presenting the principles for implementation of sustainable land management and monitoring based on farmers and land users participation; • Principles and approaches for sustainable land management integrated in

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PROJECT FACTSHEET

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 projects financed for practical implementation of options for sustainable land management;• Financial schemes and mechanisms for support of SLM and environmentally important local economical activities identified;• The project webpage as a platform for SLM information exchange (CHM portal).
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