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*Human kind is a part of the nature and life depends on undisturbed functioning of nature systems, which provide for resources of energy and nutrition,... Permanent benefit from the nature depends on maintenance of basic ecological processes of vitally important systems, from **diversity of life forms**, which are threatened by extreme exploitation and destruction of areas from the man's side.*

The World Chart on Nature, adopted by the UN General Assembly on 28 October 1982

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

• INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND STRUCTURES

European Union

In 2005, MoE SR contributed to the creation of the Community's legislation, which ultimately has an effect on the creation of the national legislation. Meanwhile, the process of transposition and implementation of effective environmental legal norms continued.

Representatives from the sector of environment, together with invited specialists from other sectors, regularly **attended the sessions of the EU Council working groups**. In 2005, there were **4 sessions of the official EU Council for environment** (10.3.2005, 24.6.2005, 17.10.2005, 2.12.2005) and one informal EU Council for environment session organized in Great Britain.

Participation of the Slovak representatives in the EU sessions has the objective **to defend the national interests while looking for a commonly-acceptable compromise**. Coordination of the national position therefore plays a very important role. Coordination of the SR strategy toward the EU in the area of environment on the national level is supervised by the MoE SR. Discussion also included the following issues dealing with the supra-sectoral jurisdiction: preparation of the supporting material and preliminary position statements for the session of the SR Parliament Committee for European Affairs, coordination of proceedings on the breach of the EC Founding Treaty, etc., duties to report to the European Commission, problems with translation of documents, corrections to valid legislation, interpretation within the EU Council working groups. Participation of the MoE SR representatives in the EU 1 Affairs Committee at the MFA SR ensured the preparation and approval of positions for the COREPER sessions in the area of environment

MoE SR representatives periodically attended also the **PS III sessions Transportation and Environment of the European Union National Convent**. There were two PS III Environment

session organized in 2005 (October 5, 2005 and December 5, 2005). The sessions addressed the issues of developing the SR positions to the EU policies and documents in the area of environment, as well as transposition and implementation of the European Parliament and Council Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, and the preparation of Slovakia for the implementation of the EU Water Framework Directive within the water management strategy by 2015.

The following legal instruments were addressed and approved by the EU Council for Environment in 2005:

- European Parliament and Council Proposal for Directive on protection of groundwater against contamination;
- Proposal for Directive aimed at establishing an infrastructure for spatial information in the Community (INSPIRE);
- Proposal for Directive on the financial instrument for the Environment (LIFE+);
- REACH – preparation of a new proposal for regulation of chemicals (EP and Council Draft Directive for the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) which establishes the European Agency for chemical substances, and which amends Directive 1999/45/EC and the EC Regulation on persistent organic pollutants and the EP draft directive, which amends the Council Directive 67/548/EEC to be aligned with the EC Regulation and EP Council Directive on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals).
- Proposal for Council Directive on batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators;
- Proposal for Council Directive related to bathing water management;
- Regulation on the application of the provisions of the Aarhus Convention for the EC institutions and bodies;
- Proposal for Council Regulation to ratify the Aarhus Convention by the EC;
- Proposal for Council and Parliament Directive, which introduces humane trapping standards for certain animal species;
- Parliament and Council proposal for Regulation on the establishment of the European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register and the amending Council Directives 91/689/EEC and 96/61/EC;
- Proposal for Council Regulation to complete the EEC UN Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers on behalf of the European Community;
- Proposal for Council Regulation on completion of Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds, by the European Community;
- Proposal for the Parliament and Council Directive on Ambient Air Quality and Cleaner Air for Europe;

Strategic documents addressed at the EU Environmental Council:

- The Community Strategy concerning Mercury;
- Thematic Strategy on Better Regulation;
- Thematic Strategy on Air Pollution.

Other major themes addressed at the EU Environmental Council:

- **Climate Changes** – adopted outputs of the Council for eleventh Conference of the Parties (COP 11) to the UNF on climate change, and the first Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (MOP 1);
- **Restricting the influence of air traffic on climate changes;**
- **Strategic approach to international handling of chemical substances** – adopted in preparation for the international conference on handling of chemicals;
- **Subsequent steps in the area of GMO** – initial discussion on European perspectives of the best use of the GMO and on decision-making process regarding the GMO.

Priorities of the EU and the Council Presiding countries in the area of Environmental Conservation in 2005

The EU member countries rotate in their EU Council presidency every 6 months. **Luxemburg** presided over the Council in the first half of 2005, while **Great Britain** in the second. Stemming from the "Council's Operational Programme for 2005 submitted by the Luxemburg and British presidencies", their environmental priorities included mainly the following areas:

Thematic Strategies

Discussion on the seven thematic strategies submitted within the **6th Environmental Action Programme** (EAP) (soil protection, waste prevention and recycling, sustainable use of natural resources, sustainable use of pesticides, air pollution, protection and conservation of the marine environment, urban environment and corresponding areas of sustainable consumption and production including integrated product strategy) was critical for the EU environmental strategy for the upcoming years. These thematic strategies include a number of legislative as well as non-legislative initiatives.

Four key areas in the 6th EAP

The Council put maximum effort into reaching the final political agreement regarding the resolution on financial instrument for the environment (LIFE+) and the INSPIRE Directive, focused on establishment of the infrastructure for prevention and better management of potential environmental risks, with the aim to support the completion of activities under the 6th EAP.

In the area of **climate changes**, the presiding countries focused on the implementation of the EU medium to long-term strategies and objectives in the area of climate changes, and attempted to ensure the EU's ability to demonstrate its progress toward meeting the Kyoto obligations. They monitored how effectively the system of trading with emissions was implemented, and attempted to complete the proposal addressing the fluorinated greenhouse gasses.

In the area of **nature protection and biodiversity**, the Council addressed activities dealing with the EC biodiversity and the Directive that introduces the norms for humane trapping standards for certain animal species.

In the area of **environment, health, and quality of life**, the Council finalised activities on the directive relating to the management of water for bathing, and on the directive on the sulfur content of the fuel used by maritime ships. A discussion was initiated on the council regulation on the pollutant release and transfer register and on the direction on groundwater protection.

In the area of **natural resources and waste**, the presiding countries finalised the works on the directive on waste disposal from the mining industry. Significant progress was reached in the preparation of the directive on batteries and accumulators, and on carrying out the final agreement regarding the regulation on waste transport.

Environmental governance

Both presiding countries attempted to complete the activities on the Regulation, in order to make effective the Aarhus Convention and the subsequent EC decision to sign it, as well as the last step under the Aarhus agenda (proposal for the Parliament and Council Directive on Access to Justice in Environmental Matters).

Environmental technologies

Both presiding countries significantly supported the implementation of the Environmental Technologies Action Plan (ETAP) in individual EU member states.

Visegrad Cooperation (V4)

12th conference of the V4 ministers of environment was organized on June 6-7, 2005 in Bialowieza, Poland. Ministers welcomed the effective Kyoto Protocol to the framework Convention on Climate Change, and supported the need to accelerate the process of international negotiations toward the development of global, medium and long-term strategies to reduce emissions causing the greenhouse effect.

Meanwhile, the ministers exchanged experience in using the finances from Structural funds and the Cohesion Fund, and agreed to exchange information on protected areas within the NATURA 2000

network on the level of expert talks, paying special emphasis to the alignment of these areas along the common border.

Bilateral cooperation

Bilateral cooperation with the neighbouring countries including the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, and Austria focused primarily on the cooperation between border regions on programming and implementation of common projects with funding from the EU programmes.

In 2005, MoE SR signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the MoE SR and the Ministry for research and protection of environment of the Serbian Republic. The memorandum dealt with cooperation in the area of environmental protection (Bratislava, February 14, 2005), which created a platform for sharing of experience with the Serbian side, especially the ones relating to the process of Slovakia's accession to the EU and functioning of the Environmental Fund.

In 2005, the Slovak Republic either ratified or signed a number of **international conventions and protocols**:

- Protocol to the Convention on long-range trans-boundary air pollution to abate acidification, eutrophication and ground-level ozone (Göteborg, 30.11.1999, SR signed on 1.12.1999, SR ratified on 28.4.2005)
- International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling (Washington, 2.12.1946), and Protocol of Amendment (Washington, 19.11.1956, SR acceded on 22.3.2005)
- European Landscape Convention (Florence, 20.10.2000, SR signed on 30.5.2005, SR ratified on 9.8.2005)
- Convention on Access to information, public participation in decision-making and access to justice in environmental matters – Aarhus Convention (Aarhus, 25.6.1998, SR acceded on 5.12.2005)





*Measures of the economic policy and other measures shall be designed to implement economical and social development of the Slovak Republic, and they will follow the principle of sustainable development. These measures should provide from the very beginning, that **also aspects of environmental protection shall be fully taken into consideration** and that they shall be connected to the requirements of a harmonic social development.*

Article 72 par. 2 of the European Affiliation Agreement, signed between the European Union and its members on one side and the Slovak republic on the other side (Luxembourg, 4 October 1993)

• PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

PHARE - National Programme

♦ **PHARE – Twinning, Twinning light**

In the area of environment, the PHARE Programme continued to focus on strengthening the MoE SR administration. It also supports of the process of approximation of legislation and its application in accordance with the EU requirements.

Financial memorandum of the **PHARE 2002 National Programme** was signed on January 10, 2003. Three (3) twinning projects were approved for the resort of environment, totalling in 4.02 mil. EUR. Their implementation continued also in 2005.

Projects implemented under financial memorandum of the PHARE 2002 National Programme

SK02/IB/EN/01: Implementation and enforcement of the directive on the release of hazardous chemical substances into water	
International partner	Italy (International Federation of United Cities and Local Administrations and of the Province of Turin)
Total financial volume	1 415 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT WAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED IN AUGUST 2005
SK02/IB/EN/02: Implementation of the directive on integrated pollution prevention and control (IPPC)	
International partner	Greece – National Technical University of Athens
Total financial volume	1 190 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT WAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED IN OCTOBER 2005
SK02/IB/EN/03: Implementation and enforcement of the Convention the Conservation of Natural Wildlife and Natural Habitats, and the Directive on Wildfowl Protection	
International partner	Germany (German Federal Ministry for the Environment)
Total financial volume	1 415 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT WAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER 2005

Source: MoE SR

Development of the **National PHARE 2003 Programme** was the last action before the SR joined the EU. Projects approved under the PHARE Financial Memorandum 2003 are implemented in 2004-2006, with three projects approved for the MoE SR resort. Besides large twining projects, two technical assistance projects were approved for funding within the *Unallocated Institutional Building Facility*. Their implementation started in the second half of 2004.

Projects implemented under financial memorandum of the PHARE 2003 National Programme

SK03/IB/EN/01: STRENGTHENING OF INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITIES WITHIN THE ENVIRONMENT SECTOR	
International partner	Austria (Federal Environment Agency - FEA)
Total financial volume	1 160 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT UNDER IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNED COMPLETION - JULY 2006
SK03/IB/EN/02: Biological safety monitoring system (GMO)	
INTERNATIONAL PARTNER	Austria (Federal Environment Agency - FEA)
Total financial volume	1 500 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT WAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED IN AUGUST 2005
SR03/IB/EN/03: Implementation of the EU directives on electricity and electronic scrap	
International partner	Swedish Trade Council
Total financial volume	400 000 EUR
STATE OF PROJECT	PROJECT UNDER IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNED COMPLETION - NOVEMBER 2006

Source: MoE SR

Projects implemented under “the Unallocated Institutional Building Facility” of PHARE 2003 National Programme Financial Memorandum

UIBF 2003-004-995-01-04/07: Institutional strengthening in the area of management of contaminated facilities containing PCB, in Slovakia	
Partner	Dekonta, Ltd. in cooperation with the Slovak Hydro-meteorological Institute
Total financial volume	130 000 EUR
STATE OF PROJECT	PROJECT UNDER IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNED COMPLETION - JULY 2006
UIBF 2003-004-995-01-04/17: Strengthening of administration capacities of the MoE SR in the area of preparation and implementation of public-private partnership projects (PPP). In the area of national support within the EU scheme, to effectively implement the environmental acquis through environmental investment projects.	
INTERNATIONAL PARTNER	Integrated Skills Ltd, Great Britain
Total financial volume	199 999 EUR
State of project	PROJECT UNDER IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNED COMPLETION - JUNE 2006

Source: MoE SR

♦ TRANSITION FACILITY (2004-2006)

Transition Facility (2004-2006) is designed for the new EU member states to strengthen and develop their administration capacities to ensure the implementation of the EC legislation in the areas that cannot be funded from structural funds. Drafts of projects must build on the *acquis communautaire* and must not overlap with already existing PHARE projects of EU funding.

Projects implemented under the Unallocated Institutional Building Facility

UIBF 2004/016-764.08.0301-0002: Derivation of typologically-specific reference conditions for the classification of the ecological state of water	
INTERNATIONAL PARTNER	Finland (Finnish Environmental Institute)
Total financial volume	200 000 EUR
State of project	PROJECT UNDER IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNED COMPLETION - JUNE 2006
UIBF 2004/016-764.08.0301 Ensuring the information flow on the quality of lake and dam water in the SR in relation to the EEA and EC, and software strengthening of the database system of water designated for recreational use	
INTERNATIONAL PARTNER	(project to be implemented)
Total financial volume	199 000 EUR
State of project	project to be implemented

Source: MoE SR

Life III – financial instrument for environment

The LIFE Programme focuses on development and implementation of the strategy for the EC environmental protection. Its main objective is to help integrate the environmental aspect into the social area. Activities are funded in three basic areas: LIFE – Nature, LIFE – Environment, LIFE – Third countries.

The Programme is unique in that it does not limit the number of applicants for funding. Any subject, including government institutions and entrepreneurs, may apply for funding.

Preparation of project proposals for the year 2005 and their subsequent classification into the EC assessment process continued in the second half of 2004. There were four project proposals submitted under the LIFE – Nature Programme, while three project proposals were submitted under the LIFE – Environment Programme.

Summary of approved and ongoing projects under the LIFE EC Programme in 2005

LIFE - Nature

Protection of biodiversity of environment in the Slovenský Raj NP	
Project submitted by:	State Nature Protection of the SR – Administration of the Slovenský raj NP
Project partners:	DAPHNE – Institute of applied ecology, Forest Research Institute, Voluntary Association of the Villages of Slovenský Raj, the village of Hrabušice, Slovak scouting
Project's budget:	639 460 EUR
Grant LIFE:	319 961 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Protection of the Bustard in Slovakia LIFE05NAT/SK/000115	
Project submitted by:	State Nature Protection of the SR
Project partners:	SOVS, RPS, city of Lehnice, Hunting Association of Lehnice
Project's budget:	2 040 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	1 500 000 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Restoration of wetlands in the Záhorská lowland LIFE05NAT/SK/000112	
Project submitted by:	State Nature Protection of the SR
Project partners:	BROZ, Slovak Water Management Company
Project's budget:	624 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	312 000 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Restoration of water regime in the nature reserve of Šúrske swamps	
Project submitted by:	AINP – Association of industry and nature protection
Project partners:	village of Svätý Jur, Slovak Water Management Enterprise, Slovak Land Fund, State Nature Protection of the SR – Administration of the Malé Karpaty PLA
Project's budget:	400 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	300 000 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Protection of the Imperial Eagle in the Carpathian basin	
Project submitted by:	SVODAS – Group for research and protection of birds of prey and owls
Project partners:	State Nature Protection in cooperation with the MME Bird Life Hungary
Project's budget:	492 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	369 000 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Protection and management of the Danube floodplain forests	
Project submitted by:	BROZ – Bratislava regional association of protection
Project partners:	State Nature Protection – PLA Administration of Danube floodplains, Nationalpark Donau-Auen (Austria)
Project's budget:	570 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	370 500 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Source: MoE SR

LIFE - Environment

Sustainable development of cities and reduction of climate change impacts on the quality of urban life and urban environment LIFE04ENV/SK/00797	
Project submitted by:	Regional Environmental Centre Slovakia
Project partners:	city of Púchov, OZ Living Planet, Ministry of Environment of the SR
Project's budget:	355 739 EUR
Grant LIFE:	170 945 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Innovative approach to reduction of waste from the propylene oxide production LIFE04ENV/SK/000796	
Project submitted by:	Novácke Chemical Works, inc.
Project partners:	-
Project's budget:	1 775 842 EUR
Grant LIFE:	281 503 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Implementation of new approaches to sustainable management of water and landscape of the Hungary-Slovakia territory (Malý žitný ostrov)	
Project submitted by:	Water Management Research Institute
Project partners:	Hungary – Self-governing Association of the Upper Mošon Podunajsko, Geonardo Regional Project-Development Environmental, Spatial-information Centre, s.r.o., Administration of Environment and Water Management of the West Zadunajsko, VITUKI Protection and Water Management Research Institute
Project's budget:	250 158 EUR
Grant LIFE:	123 763 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Integrate approach to the extraction of energy from biomass	
Project submitted by:	BIOMASA – association of legal persons
Project partners:	UNDP – GEF, MoE SR
Project's budget:	5 733 000 EUR
Grant LIFE:	1 012 000 EUR
Phase:	under implementation

Source: MoE SR

Slovak Official Development Assistance (ODA)

On acceding to the EU, Slovakia obliged itself to create a mechanism of development assistance. Such mechanism is called the Official Development Assistance, or the ODA. The strategic and action documents, directives, budgets, and international treaties are based on the *Medium-term Strategy for Official Development Assistance: 2003-2008*, which defines the ODA objectives, principles, priorities, and partners.

National Programme for the year 2005 focused on that part of the Slovak development aid, where Slovakia was in the position of an active partner to the developing countries.

Development funds from the MFA SR in 2005 were to ensure and implement:

- projects and activities for the high priority project countries – (Afghanistan, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kirghizia, Macedonia, Mongolia, Mozambique, Sudan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Cambodia),
- projects of development education,
- projects of official aid to Ukraine and Belarus,
- micro grants given through the embassies,
- projects and activities for Serbia and Montenegro.

In 2005, volume of the provided ODA reached **1 739 551 thous. SKK**, which represents the share of 0.12 % of the GDP created in the SR in 2005. Compared to 2004, it is an increase by 825 554 thous. SKK.

In the area of environment, the official development aid focused on multilateral inputs to the international conventions and UN funds, and other multilateral institutions – Environmental Fund UNEP, UN FCCC, CITES, IUCN, Kyoto Protocol, and Zverenec UNEP Fund for the Montreal Protocol on ozone layer depleting substances. In 2005, the volume of inputs from the members reached **3 609 thous. SKK**, which is similar to the previous year.

Summary of approved projects in 2005 in the area of environmental protection

Groundwater management and its trans-boundary aspects in Kazakhstan	
Project submitted by:	Slovak Hydro-meteorological Institute
Project's budget:	110 000 USD
ODA contribution:	100 000 USD
Phase:	under implementation

The group of platinum and mineralization by rare soil elements of the West Mongolia – assessment of regional source	
Project submitted by:	State Geological Institute of Dionýz Štúr
Project's budget:	110 000 USD
ODA contribution:	100 000 USD
Phase:	under implementation

Support of education toward sustainable development in Vojvodina	
Project submitted by:	Slovak Environmental Agency
Project's budget:	2 196 126 SKK
ODA contribution:	1 985 126 SKK
Phase:	under implementation

Source: MoE SR

Summary of other projects of international aid

SCHEME/DONOR:	2002	2003	2004	2005	Beneficiary/ co-author	Note:
5. framework EC programme						
Consortium Operational Management Platform River Information Services - COMPRIS	1.37 (0.036 M€)				AW - Holland SWME, s.e.	Research
5. framework EC programme – total				1.37 (0.036 M€)		
6. framework EC programme						
Network of reference laboratories for monitoring and bio monitoring of pollutants - NORMAN			0.63 (0,016 M€)		WRI INEIR - France	Project approved - 2004 Implementation started in - 2005
Tuning of the EIA – IPM3 Process			1.78 (0.044 M€)		SEA Austria, Portugal, , Sweden, Great Britain	Implementation December 2004 - March 2006
Integrated modelling Aqua - Terra			1.04 (0.026 M€)		WRI	44 EU organisations participate in the project
Relationships between ecological and chemical state of the surface water REBECCA		2.48 (0.064 M€)			SHMI SYKE – Finland - coordinator	International project with 14 European countries participating - funds for the SHMI
6. framework programme – total				5.93 (0.15 M€)		
Bilateral aid						
Belgium – Flanders						
Air quality in the SR – Monitoring of air pollution and audit of the system of quality			6.6 (0.16M€)		SHMI VMM, Vito (Flanders)	Implementation January 2003 – June 2005

SCHEME/DONOR:	2002	2003	2004	2005	Beneficiary/ co-author	Note:
Capacity building and training of project managers for sustainable ecological tourism				2,59 (0,065 M€)	SBM International Forum for Biophilosophy	Implementation October 2004 – June 2006
Flanders – subtotal 9.19 (0.23 M€)						
Denmark						
DEPA DANCEE						
Flood management in the SR and Ukraine	23.7 (0.59 M€)				MoE SR (WRI, SHMI, SWME), DHI Water and Environment, Hungary, Ukraine, Czech Republic	Implementation March 2001-2006
Aid to Slovak Republic in the implementation of the EU Directive on IPPC	31.9 (0.80 M€)				MoE SR	Planned implementation November 2002 – February 2005
Programme of waste management for hazardous waste		21.8 (0.55 M€)			MoE SR Carl Bro, Ecoas, Ekoconsult Chemcontrol DK	Implementation January 2003 – December 2005
Denmark – subtotal 77.40 (1.94 M€)						
Holland						
Programme Matra, PSO pre-accession–long-term						
Implementation of the Directive 96/82/EC (Seveso II) on industrial safety		13.28 (0.32 M€)			SEA, IVASO, DHV, Envi Consulting NL	Approved – 2002, Implementation 2003- 2005
Packaging and waste from packaging in Slovakia		15.68 (0.38 M€)			MoE SR SEA (COHEM), DHV, REP Prešov, Solid Waste Cons.,	Approved – 2002, Implementation 2003 - 2005
Introduction of the Framework Directive on water toward the integrated water management in the Hron River catchment		13.26 (0.34 M€)			MoE SR SWME , SHMI, WRI, Ameco NL	Approved in 2003 Implementation March 2005 – October 2006
Assessment of groundwater under the Framework Directive on water 2000/60/EC		11.54 (0.28 M€)			MoE SR, SHMI, SGI , WRI, Water sources of the SR, Royal Haskoning NL	Approved – 2003, Implementation 2004 - 2005
Institutional support of the Slovak pesticide programme		15.35 (0.37 M€)			MoE SR, WRI, SHMI TNO-MEP NL	Approved – 2003, Implementation 2004 - 2005
Improvement to monitoring of certain air pollutants in the SR		14,53 (0.35 M€)			MoE SR, SHMI, SMI, TNO-MEP NL	Approved – 2003, Implementation 2004 - 2005

SCHEME/DONOR:	2002	2003	2004	2005	Beneficiary/ co-author	Note:
PROGRAMMES OF PPA SHORT, PCB, MATRA-FLEX A PSO – SHORT-TERM						
Training of the SEA workers – envir. estimate and risk assessment of the chem. substances and biocides ...				N	SEA COHEM Holland, RIVM	Implementation August –December 2005
Creation of capacities within the State Nature Protection in the SR				1.29 (0.034 (0,034 M€)	NP Veľká Fatra Holland, RWS- RIZA	Implementation July - December 2005
GIS maps for the presentation of pressures and impacts				N	SWME, Holland, Delf Hydraulics	Implementation April-December 2005
Other Programmes						
Creation of the stable and free bison population in Slovakia		1.32 (0.033 M€)			NNP SR Holland-LHF	Intern. partner – Polish Academy of Sciences
Implementation of the Framework Water Management EU Directive in the Slovak water management arena				3.51 (0.090 M€)	SWME, Holland, Water Board Vallei en Eem, Leufden	Implementation June-December 2005
Matra Programme – Adept – training courses						
ISPA / KF environment		N	N	N	MoE SR	3+4+3 participants
How to act in Brussels			N	N	SEA, MoE SR	1+1 participant
Communication with the public				N	MoE SR	1 participant
Structural funds				N	MoE SR	1 participant
Holland – subtotal <i>89.76 (2.20 M€)</i>						
Germany						
Assessment of the biotope situation – in order to develop care programmes in 10 regions of NATURA 2000			1.58 (0.042 M€)		NNP SR Ministry of Environment of the Federal Republic of Germany	Implementation December 2004 – November 2005
Revitalisation of rivers in the district of Revúca			1.14 (0.030 M€)		NNP SR NP administration, Muránska plane Ministry of Environment of the Federal Republic of Germany	Implementation June 2004 – June 2006
Germany – subtotal <i>2.72 (0,072 M€)</i>						
Switzerland						
Projects of hospital waste incineration in Trnava and Čadca hospitals		90.09 (2.25 M€)			MoE SR, MoH SR, Energoprojekt Ltd., Ernst Basler	Implementation of the Čadca incineration facility – since 2004 + draft of agreement for Trnava since 2005
International framework agreement of 1993 – subtotal <i>90.09 (2.25 M€)</i>						
Flood Protection Programme in Slovakia						

SCHEME/DONOR:	2002	2003	2004	2005	Beneficiary/ co-author	Note:
Vyšný Tvarožec – polder on the Sveržovka brook			14.30 M€		SWME, s.e. Village of V. Tvarožec	Implementation June 2004 – June 2005
Frička – polder on the Kamenec brook			10.87 (0,25M€)		SWME, s.e. Village of Frička	Implementation June 2004 – June 2005
Flood Prevention Programme in Slovakia – subtotal					25.17 (0.57M€)	
SLOVAK-SWISS REVOLVING FUND						
Preparation of the management plan for the Slovak side of the Morava river (tri-lateral Ramsar site) – recovery of abandoned grasslands	0.83 (0.02M €)				National Nature Protection of the SR – Administration of the Záhorie PLA	Implementation June 2002 – December 2005
Information environmental system and environmental awareness	3.84 (0.1 M€)				SEA CEI	Approved in 2002, implementation April 2003-December 2005
Slovak-Swiss Revolving Fund – subtotal					4.67 (0.12 M€)	
Switzerland – total					119.93 (2.94 M€)	
Great Britain (GB)						
Environmental education made available for the handicapped			0.97 (0.02M€)		SEA Field Studies Council, GB	Multilateral project GB, SR, Italy, Latvia, Bulgaria, and Poland
Great Britain – total					0.97 (0.024M€)	
Bilateral programmes – total					299.97 (7.410M€)	

Source: MoE SR

Notes:

- Numbers show total value of international aid in mil. SKK, unless otherwise stated.
- Funds were calculated on the basis of the relevant NBS (National Bank of Slovakia) exchange rates – they are only informative.
- N – value of financial aid was not identified, expenses are not possible to calculate (participation in seminars and workshops of experts, etc.)
- Dark areas show the period of project's implementation
- Information on the amount of funding may be found under specific year of approval.

