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## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AL	Arable Land
AMS	Automated Monitoring Stations
AOT40	Accumulated Dose Over a Threshold of 40 ppb
AST	Agrochemical Soil Testing
ATaTI	Agriculture Technical and Testing Institute
BOD <sub>5</sub>	Biochemical Oxygen Demand
Bq	becquerel
BR	Biosphere Reserve
CCTIA	Central Controlling and Testing Institute in Agriculture
CHF	Swiss Franks
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna
CM	Cultural Monument
COD <sub>Cr</sub>	Chemical Oxygen Demand by Dichromate
COD <sub>Mn</sub>	Chemical Oxygen Demand by Permanganate
Coll.	Collection of Laws
CR	Critically Endangered Taxon
ČSFR	Czechoslovak Federative Republic
CU OP	Central Europe Operational Programme
D.U.	Dobson Units
DD	Data Deficient Taxon
DMC	Domestic Material Consumption
EAP	Environmental Action Programme
EC	European Commission / European Community
Ed	Endemic Taxon
EEA	European Environmental Agency
EEC	European Economic Community
EEC FM	European Economic Area Financial Mechanism
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EI	Energy Intensity
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ELC	European Landscape Convention
EMAS	Eco-Management and Audit Scheme
EMEP	European Monitoring and Evaluation Programme
EMS	Environmental Management System
EN	Endangered Taxon
EP	European Parliament
ERDF	European Regional Development Funds
EU	European Union
EUROSTAT	Statistical Office of the European Communities
EX	Extinct Taxon
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council
GBO	Global Biodiversity Outlook
GCCA SR	Geodesy Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GEIC	Gross Energy Inland Consumption
Gg	Greenhouse Gases / Giga Grams of CO <sub>2</sub>
GHGs	Greenhouse Gases
GMO	Genetically Modified Organisms
GPP	Green Public Procurement
ha	Hectare
Inc.	Incorporated
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IPI	Industrial Production Index
IS	Insoluble Substances

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ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IUCN	The International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
JAVYS, Inc.	Nuclear and Decommissioning Company, Inc.
KP	Kyoto Protocol
KURS 2001	The Conception of Spatial Development of Slovakia 2001
LA	Loaded Area
LR	Lower Risk Taxon
LRW FTF	Liquid RAW Final Treatment Facility
Ltd.	Limited corporation
LULUCF	Land Use-Land Use Change and Forestry
MaB	Man and the Biosphere Programme
MB SR	The Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic
MDA	Minimum Detectable Activity
MGF	Monitoring of Game, Wildlife, and Fishes
MoARD SR	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic
MoC SR	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic
MoE SR	Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic
MoTCaRD SR	Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic
MR	Monument Reserve
MW	Municipal Waste
NAP GPP	National Action Plan for Green Public Procurement
NC SR	National Council of the Slovak Republic
NCM	National Cultural Monument
NE	Not Evaluated Taxon
NES <sub>UV</sub>	Non-polar Extracting Substances
NFC	National Forest Centre
NFM	Norwegian Financial Mechanism
NM	Nature Monument
NM VOC	Non-Methane Volatile Organic Compounds
NNM	National Nature Monument
NNR	National Nature Reserve
No.	Number
NP	National Park
NPEHOV	National Programme of Environmental Assessment and Ecolabelling
NR	Nature Reserve
NRFB	Non-refundable Financial Benefit
NRWR	National Radioactive Waste Repository
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OP SEE	Operational Programme South-Eastern Europe
OPE	Operational Programme Environment
PA	Protected Area
PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
pcs	Pieces
PEFC	Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes
PG	Permanent Grassland
pH	Acidity in pH
PLA	Protected Landscape Area
PLF	Protected Landscape Fragment
PM <sub>10</sub>	Particulate Matter between 2.5 and 10 micrometers in size
PM <sub>2,5</sub>	Particulate Matter to 2.5 micrometers in size
PMA	Permanent Monitoring Areas
PMS	Partial Monitoring System
PMS-S	Partial Monitoring System - Soil
POPs	Persistent Organic Pollutants
PS	Protected Site
pSCI	Proposed Sites of Community Importance
pSPA	Proposed Special Protected Area
PZ	Protective Zone

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RAW	Radioactive Waste
SCI	Sites of Community Importance
SE, Inc.	Slovak Energy, Inc.
SEA	Slovak Environmental Agency
SEA	Strategic Impact Assessment
SFA	Slovak Fishing Association
SGI	Slovak Geological Institute of Dionyz Stur
SHMI	Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute
SK NACE	Revised classification of economic activities
SNC SR	State Nature Conservancy of the Slovak Republic
SNF	Spent Nuclear Fuel
SO SR	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic
SPA	Special Protected Area
SPM	Suspended Particulate Matter
SPP, Inc.	Slovak Gas Industry, Inc.
SR	Slovak Republic
SSCRI	Soil Science and Conservation Research Institute
SSPA	Small-size Protected Areas
TANAP	Tatras National Park
UN	United Nations
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC	UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
V4	Visegrad group (4 Central European Countries: Czech Rep., Slovakia, Hungary, Poland)
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
VU	Vulnerable Taxon
WEEE	Waste from Electrical and Electronic Equipment
WH	World Heritage
WWTP	Waste Water Treatment Plants

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**ABBREVIATIONS**