



## **“Sustainable Energy Days in Gori Municipality”**

27-28 June, 2013

24-28 June, 2013 Europe celebrated EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW 2013) campaign which was organized by European Commission's Directorate General for Energy, the European Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation, the European Institutions, major energy actors and private companies.

The aim of the campaign was to promote the development of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies and by this way to remind public at large on the renewable energy and energy efficiency potential for the mitigation of the global and local environmental, social and economic problems.

Recognizing the European values, the Union “Energy Efficiency Center Georgia” with partnership of Gori Municipality within project: Covenant of Mayors Capacity Building Model for Ukraine and Georgia: Model Solution for Eastern Partnership and Central Asian Countries” – CoM Model Project financed by European Commission join the European initiative to participate in EU Sustainable Energy Week 2013 by organizing Sustainable Energy Days in Gori Municipality.

On 27-28 June in Gori municipality held its first Sustainable Energy Days as a one of pilot cities within CoM project and Signatory City of Covenant of Mayors since 2012. First day event (27 June 2013) was divided into two parts consisted with indoor and outdoor activities.

On 27 June, 2013 in Gori State University was held youth conference devoted to issues of energy efficiency and renewable energy sources. At the beginning, the conference was opened with welcoming speech to the audience by director of Union “Energy Efficiency Center Georgia” - Mr. George Abulashvili and representative of Gori municipality Mr. Givi Khuroshvili

After welcoming speeches a schoolchildren of #6 and #9 public schools and members of Youth Civil Club of Gori City made various presentations about advantages of energy efficiency and/or renewable energy technologies for inhabitants, the model of future house in terms of energy consumption and energy efficiency and etc. On the conference the representative of students' self-governance of Gori State University made a presentation of “Green Boxes” aiming to collect used papers from administrative buildings for recycling throughout Gori town as well. At the end of the conference for audience was presented/showed a documentary film “HOME of Luc Besson & Yann Arthus-Bertrand” doubled in Georgian. For all participants of conference was delivered various promotional materials such as: T-shirts, caps, brochures, leaflets. All participants were awarded with relevant EUSEW certificates for participating in Energy Days in Gori municipality.



In addition in Gori State University was opened an exhibition devoted to sustainable energy days as well. The young artists of “Ana Peradze Art School” of Gori municipality exhibited various paintings in main hall of Gori State University. On the exhibition all students, lecturers, teachers had an opportunity to see paintings and being involved in the event. At the end of the exhibition all participants (authors of paintings) were awarded with memorable souvenirs T-shirts, caps and EUSEW certificates.





The second part of the day was devoted to outdoors activities held in front of Gori municipality building. Outdoor activities included rock climbing and street drawing actions. In the events were participated pupils and its parents, teachers from various public and art schools of Gori municipality. All participants were awarded with memorable souvenirs: T-shirts, caps and EUSEW certificates.



The Second day of Sustainable Energy Day in Gori municipality had more academic character as it was made a presentation of developed Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) for Gori municipality. The event was held at Gori municipality building. The SEAP presentation (*Annex 2: SEAP Presentation for Gori municipality*) was presented by SEAP consultant (Mrs. Medea Inashvili) hired by EECG within CoM project and was dedicated to the European Sustainable Energy Week. On the event were attended representatives of Gori municipality, Union "Energy Efficiency Center Georgia", key expert of CoMO East Office Tbilisi (Mrs. Kahtuna Sichinava) and Georgian Covenant Consultants. The next step of SEAP presentation will be submission of it to Gori municipal council for approval. The developed SEAP was sent to the Ukrainian colleagues for the comments.



All events were elucidated through the local media. For journalists was delivered press-releases and detailed agenda of 2-day events.

About all events planned in Gori town by EECG and Gori Municipality within CoM project was informed and invited EU Delegation to Georgia, various international and local non-governmental organizations, Georgian municipalities (Rustavi municipality), key expert of CoMO East Office Tbilisi, Georgian Covenant Consultants within CoM project, National Association of Local Authorities in Georgia (NALAG) - Covenant Supporter in Georgia and all other stakeholders.