

 Early Warning System

WB-P508568

**Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and Policy Development
Project**



Quick Facts

Countries	Ukraine
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2026-11-25
Borrower	Government of Ukraine - Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Economy and Environment
Sectors	Education and Health, Law and Government, Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 13.53 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 13.53 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the Project Development Objective is to strengthen the capacity of the Government of Ukraine to manage PCBs, mercury, and asbestos in line with good international industry practice.

The project supports the key priorities of the Government of Ukraine as outlined in the country's National Plan for Waste Management up to 2033. The challenges and priorities span strategic and policy agenda, strengthening of respective institutions charged with functions of hazardous waste management and the need for fast response to address immediate infrastructure gaps and pilot scalable solutions for testing, transport, storage, and disposal of hazardous waste.

The proposed Project's design consists of four components:

Component 1. Institutional capacity and policy development for HWM

- 1.1. Development of policy and regulations on hazardous waste in line with good international industry practice (GIIP) and EU acquis.
- 1.2. Building capacity in management and monitoring of hazardous waste across relevant institutions.

Component 2. Inventory, mapping and integrated planning for HWM

- 2.1. Stocktaking and Technical Support for Hazardous Waste Inventory.
- 2.2. Integrated planning of hazardous waste management.

Component 3. Demonstration investments for sustainable HWM

- 3.1. Equipping a national reference laboratory (in a priority region) outfitted with the necessary testing equipment.
- 3.2. Demonstration of safe PCB and mercury handling, transport and interim containment solutions.
- 3.3. Piloting of priority PCB and mercury remediation and disposal measures.

Component 4. Project management and monitoring.

This component will finance the operating costs of the oversight and management functions of the project.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The Environmental Risk of the project activities is **High**. All three components may have direct negative impacts on human health and natural environment due to the physical intervention of hazardous wastes like PCB, mercury, asbestos management. The exposure risk will be aggravated due to improper transportation, handling, storing, remediation and disposal.

Social Risk is **High**. Physical activities under Component 3, are expected to be pilot scale, including constructing small scale infrastructure, handling, storage, transport and operation of various treatment technologies at identified sites, for limited waste volumes, and therefore the number of project workers is limited. However, owing to the high toxicity of substances, there are potentially significant adverse health risk to workers' from exposure to toxic substances while executing these activities. In addition there is a potential exposure of surrounding communities to toxic substances from spills or transport accidents, or from leachate entering soil and groundwater, if the pilot activities fail to operate as designed or remediation activities under are partially or not successful. These risks may be enhanced by the current situation in Ukraine (potential aerial attacks on the construction site and unexploded ordnances, and limited implementation capacity of MEE.



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

Total Project Cost: US\$ 13.53 million

Global Environment Facility (GEF): US\$ 11.83 million

Ukraine Relief, Recovery, Reconstruction, and Reform TF: US\$ 8.70 million



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Bank Documents

- Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and P
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- Appraisal Project Information Document (PID)
- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and Pol
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- Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) - Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and Policy Dev
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- Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and Policy
- Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) - Ukraine: Hazardous Waste Management and Policy Development Proje
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