

## Reporting on progress made since 2009 on the attainment of the Amsterdam Goals

Following the Third High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment in January 2009, the Steering Committee and its Bureau underlined the importance of monitoring the implementation of THE PEP programme and of progress made by Member States toward the attainment of the four Amsterdam Goals. These reports will facilitate the assessment of progress made and provide valuable information about the achievements and obstacles encountered by Member States and other stakeholders in attaining the Amsterdam Goals and in implementing THE PEP.

The answers below were submitted by the listed THE PEP focal point(s) to THE PEP secretariat in fall 2011 and are provided here in an unedited version.

### Section A: Information about the preparation of the replies to the questionnaire

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**Please provide brief information on the process through which this report has been prepared, including information on which types of authorities were consulted or contributed to its preparation.**

- Ministry in charge of health
- Ministry in charge of environment
- Ministry in charge of transport
- Regional authorities
- Local authorities
- Academia
- Private business
- Non-governmental organizations
- Others, please specify:

**Please report any particular circumstances that have a major impact on the context for the implementation of THE PEP in your country. For example, whether the decision-making structure is federal and/or decentralized and whether financial constraints are a significant obstacle to implementation.**

Decision-making structure is centralized and there are some constraints to implement THE PEP.

## Section B: Implementation of the Amsterdam Goals

### Priority Goal 1: to contribute to sustainable economic development and stimulate job creation through investment in environment- and health-friendly transport

indicator 1.1 Please describe any policies or programmes in your country that support investment in the following:

Development of transport infrastructure that promotes safety, environment and health and has a job creation potential, including rail and light rail. *Please specify:*

Yes there are, especially in Skopje.

Clean and efficient intermodal connections. *Please specify:*

Still there is no tram, nor metro.

Safety measures in road transport. *Please specify:*

According to the Strategy and Law on traffic.

Infrastructure for active and environmentally friendly transport. *Please specify:*

Yes, there are many lanes for biking and walking.

Eco-Tourism. *Please specify:*

There are a new public buses with open roofs for sightseeing in Skopje and Ohrid paid by the Government.

### Priority Goal 2: to manage sustainable mobility and promote a more efficient transport system

indicator 2.1 Describe the 3 main policies or programmes in your country that support mobility management and modal shift away from the private car toward more environmentally-friendly modes (public transport, walking and cycling, etc.) and indicate the level (i.e. national, sub-national, local/municipal) and target groups

Level	Description
national	Introduction of 300 new buses for the public fleet in Skopje, the Capital of the country. These buses fulfill the Euro 4 and 5 standards.
Target group	
communities	

Level	Description
local/municipal	Construction of new boulevards, cross-roads, streets and bridges to improve the traffic especially public one. Introduction of the intelligence traffic system in Skopje.
Target group	
communities	

Level	Description
local/municipal	Construction of new biking and walking lanes and their marking. Introduction of biking rental system in Skopje.
Target group	
communities	

indicator 2.2 Does the government raise awareness of mobility choices?

Yes

indicator 2.3 Does the government promote the use of information technology to increase the efficiency of the transport system?

Yes

indicator 2.4 Are there mechanisms in place in your country to improve the coordination between land use and transport planning?

Yes

indicator 2.5 **Does your country take any measures to promote high-quality integrated public transport and reducing the need for, and the volume of, car traffic?**

Yes

Please, specify:

There is already introduced a car-parking rental system by SMS in the inner centre of Skopje as well in other parts of Skopje, with a plan to broaden such experience in other cities like Tetovo etc.

### Priority Goal 3: to reduce emissions of transport-related greenhouse gases, air pollutants and noise

indicator 3.1 **Describe any strategies, policies or measures to support a shift in the vehicle fleet towards zero- or low-emission vehicles and fuels based on renewable energy, clean transport modes and fostering electric mobility as well as eco-driving.**

In Skopje there is a process of replacing of old-fashioned buses in public traffic supported by the government, and in private buses by the owners, with new fleet of buses that fulfill the standards of low-emission vehicles. Also, there is a process of upgrading the old buses with buses run by natural gas. In Skopje has been prepared a feasibility study for a Tram.

indicator 3.2 **Does your Government take any measures to support a reduction in noise emissions from transport activities?**

Yes

Specify:

yes, there is a new Law on Noise, and there is noise monitoring and counter measures

### Priority Goal 4: to promote policies and actions conducive to healthy and safe modes of transport

indicator 4.1 **Describe any strategies, policies and measures in your country for the promotion of healthy and safe modes of transport, including infrastructure and safety measures for safe walking and cycling, policies to support cycling and walking, in particular in urban areas and links with efficient and accessible public transport**

In Skopje there is a process of replacing of old-fashioned buses in public traffic supported by the government, and in private buses by the owners, with new fleet of buses that fulfill the standards of low-emission vehicles. Also, there is a process of upgrading the old buses with buses run by natural gas. In Skopje has been prepared a feasibility study for a Tram.

indicator 4.2 **Do transport policies and actions in your country focus on vulnerable groups such as children and persons with reduced mobility?**

Yes

Specify:

In new public busses there are lifts for persons with reduced mobility. Pavements are constructed in the way to allow the access to persons with reduced mobility. The same is valid for all public facilities.

## Section C: Implementation of THE PEP

### 5. THE PEP Implementation mechanisms (please see the Amsterdam Declaration para 6-8)

#### **NATIONAL TRANSPORT, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT ACTION PLANS (NTHEAPs)**

**More information:**

[Draft manual on developing NTHEAPs](#)

indicator 5.1 Does your country have a NTHEAP or similar tool?

Was THE PEP helpful in the development of your country's NTHEAP?

If available, please provide a web link to your country's NTHEAP:

indicator 5.2 What is the current status of your country's NTHEAP?

indicator 5.3 What is/will be the scope and format of your country's NTHEAP?

- national
- sub-national
- stand-alone document
- part of a national environment and health action plan (NEHAP)
- environment and health components in a national transport action plan

#### **RELAY RACE (Staffete)**

**More information:**

[Workshop in Kyiv, 2011](#)  
[Workshop in Batumi, 2010](#)  
[Workshop in Skopje, 2010](#)  
[Workshop in Pruhonice, 2009](#)

indicator 5.4 Has your country contributed to THE PEP relay race workshops?

If YES, how?

- technical contribution (in kind)
- financial contribution

#### **THE PEP PARTNERSHIP**

**More information:**

[Terms of reference of THE PEP Partnership](#)

indicator 5.5 Does your country contribute to THE PEP Partnership?

If YES, how?

- technical expertise (in kind)
- direct financial contribution

indicator 5.6 Are there any formal networks/platforms of professionals who are involved in THE PEP issues in your country?

Please specify:

indicator 5.7 Are these networks/platforms supported by the government?

If YES, please indicate how:

- direct funding
- in kind
- political

## 6. Policy, regulatory and operational frameworks that support the promotion of THE PEP

indicator 6.1 **Do you have a coordinating body and/or a formal structure for implementation of THE PEP within your government?**

No ▼

Represented sectors:

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transport   | <input type="checkbox"/> Education                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban planning                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health      | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance     | <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify: <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academia    |   |

indicator 6.2 **Is integration of the three sectors reflected in any other national policy document(s)?**

Yes ▼

Please list main documents:

NEAP I and II, NEHAP, Strategy for sustainable development, Law for Environment (SEA, EIA) etc.

indicator 6.3 **Is public awareness in relation to the integration of the three sectors addressed in relevant national document(s)?**

Yes ▼

Please list main documents:

under local and national activities and public campaigns

indicator 6.4 **Are public budgets and/or economic incentives available specifically to support integration of the three sectors?**

No ▼

Please specify:

## 7. Future of THE PEP

Indicator 7.1 **What have been the main successes of THE PEP in stimulating national action in the priority areas of THE PEP in your country? Please give concrete examples and a short explanation of your assessment.**

In preparedness of Strategy for traffic safety.

Indicator 7.2 **What have been the main weaknesses of THE PEP in stimulating national action in the priority areas in your country? Please give concrete examples and a short explanation of your assessment.**

Main weakness is lack of coordinating body.

Indicator 7.3 **How could THE PEP better support national efforts to integrate transport, environment and health policies and achieve sustainable transport?**

To establish a coordinating body and concrete projects to produce positive results in the fields of transport, health and environment.