Interregional Seminar with International Participation
“Transition Features to a New System of Municipal Solid Waste Management in the Arctic Regions of Russia”

RESOLUTION

Arkhangelsk

On December 4-5, 2017, Arkhangelsk hosted the Interregional Seminar with International Participation “Transition Features to a New System of Municipal Solid Waste Management in the Arctic Regions of Russia”, arranged by Arkhangelsk Ministry for Natural Resources and Forestry; Norwegian Environment Agency; BEAC Sub-Group on Hot Spot Exclusion; NEFCO; Autonomous Non-Commercial Organization “Arkhangelsk Regional Center for Energy Efficiency”; and Private Further Education Centre “Environmental Consulting Center”.

Attended by the audience of 135 officials representing 65 organizations and businesses, the Seminar has delivered the following presentations:

1. Implementing the Core Priorities of MSW Management System in the Arctic Zone (Case Study of Arkhangelsk Region). Speaker: Ivan N. Popov (Arkhangelsk Ministry for Natural Resources and Forestry, Department for Environment and Ecology, Deputy Director);
2. Implementing the Core Priorities of the Waste Management System in the Arctic Areas of the BEAR Countries (the experience of Norway). Speaker: Ivar Sture Handeland (Remiks Miljopark AS, PR Director, Tromsø, Norway)
3. Funding Opportunities Available from International Funding Institutions (IFIs) for MSW Management in the Arctic Zone and BEAR Countries. Speaker: Henrik Forsstrom (NEFCO, Senior Adviser);
4. MSW Management in the Context of the Legislative Updates in Russia. Speaker: Natalia S. Gun’kina (RosPrirodNadzor’s Office for Arkhangelsk Region, State Environmental Appraisal and Rating Department Manager)
5. BAT for Waste Management. Speaker: Ruslan O. Butovsky (RF Ministry for Natural Resources and Environment’s Research Institute “Ecologiya”, TEKNOLoGIYA Research and Methodological Guidance Center, Director)
6. Promoting Waste Management System in the Arctic Zone: experience and challenges of selecting the regional operator. Speaker: Olga V. Banishevskaya (Komi Republic Ministry for Construction, Tariffs, Communal Housing, and Road Sector, Non-Production Sector Pricing and MSW Management Department Manager)
7. Challenges of MSW Collection in the Severe Climate of Republic of Sakha (Yakutia). Speaker: Viktor D. Romanov (Sakha Republic (Yakutia) Ministry for Communal Housing and Energy Sector, Department of Communal Services and Strategic Development, Director)
8. Municipal Solid Waste Management in Republic of Karelia. Speaker: Alexey N. Pavlov (Karelian Republic Ministry for Natural Resources, Senior Vice Minister)
9. MSW Collection System of Nenets Autonomous Area. Speaker: Pavel A. Masyukov (NAA Department for Construction, Communal Housing Services, Energy, and Transport, Unit Manager)
10. Liquidation of Negative Environmental Impact Sources on the polluted islands of the Franz Joseph Land by the Russian Arctic National Park: performance and outcomes. Speaker: Viktor S. Kuznetsov (Russian Arctic National Park, Deputy Director for Environmental Outreach and Tourism)

11. Separate Waste Collection in Kenozero National Park: initial steps and prospects. Speaker: Nadezhda N. Cherenkova (Kenozero National Park, Deputy Director for Biodiversity Conservation)

12. Action Plan for the Year of Environment and Year of Protected Natural Areas in Arkhangelsk. Speaker: Liudmila V. Artemova (Arkhangelsk Ministry for Natural Resources and Forestry, Department for Environmental Appraisal, Rating, and Monitoring, Director)

13. Environmental Outreach in Barents Municipalities. Speaker: Terje Eckhoff (LOOP Project Manager, Oslo, Norway)

14. Authorities, Civil Society Organizations, Businesses: interaction experience as the basis for raising public environmental awareness. Russian Separate Waste Collection Project “Let’s Do It Together.” Speaker: Liudmila V. Shoshina (Environmental Consulting Center Director)

15. Raising Public Environmental Awareness. Environmental Outreach Project “Russia – The Land Of Young Nature Defenders” in Arkhangelsk Region. Speakers: Alexandra V. Grigorova (BiArmia, Arkhangelsk Region’s Environmental Advocates Foundation, Director), Ksenia S. Maltseva (Saw Mill 25, Environmental Service Manager)

16. Proposals for Waste Management Schemes for Arctic Areas (Case study of Arkhangelsk). Speaker: Dmitry N. Zubko (Volga-Business (LLC) Director)

17. The Concept for a New MSW Management System in Arkhangelsk Region: investment opportunities. Speaker: Vilayat G. Shukyurov (TransDorProject LLC, Acting Director)

18. The Experience of Setting Up Waste Management Systems in the Arctic Areas. Speaker: Evgeny M. Barzykin (Upravleniye Otkhodami (Waste Management), JSC, Senior Deputy Director)


20. Remake Ltd. as an Element of Waste Disposal System in Arkhangelsk Region. Speaker: Ilya V. Pokhodiy (Remake Ltd. Director)


22. Advanced Technologies for Sustainable MSW Management. Speaker: Jouni Suomalainen (Solid Environmental Technologies Oy, Espoo, Finland, Moscow Office, Director for Regional Marketing)

23. Comprehensive Technology for Rubber-Based Wastes Recycling. Speaker: Alexey V. Lisnichenko (EcoProject Ltd. Executive Director)

24. MSW Management in Climatically Severe Areas. Speaker: Anders Larkert (NEFCO Expert on Wastes)
Upon delivery and discussion of the presentations, the Seminar deems:

1. its performance be recognized relevant and productive;
2. the initiative towards holding the Seminar on an annual basis be supported; and
3. the efforts towards transition to the new system of municipal waste management (inclusive of separate collection) be continued;

and recommends that:

4. the Seminar participants continue their efforts towards raising the natural resources users’ awareness of the need to switch to the new system of municipal solid waste management and separate waste collection;
5. the relevant supervisory bodies continue focusing business executives and organization managers on their duty to implement separate waste collection;
6. the relevant executive governmental executive agencies and local self-government authorities employ their information channels to keep organizations and the public aware of the progress on separate waste collection;
7. the government of Arkhangelsk Region continues its efforts towards environmental outreach and larger involvement of the public in its agenda to promote separate waste collection; and
8. the relevant executive governmental agencies and local self-government authorities elaborate a system of incentives to encourage residents to practice separate waste collection.

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