



## PROJECT INFORMATION

### Strengthening of the UNECE's Air Convention through integrated permits in Russia



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#### Background

At the 8th ministerial conference of the "Environment for Europe" process in Batumi (Georgia) from 8th to 10th of June 2016 the importance of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP) was highlighted. In order to strengthen the Convention and its protocols, the Batumi Action for Cleaner Air was launched. One contribution to this initiative will be to assist selected countries in the issuing of integrated permits for industrial installations based on Best Available Techniques (BAT). This will improve the conditions for the ratification of the protocols of the UNECE's Air Convention in these countries.

#### Project details

The Russian BAT-Bureau, located at the Federal State Autonomous Body of the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade's Research Institute «Environmental Industrial Policy Center», has approached the UBA with a request for advice. The project objective is to strengthen the knowledge and competences of Russian permitting authorities and plant operators in order to promote the application of BAT within the framework of an integrated permitting system. Russia is making great efforts to issue permits for industrial plants in the future based on BAT. The Russian BAT reference document (BREF) for large combustion plants was approved at the end of 2017 and will be the legal basis for permitting such power plants in Russia. On the basis of a power plant in the Moscow Region experts from the UBA and the German federal states will develop an exemplary integrated permit taking into account the given technical, organisational and legal aspects. For this aim, they are planning workshops with representatives of national and local authorities as well as the preparation of guidelines on integrated permitting and monitoring.

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Russian BAT-Bureau

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