


Subject: **2014 Progress Report – EASD (ENV.net Serbia Team¹) contribution**
Focus on *Economic Criteria* Chapter 27: Environment

Overall opinion:		
Issue of language:		
For 2013:		
Our verdict/proposal:		EC language/opinion:
NO PROGRESS		Little progress
<p>Consequently for 2014, our opinion is:</p> <p>“LESS THAN LITTLE PROGRESS” (NO PROGRESS)</p> <p>The main findings are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Negative consequences in environmental sector due to institutional no-continuity 2. Negative consequences in environmental sector due to (big) personal changes, in particular related EU integration/negotiation tasks 3. Implementation of environmental legislation, in many aspects, is “freeze”/“on hold”/ postponed 4. Financing of environmental sector is not planned, including financing of previously approved strategies (like NEAS) 5. Consequences of the abolishment of Environment Fund in 2012, with no substitution mechanism, are still unknown, but expected in medium term to be significant 6. Environmental CSOs have to improve their capacities and coordination in order to have stronger role in EU accession processes. 7. Noted problems in 2013 Progress Report remain 		

¹ ENV.net is abbreviation used for the Project “Development of the ENV.net in West Balkan and Turkey: giving citizens a voice to influence the environmental process reforms for closer EU integration”, EuropeAid/132438/ACT/MULTI Ref. 2012/306-642.
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