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## 2012 Report

### A basic information about organization

“Environmental Ambassadors for Sustainable Development “ is non-government and non-for-profit association having the expert, scientific, innovative, professional and social character, established for an unlimited period, with the intention of acting in the general interest of advancing, popularization and promotion of scientific research work, as well as in the public interest in the areas of sustainable development, environmental protection and education, and in other areas of implementation of the objectives, through the research, consultancy, expert analysis, innovation, education and promotion. The organs of the organization are: The Council (with elected President of the Council) and the President.

**Organization President** is Prof dr **Andjelka Mihajlov**, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development; PhD in Technical Sciences, Chemical Engineer. She has been acknowledged by UNEP in 2006 as the environmental leader of Western Balkan. Has a prominent role in leading the Reform Agenda of Serbia in Environmental Sector; she has been Serbian Minister for the Protection of Natural Resources and Environment from 2002 to 2004. Dr Andjelka Mihajlov, among others, was the head of Country (Yugoslavia) Delegation at the Johannesburg Summit in 2002, and 10 years later in Rio+20, she was the member of the Serbian delegation, as advisor.*

**President of the Council - Hristina Stevanovic Carapina**, PhD in Environmental Science, Environmental Engineer, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development*

#### Executive Directors:

- **Sandra Radunovic**, MSc, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development, Executive Director for The Program of Scientific, Innovative, Research and Professional Work in the fields of environment and sustainable development*
- **Milica Petrovic**, MSc, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development, Executive Director for The Program of Education for Environment and Sustainable Development*

#### Core team includes:

**Natasa Zugic-Drakulic**, Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Biomonitoring - Department of Geology, Engineer of Geology

**Dunja Prokic**, PhD in Environmental Science, Environmental Engineer



**Filip Jovanovic**, Economist, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development*, Executive Director of Centre of Expertise for Natural and Economic Resources

**Ana Puda**, MSc, biologist, *Environmental Ambassador for Sustainable Development*

**Predrag Simonovic**, Doctor of Biology (PhD), Fishery

### The aims and purpose of organization

The main activity is legally registered as “activities of professional associations”.

The Association also performs business activity in order to achieve the objectives: supporting educational activities.

“Environmental Ambassadors for Sustainable Development” develop and perform activities within the four Programs:

- The Program of Professional Representation in the fields of environment and sustainable development
- The Program of Scientific, Innovative, Research and Professional Work in the fields of environment and sustainable development
- The Program of Education for Environment and Sustainable Development
- The Program of the Expertise and Consulting in the fields of environment and sustainable development.

**The main objectives** include:

- Gathering and organizing of scientists and professional experts in the field of sustainable development and environment (environmental engineers, graduate biologists – ecologists, environmental analysts and analysts from other complementary and related professions) in order to achieve their interests, increase their professional knowledge, achieve an appropriate status both professional and in community, on the basis of their professional contribution in their respective fields;
- Development of mutual cooperation and cooperation with relevant international organizations of the same and similar professions; Development of all forms of successful cooperation with other professional organisations and associations in the interest of its members;
- Respect and promotion of the professional ethics, human rights and freedoms;
- Promotion of sustainable (harmonic economic, social and environmental) development as a commune bonnum and interest, by implementing expertise and the promotion of the sustainable development and implementation of projects – sustainable management of natural resources – environmental protection and biodiversity – eco-standardisation – participation in the work and cooperation with all kinds of institutions nationally and internationally, industrial and other associations and organisations;
- Education and training at all levels as the public interest (in the form of informal education and training, participation in formal education and training, as well as life-long-learning education and trainings);
- Organisation and implementation of eco-certification in cooperation with the competent authorities and organisations for issuing appropriate certificates in the field of assessment of fulfillment of international standards and programs relation to the environment and sustainable development;
- Awarding of appropriate rewards and recognitions for successful achievements in the field of sustainable development and environment;
- Affirmation and protection of fundamental values, interest and positions of sustainable



development and environment in the society through the promotion of human, professional, scientific and artistic aspects on environmental protection in all areas of profession.

### Selected **Activities**

2012

#### **Accredited for Rio+20; participate at 2012 UN Conference on Sustainable Development, as well as on side events**

Organization participated in preparation of *Study on Achievements and Perspectives towards a Green Economy and Sustainable Growth in Serbia*

<http://www.undp.org.rs/index.cfm?event=public.publicationsDetails&revid=67A9717E-972F-48CA-F5A05817E7074634>

The Study has been prepared to support the Government of Serbia in its preparations for the Rio+20 United Nations Conference on Sustainable development, which is being held in Brazil in June 2012.

Conducted **Ecological footprint: analysis and training**, project supported by UNESCO, organized 2012 Summer School in this subject

As a partner participated in the project **Eco-consumers**

Promote of science and regional cooperation through the development of the **international Eco-Schools program in Serbia**; promote other FEE programs in Serbia

**University in the Nature** - . *Environmental Ambassadors for sustainable development* through the Council of the project is actively involved. The Council was founded in September 2012 by the decision of the Council of the University of Belgrade.

Participate at the 4<sup>th</sup> **Western Balkan Civil Society Forum** was organized from 26-27 November 2012, in Zagreb, Croatia. The Western Balkan Civil Society Forum is a part of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) activities in the Western Balkans.

Participate on **European Resources Forum 2012** in Berlin on 12-13 November 2012.

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