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PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

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Introduction

Environmental Law Resource Centre of Law Faculty, Yerevan State University in accordance with its mission and tasks carried out different programs, events, researches and other venues aimed to support the implementation of RA environmental legislation, strengthen the capacity of law faculty in the field of environmental law.

From the first days of its formation Environmental law resource centre implemented **three public hearing** of law drafts with essential outputs, **two lectures** as a result of cooperation with foreign institutes and universities, **student's scientific conference and moot-court competition**.

Below You may see the detailed description of activities.

I. STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF YEREVAN STATE UNIVERSITY, IN PARTICULAR LAW FACULTY AS A RESOURCE AND RESEARCH HUB.

1. INVOLVMENT OF STUDENTS, LECTURES AND ASSISTENCE TO THE EDUCATIONAL PROECESS

1.1 Lecture on "EU Environmental law".

Date: October, 2008.

Partner(s): Environmental Law Centre of the University of Amsterdam.

Participants (beneficiaries): Bachelor and MD students of Law Faculty of YSU.

1.2 Moot-Court Competition on Environmental Law.

Date: November 14, 2008.

Participants: Students of law departments of YSU and French University of Armenia.

1.3 Lecture “Risk Analysis and Environmental Impact Assessment”.

Date: November 21, 2008.

Partner(s): Fridtjof Nansen Institute (Norway).

Participants (beneficiaries): Students of different Faculties of YSU.

1.4 Student Scientific Conference on topic”Environmental Security”.

Date: December 3, 2008.

Partner(s): Students scientific association.

Participants (beneficiaries): Students of Higher educational institutions in Armenia.

II. CONTRIBUTION TO IMPROVEMENT OF LAW-MAKING AND LAW-ENFORCEMENT PRACTICE

1. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

1.1 Public discussion of the Law draft of RA on “Freedom to receive Data”

Date: October 23, 2008.

Partner(s): Ministry of justice of RA.

Participants (beneficiaries): Representatives of Ministries, other public authorities, International Organizations, NGOs, Mass Media and MD students.

1.2 Public Hearing of Law draft on “Implementing self –control to act pursuant to environmental legislations requirements”.

Date: On 10 November, 2008.

Partner(s): Ministry of nature protection.

Participants (beneficiaries): Representatives of Ministries, other public authorities, International Organizations, NGOs, Mass Media and MD students.

1.3 Public hearing on Presidential Decree "On Forming Forest State Committee in the sphere of governance of Ministry of Agriculture of RoA".

Date: 5 December, 2008.

Partner(s): Ministry of agriculture.

Participants (beneficiaries): Representatives of Ministries, other public authorities, International Organizations, NGOs, Mass Media and MD students.

2. AWARENESS RAISING CAMPAIGNS AND ACTIVITIES

2.1 Development of the web-page of the Centre

Date: October, 2008.

Partner(s): Yerevan Aarhus Center, Information-analytical center of the Ministry of nature protection.

Participants (beneficiaries): Public authorities, Aarhus Centers, students and etc.