



Global Eco-Industrial Parks Programme (GEIPP)

Resource efficient and cleaner production methods are important for a more sustainable and climate friendly way of production, but their broad deployment and effective use has yet to happen.

The tons and kilotons of resources saved and emissions avoided at enterprise level, still do not match the need to avoid these in terms of mega- and giga-tons. Therefore, approaches which foster a quicker and more widespread uptake of resource efficient and cleaner production methods and techniques are key.

Rationale

Working in more scalable models with groups of enterprises located in industrial parks provides a valuable starting point, along with greater emphasis for tailored advocacy and enabling policy for and supportive governance of resource efficient and cleaner production methods in the country. By targeting industrial parks, interventions at three levels of governance could be embedded, increasing chances for successful implementation: individual companies (micro), industrial parks management (meso) and local and central governments (macro).

Objectives and activities

The development objective of the Global Eco-Industrial Parks Programme (GEIPP) is to demonstrate the viability and benefits of greening industrial parks by improving resource productivity and economic, environmental and social performances of businesses and thereby contributing to inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the participating countries.

GEIPP focusses on contributing to the following outcomes:

- Eco-Industrial Parks (EIP) incentivised and mainstreamed in relevant policy and regulations leading to an increased role of EIP in environmental, industry and other relevant policies at the national levels in the participating Programme countries.

SECO country/region

Colombia, Egypt,
Indonesia, Peru, South
Africa Ukraine and
Vietnam

Executing agency

UNIDO

Duration

2019-2023

Total budget

CHF 17,125,000

SECO contribution

CHF 17,125,000



- EIP opportunities identified and implementation started, with environmental (e.g. resource productivity) economic and social benefits achieved by enterprises confirmed. The implementation of EIP opportunities by enterprises and other organisations will be supported by the EIP services providers, and will lead to reduction of the environmental footprint and operational and compliance costs of businesses, and an increase in their - natural - resource productivity.
- EIP tools developed, services delivery capacity enhanced and lessons learnt properly capturing and effectively exchanged. EIP tools developed and made applicable beyond the context of the individual parks or countries (via description how to apply tools locally).

Governance Structure

A GEIPP Steering Committee (GEIPP-SC) comprising UNIDO and SECO has been established and meets at least twice a year, once in Bern or Vienna and once virtually. The GEIPP-SC's main role is to provide strategic guidance and monitoring of progress towards established objectives and outcomes set out in GEIPP. To this end the GEIPP-SC invites reference persons, observers and/or project managers as deemed appropriate.

GEIPP is being implemented by UNIDO. UNIDO provides its input through the Industrial Resource Efficiency (IRE) Division of the Department of Environment of UNIDO in Vienna and its network of Regional and Country Offices.

For each specific recipient country with substantial activities during GEIPP period a country specific committee will be established, to provide guidance for the implementation of single country-specific interventions. The Country Steering Committee consists of representatives of SECO-office in the respective country, designated country programme manager for the country activities, and key country beneficiaries (Ministries and leading private sector agencies) and meets at least one month ahead of the scheduled GEIPP-SC to prepare an update of the progress of country performance.

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