



EC FP6 Siberia-focused Enviro-RISKS Project and its Outcomes

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The FP6 Project “Man-induced Environmental Risks: Monitoring, Management and Remediation of Man-made Changes in Siberia” (Enviro-RISKS) strategic objective is to facilitate elaboration of solid scientific background and understanding of man-made associated environmental risks, their influence on all aspects of regional environment and optimal ways for its remediation by means of coordinated initiatives of a range of relevant RTD projects as well as to achieve their improved integration thus giving the projects additional synergy in current activities and potential for practical applications. List of Partners includes 3 leading European research organizations, 6 leading Russian research organizations (5 - located in Siberia) and 1 organization from Kazakhstan. Additionally several Russian and European research organizations joined to the Project as Associated Partners. Scientific background and foundation for the project performance is formed by a number of different levels RTD projects carried out by Partners and devoted to near all aspects of the theme. The set comprise coordinated/performed by partners EC funded thematic international projects, Russian national projects and other projects performed by NIS partners.

Project outcomes include, in particular, development and support of the bilingual Enviro-RISKS web portal (<http://risks.scert.ru/>) as the major tool for disseminations of environmental information and project results; achieved level of development of Siberia Integrated Regional Study (SIRS, <http://sirs.scert.ru/>), which is the Siberia-focused NEESPI Environmental Mega-Project ongoing under the auspices of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

The main Project outcome are Memorandum on the state of the art of environmental RTD activity in Siberia and Recommendations on future environmental RTD activity in Siberia elaborated by four Working Experts Groups working in most important for Siberia Thematic Focuses. Three Thematic Focuses/Groups consider major risks inherent to Siberia environment, while the forth Focus has a generic nature. These groups analyzed numerous RTD projects devoted Siberia environment and prepared Reports summarizing their findings. Focus groups Reports are published as a DMI Scientific Report:

Atmospheric Pollution and Risks (www.dmi.dk/dmi/sr08-05-1.pdf),
Climate/Global Change and Risks (www.dmi.dk/dmi/sr08-05-2.pdf), and
Terrestrial Ecosystems and Hydrology and Risks (www.dmi.dk/dmi/sr08-05-3.pdf).
Information Systems, Integration and Synthesis (www.dmi.dk/dmi/sr08-05-4.pdf).

The results obtained form a solid basis for organization of a coordinated set of the new projects on Siberia environment.