

PRESS RELEASE

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On October 7, 2021 in the auditorium of the "Youth" Center, SUE "Maroqand Obod" and Project Implementation Unit will conduct a roundtable with the leaders of Mahallas of Samarkand.

The aim of the event is to assemble mahalla representatives to inform them about the proper management of construction waste, discuss the tariff policy for waste management services in Samarkand;

The event will also include a presentation on the current progress of the Project, demonstration of video clips and distribution of information materials.

Speakers of the event:

- A.A. Raimjanov - Head of Samarkand Department of the Committee on Ecology and Environment Protection.
- Sherhon Nasimov, Director of SUE "Maroqand Obod", information about the process and problems of sanitary cleaning of the city, the importance of cleanliness;
- Nurbek Saidov, Acting Director of Project Implementation Unit, information about the Project on Modernization of MSW Management in the city of Samarkand: goals, achievements, further Project implementation stages and plans;
- Gabriel Ghinea, Team Leader of Expert Group of the PIU Technical Assistance - Consortium SEURECA/Veolia/GBS (France/Uzbekistan), information about International experience in the sphere of MSW.
 - Sherhon Nasimov, Director of SUE "Maroqand Obod". Information about the process and problems of sanitary cleaning of the city, the importance of cleanliness;
 - Nurbek Saidov, Interim Director of the Project Implementation Unit. Information about the Project of Modernization of MSW Management in Samarkand: goals, achievements, further stages of implementation and plans of the Project;
 - Gabriel Ghinea, Team Leader of the PIU Technical Assistance - Consortium SEURECA/Veolia/GBS (France/Uzbekistan), Best International Practices of Construction and Demolition Waste Collection.

Also, representatives of the city Hokimiyat, managers and inspectors of the Department of Ecology and Environmental Protection have been invited as responsible participants. As a result of the increased demolition and reconstruction of private houses, the volume of construction waste increases, which entails a certain risk to the health of residents and the environment. Solutions and measures to reduce the emerging risks will be discussed at the roundtable.

During the event, information materials will be distributed to promote proper waste management.

The participants of the event are heads of mahallas, stakeholders, city residents, employees of SUE MO, PIU.

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BRIEF OVER THE PROJECT:

Significant improvements are already visible in the system of municipal waste management in Samarkand, although some problems can still be identified: the insufficient number of containers for collecting municipal waste, low culture of waste management by consumers - residents often place waste in improper places, which worsens the sanitary condition of the city.

In order to solve these problems and provide modernization of the municipal waste management system, Samarkand is implementing an integrated waste management Project, which aims to improve the system of collection, removal and disposal of MSW, improving the sanitary and environmental condition of the city, reducing emissions of harmful substances into the atmosphere, involving the public in waste management.

Summary of Funding and Components of the Project:

European Union Grant, 8 million euros. Technical assistance, financing of public awareness campaign, detailed design of waste management facilities and required surveys, landfill biogas capture and utilization system, procurement of equipment and GIS tools, training and capacity building.

AFD loan, 23.53 million euros. Procurement of 80 new waste collection trucks for MSW collection and disposal, construction of 15 modern waste collection points, construction of new garage, Material Recovery Facility and new landfill, closure of old landfill, etc.

Budget of RUZ, 5,64 mln. Reconstruction and overhaul of 41 waste collection points, construction of 135 new waste collection points, procurement of 2,100 new containers, provision of tax and customs benefits.

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