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II

(Non-legislative acts)

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2016/602

of 23 March 2016

on the signing and conclusion of the Participation Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the participation of the Swiss Confederation in the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 37 thereof, in conjunction with Article 218(5) and (6) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 10(4) of Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ provides that detailed arrangements regarding the participation of third States are to be covered by agreements concluded in accordance with Article 37 of the Treaty on European Union.
- (2) On 7 December 2015, the Council adopted a Decision authorising the opening of negotiations for a Participation Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the participation of the Swiss Confederation in the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) ('the Agreement').
- (3) The Agreement should be approved,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Participation Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the participation of the Swiss Confederation in the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP of 22 July 2014 on the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) (OJ L 217, 23.7.2014, p. 42).

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Union.

Article 3

The President of the Council shall, on behalf of the Union, give the notification provided for in Article 9(1) of the Agreement.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 23 March 2016.

For the Council
The President
A.G. KOENDERS

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the participation of the Swiss Confederation in the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform in Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine)**

THE EUROPEAN UNION ('EU' or 'Union'),

of the one part, and

THE SWISS CONFEDERATION,

of the other part,

hereinafter referred to as the 'Parties',

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT

Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP of 22 July 2014 on the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) ⁽¹⁾,

Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2015/956 of 17 June 2015 on the establishment of the Committee of Contributors for the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) (EUAM Ukraine/1/2015) ⁽²⁾,

Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2015/1965 of 27 October 2015 on the acceptance of Switzerland's Contribution for the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) (EUAM Ukraine/4/2015) ⁽³⁾,

Agreement between the European Union and Ukraine on the status of the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) ⁽⁴⁾ (the 'Status of Mission Agreement'),

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1***Participation in the Mission**

1. The Swiss Confederation shall participate in the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine ('EUAM Ukraine') in accordance with Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP and any other Decision by which the Council of the European Union decides to extend EUAM Ukraine, as well as this Agreement and any required implementing arrangements under Article 6 of this Agreement.

2. The contribution of the Swiss Confederation to EUAM Ukraine is without prejudice to the decision-making autonomy of the Union. The Union shall inform the Swiss Confederation in due time of any change or amendment to EUAM Ukraine and in particular to the documents referred to in paragraph 3.

3. The Swiss Confederation shall ensure that Swiss personnel participating in EUAM Ukraine undertake their mission in conformity with:

— Decision 2014/486/CFSP and any subsequent amendments thereto;

⁽¹⁾ OJEU L 217, 23.7.2014, p. 42.

⁽²⁾ OJEU L 156, 20.6.2015, p. 21.

⁽³⁾ OJEU L 287, 31.10.2015, p. 67.

⁽⁴⁾ OJEU L 334, 21.11.2014, p. 3.

- The Mission Plan;
 - Implementing measures.
4. Personnel seconded to the Mission by the Swiss Confederation shall carry out their duties and conduct themselves solely with the interest of EUAM Ukraine in mind.
 5. The Swiss Confederation shall inform the Head of Mission in due time of any change to its participation in and contribution to the Mission.

Article 2

Status of personnel

1. The status of personnel contributed to EUAM Ukraine by the Swiss Confederation shall be governed by the Status of Mission Agreement.
2. Without prejudice to the Status of Mission Agreement, the Swiss Confederation shall exercise jurisdiction over its personnel participating in EUAM Ukraine.
3. The Swiss Confederation shall be responsible for answering any claims linked to the participation in EUAM Ukraine, from or concerning any of its personnel. The Swiss Confederation shall be responsible for bringing any action, in particular legal or disciplinary, against any of its personnel, in accordance with its laws and regulations.
4. The Parties agree to waive any and all claims, other than contractual claims, against each other for damage to, loss or destruction of assets owned or operated by either Party, arising out of the performance of their duties in connection with activities under this Agreement, except in the case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
5. The Swiss Confederation undertakes to make a declaration as regards the waiver of claims against any State participating in EUAM Ukraine, and to do so when signing this Agreement.
6. The Union undertakes to ensure that Member States make a declaration as regards the waiver of claims, for the participation of the Swiss Confederation in EUAM Ukraine, and to do so when signing this Agreement.

Article 3

Classified information

The Agreement between the Swiss Confederation and the European Union on the security procedures for the exchange of classified information ⁽¹⁾ shall apply in the context of EUAM Ukraine.

Article 4

Chain of command

1. Swiss personnel participating in EUAM Ukraine shall remain under the full command of their national authorities.
2. National authorities shall transfer the operational and tactical command of their personnel to the EU Civilian Operations Commander.
3. The EU Civilian Operations Commander shall assume responsibility for and exercise command and control of EUAM Ukraine at strategic level.
4. The Head of Mission shall assume responsibility for and exercise command and control of EUAM Ukraine.

⁽¹⁾ OJEU L 181, 10.7.2008, p. 58.

5. The Head of Mission shall lead EUAM Ukraine and assume its day-to-day management.
6. The Swiss Confederation shall have the same rights and obligations in terms of the day-to-day management of the Mission as participating EU Member States, in accordance with the legal instruments referred to in Article 1.
7. The Head of Mission shall be responsible for disciplinary control over EUAM Ukraine personnel. Where required, disciplinary action shall be taken by the competent Swiss national authority.
8. A National Contingent Point of Contact ('NPC') shall be appointed by the Swiss Confederation to represent its national contingent in EUAM Ukraine. The NPC shall report to the Head of Mission on national matters and shall be responsible for day-to-day contingent discipline.
9. The decision to end EUAM Ukraine shall be taken by the Union, following consultation with the Swiss Confederation, provided that the Swiss Confederation is still contributing to EUAM Ukraine at the date of the termination of EUAM Ukraine.
10. The EU Mission Commander may, following consultations with the Swiss Confederation, at any time request the withdrawal of the Swiss Confederation's contribution.

Article 5

Financial aspects

1. The Swiss Confederation shall assume all the costs associated with its participation in EUAM Ukraine, without prejudice to paragraph 3.
2. In case of death, injury, loss or damage to natural or legal persons from the State(s) in which the Mission is conducted, the Swiss Confederation shall, when its liability has been established, pay compensation under the conditions provided for in the Status of Mission Agreement.
3. The Union shall exempt the Swiss Confederation from any financial contribution to the operational budget of EUAM Ukraine.

Article 6

Arrangements to implement the Agreement

Any necessary technical and administrative arrangements in pursuance of the implementation of this Agreement shall be concluded between the appropriate authorities of the Parties.

Article 7

Non-compliance

Should one of the Parties fail to comply with its obligations under this Agreement, the other Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by serving notice of one month.

Article 8

Dispute settlement

Disputes concerning the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled by diplomatic means between the Parties.

*Article 9***Entry into force and termination**

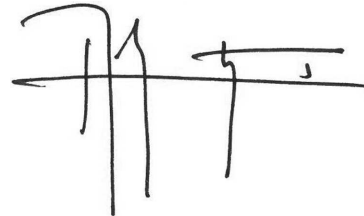
1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the first month after the Parties have notified each other of the completion of the internal procedures necessary for that purpose.
2. This Agreement shall be provisionally applied from the date of its signature.
3. This Agreement shall remain in force for the duration of the Swiss Confederation's contribution to the Mission.
4. Each Party may terminate this Agreement by written notification to the other Party. The termination becomes effective three months after the date of such notification.

Done at Brussels, in duplicate, in the English language on 13 April 2016.

For the European Union

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For the Swiss Confederation

A handwritten signature consisting of several vertical and horizontal strokes, including a prominent horizontal line across the middle.

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TEXT FOR DECLARATIONS

Text for the EU Member States:

The EU Member States applying Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP of 22 July 2014 on the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) will endeavour, in so far as their internal legal systems so permit, to waive, as far as possible, claims against the Swiss Confederation for injury, death of their personnel, or damage to, or loss of, any assets owned by themselves and used by EUAM Ukraine if such injury, death, damage or loss:

- was caused by personnel from the Swiss Confederation in the execution of their duties in connection with EUAM Ukraine, except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct; or
- arose from the use of any assets owned by the Swiss Confederation, provided that the assets were used in connection with the Mission and except in the case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct of EU Mission personnel from the Swiss Confederation using those assets.

Text for the Swiss Confederation:

The Swiss Confederation applying Council Decision 2014/486/CFSP of 22 July 2014 on the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine) will endeavour, insofar as its internal legal system so permits, to waive, as far as possible, claims against any other State participating in EUAM Ukraine for injury, death of its personnel, or damage to, or loss of, any assets owned by itself and used by the EU Mission if such injury, death, damage or loss:

- was caused by personnel in the execution of their duties in connection with EUAM Ukraine, except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct; or
 - arose from the use of any assets owned by States participating in the EU Mission, provided that the assets were used in connection with the Mission and except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct of EU Mission personnel using those assets.
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REGULATIONS

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/603

of 18 April 2016

implementing Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 of 23 March 2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran and repealing Regulation (EU) No 961/2010 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 46(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 23 March 2012, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 267/2012.
- (2) On 14 July 2015, China, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States, supported by the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, reached an agreement with Iran on a long-term comprehensive solution to the Iranian nuclear issue. The successful implementation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) will ensure the exclusively peaceful nature of the Iranian nuclear programme and provide for the comprehensive lifting of all nuclear-related sanctions.
- (3) On 20 July 2015, the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution (UNSCR) 2231 (2015) endorsing the JCPOA, urging its full implementation in accordance with the timetable established in the JCPOA and providing for actions to take place in accordance with the JCPOA.
- (4) The JCPOA, as endorsed by UNSCR 2231 (2015), provides in particular that the Union is to remove the restrictive measures in place against certain persons and entities on 'Transition Day' (18 October 2023), which is the date eight years after 'Adoption Day' (18 October 2015), or at an earlier moment on the basis of a report from the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to the IAEA Board of Governors and in parallel to the UN Security Council stating that the IAEA has concluded that all nuclear material in Iran remains in peaceful activities ('Broader Conclusion').
- (5) The Council has reviewed the statement of reasons concerning one entity which is to be subject to restrictive measures until Transition Day and decided that it should be supplemented.
- (6) The entry in the Annex to this Regulation should apply until 22 October 2016.
- (7) Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex IX to Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 88, 24.3.2012, p. 1.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 18 April 2016.

For the Council
The President
 F. MOGHERINI

ANNEX

The following entry is inserted in part I.B of Annex IX to Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 until 22 October 2016:

I. Persons and entities involved in nuclear or ballistic missile activities and persons and entities providing support to the Government of Iran.

B Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'7a. (*)	Bank Saderat Iran (including all branches) and subsidiaries:	Bank Saderat Tower, 43 Somayeh Ave, Tehran, Iran.	By handling letters of credit of Defence Industries Organisation (DIO) in March 2009, Bank Saderat violated the provisions of UNSCR 1737 which designated DIO and therefore required the freezing of its, and prohibited the making available to it of any, funds, financial assets and economic resources. By handling those letters of credit, Bank Saderat also assisted DIO in violating the prohibition contained in UNSCR 1747 on the procurement and the provision by Iran of any arms and related materiel.	
	(a) Bank Saderat PLC (London)	5 Lothbury, London, EC2R 7 HD, UK	100 % owned subsidiary of Bank Saderat	

(*) In accordance with Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/603, this entry shall apply until 22 October 2016.'

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/604**of 6 April 2016****entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications (Rosée des Pyrénées Catalanes (PGI))**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 52(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 50(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, Spain and France's application to register the name 'Rosée des Pyrénées Catalanes' was published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* ⁽²⁾.
- (2) As no statement of opposition under Article 51 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 has been received by the Commission, the name 'Rosée des Pyrénées Catalanes' should therefore be entered in the register,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The name 'Rosée des Pyrénées Catalanes' (PGI) is hereby entered in the register.

The name specified in the first paragraph denotes a product in Class 1.1. Fresh meat (and offal), as listed in Annex XI to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014 ⁽³⁾.*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 6 April 2016.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Phil HOGAN
Member of the Commission*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 14.12.2012, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 347, 20.10.2015, p. 19.

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014 of 13 June 2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs (OJ L 179, 19.6.2014, p. 36).

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/605**of 19 April 2016****opening and providing for the administration of a temporary tariff quota for olive oil originating in Tunisia and amending Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 187(a) to (e) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 1 of Regulation (EU) 2016/580 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾ opens, for 2016 and 2017, an annual duty free tariff quota of 35 000 tons for imports into the Union of virgin olive oil originating in Tunisia and falling within CN codes 1509 10 10 and 1509 10 90.
- (2) Article 3 of Protocol No 1 to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part ⁽³⁾ as amended by Article 3(1) of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union ⁽⁴⁾, approved by Council Decision 2005/720/EC ⁽⁵⁾, opens a tariff quota of 56 700 tons at a zero rate of duty for imports of olive oil falling within CN codes 1509 10 10 and 1509 10 90, wholly obtained in Tunisia and transported directly from there to the Union. The opening and administration of that tariff quota is provided for in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (3) For reasons of consistency, it is appropriate to administer the temporary tariff quota of 35 000 tons in the same manner as the permanent tariff quota of 56 700 tons.
- (4) Commission Regulations (EC) No 1345/2005 ⁽⁷⁾, (EC) No 1301/2006 ⁽⁸⁾ and (EC) No 376/2008 ⁽⁹⁾ should apply without prejudice to the additional conditions and derogations laid down in this Regulation.
- (5) Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 that establishes the notification and issuance requirements, the validity period of import licences and the amount of security, should apply, unless this Regulation provides otherwise.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2016/580 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 April 2016 on the introduction of emergency autonomous trade measures for the Republic of Tunisia (OJ L 102, 18.4.2016, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 97, 30.3.1998, p. 2. Agreement as last amended by Council Decision 2006/612/EC (OJ L 260, 21.9.2006, p. 1).

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 278, 21.10.2005, p. 3.

⁽⁵⁾ Council Decision 2005/720/EC of 20 September 2005 on the conclusion of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union (OJ L 278, 21.10.2005, p. 1).

⁽⁶⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 of 20 December 2006 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quota for olive oil originating in Tunisia (OJ L 365, 21.12.2006, p. 84).

⁽⁷⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 1345/2005 of 16 August 2005 laying down detailed rules for the application of the system of import licences for olive oil (OJ L 212, 17.8.2005, p. 13).

⁽⁸⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 1301/2006 of 31 August 2006 laying down common rules for the administration of import tariff quotas for agricultural products managed by a system of import licences (OJ L 238, 1.9.2006, p. 13).

⁽⁹⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 376/2008 of 23 April 2008 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance fixing certificates for agricultural products (OJ L 114, 26.4.2008, p. 3).

- (6) To give more flexibility to the operators as regards the use of the quotas for imports of virgin olive oil originating in Tunisia, the obligation to break down by CN code the notification should be abolished. Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Common Organisation of the Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulations (EC) No 1345/2005, (EC) No 1301/2006 and (EC) No 376/2008 and Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 shall apply, unless this Regulation provides otherwise.

Article 2

1. An annual duty free tariff quota, bearing order number No 09.4033 ('the temporary quota'), is opened, for 2016 and 2017, in relation to imports into the Union of virgin olive oil falling within CN codes 1509 10 10 and 1509 10 90, wholly obtained in Tunisia and transported directly from that country to the Union, subject to the conditions laid down in this Regulation. The volume of the temporary quota shall be 35 000 tons per year.
2. The temporary quota shall be made available only after the entire annual quota, bearing order number No 09.4032, provided for in Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 has been allocated.
3. The temporary quota shall be opened from 1 January each year. However, for the year 2016, the temporary quota shall be opened from the entry into force of this Regulation until 31 December 2016.

Article 3

Licence applications for the temporary quota shall be admissible from the first Monday or the first Tuesday following the entry into force of the implementing act suspending the lodging of applications for the quota bearing order number No 09.4032.

In respect of 2016, licence applications for the temporary quota shall be admissible from the first Monday or the first Tuesday following the entry into force of this Regulation.

Article 4

In Article 3(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006, the second sentence is deleted.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 April 2016.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/606**of 19 April 2016****closing the tendering procedure for the buying-in of skimmed milk powder under public intervention opened by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/482**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013 of 16 December 2013 determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/482 ⁽²⁾ opened a tendering procedure for the buying-in of skimmed milk powder as the quantitative limitation of 109 000 tonnes fixed in Article 3(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013 for the buying-in of skimmed milk powder at fixed price under public intervention had been exceeded.
- (2) The second subparagraph of Article 3(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013, as inserted by Council Regulation (EU) 2016/591 ⁽³⁾, has increased the quantitative limitations applicable for the buying-in of butter and skimmed milk powder at fixed price for the year 2016 as from 20 April 2016.
- (3) It is therefore appropriate to close the tendering procedure opened by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/482 and resume the buying-in of skimmed milk powder at fixed price under public intervention until the increased quantitative limitations are reached.
- (4) Since intervention agencies have to notify offerers swiftly following the publication of this Regulation of the closing of the tendering procedure, this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1***Closing of the tendering procedure**

The tendering procedure opened by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/482 is hereby closed.

*Article 2***Entry into force**This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.⁽¹⁾ OJ L 346, 20.12.2013, p. 12.⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/482 of 1 April 2016 closing intervention buying-in of skimmed milk powder at fixed price for the intervention period ending 30 September 2016 and opening the tendering procedure for buying-in (OJ L 87, 2.4.2016, p. 26).⁽³⁾ Council Regulation (EU) 2016/591 of 15 April 2016 amending Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013 determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, as regards applicable quantitative limitations for the buying-in of butter and skimmed milk powder (OJ L 103, 19.4.2016, p. 3).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 April 2016.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development*

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/607**of 19 April 2016****establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 136(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in Annex XVI, Part A thereto.
- (2) The standard import value is calculated each working day, in accordance with Article 136(1) of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011, taking into account variable daily data. Therefore this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 136 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 are fixed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 April 2016.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA*

Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 157, 15.6.2011, p. 1.

ANNEX

Standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)		
CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	IL	279,2
	MA	95,7
	SN	175,5
	TR	108,9
	ZZ	164,8
0707 00 05	MA	80,7
	TR	112,8
	ZZ	96,8
0709 93 10	MA	91,2
	TR	134,3
	ZZ	112,8
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0808 30 90	AR	101,3
	CL	134,3
	CN	86,4
	ZA	117,7
	ZZ	109,9

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EU) No 1106/2012 of 27 November 2012 implementing Regulation (EC) No 471/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to external trade with non-member countries, as regards the update of the nomenclature of countries and territories (OJ L 328, 28.11.2012, p. 7). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2016/608

of 18 April 2016

concerning the temporary reception by Member States of the European Union of certain Palestinians

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 and Article 31(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 5 March 2015, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2015/363 ⁽¹⁾ concerning the temporary reception by Member States of certain Palestinians which provided for an extension of the validity of their national permits for entry into, and stay in, the territory of the Member States referred to in Common Position 2002/400/CFSP ⁽²⁾ for a further period of 24 months.
- (2) On the basis of an evaluation of the application of Common Position 2002/400/CFSP, the Council considers it appropriate that the validity of those permits be extended for a further period of 24 months,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Member States referred to in Article 2 of Common Position 2002/400/CFSP shall extend the validity of national permits for entry and stay granted pursuant to Article 3 of the Common Position for a further period of 24 months, starting from 31 January 2016.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Luxembourg, 18 April 2016.

For the Council

The President

F. MOGHERINI

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/363 of 5 March 2015 concerning the temporary reception by Member States of the European Union of certain Palestinians (OJ L 62, 6.3.2015, p. 24).

⁽²⁾ Council Common Position 2002/400/CFSP of 21 May 2002 concerning the temporary reception by Member States of the European Union of certain Palestinians (OJ L 138, 28.5.2002, p. 33).

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2016/609
of 18 April 2016
amending Decision 2010/413/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Iran

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2010/413/CFSP of 26 July 2010 concerning restrictive measures against Iran and repealing Common Position 2007/140/CFSP ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 23 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 26 July 2010, the Council adopted Decision 2010/413/CFSP.
- (2) On 14 July 2015, China, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States, supported by the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, reached an agreement with Iran on a long-term comprehensive solution to the Iranian nuclear issue. The successful implementation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) will ensure the exclusively peaceful nature of the Iranian nuclear programme and provide for the comprehensive lifting of all nuclear-related sanctions.
- (3) On 20 July 2015, the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution (UNSCR) 2231 (2015) endorsing the JCPOA, urging its full implementation in accordance with the timetable established in the JCPOA and providing for actions to take place in accordance with the JCPOA.
- (4) The JCPOA, as endorsed by UNSCR 2231 (2015), provides in particular that the Union is to remove the restrictive measures in place against certain persons and entities on 'Transition Day' (18 October 2023), which is the date 8 years after 'Adoption Day' (18 October 2015), or at an earlier moment on the basis of a report from the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to the IAEA Board of Governors and in parallel to the UN Security Council stating that the IAEA has concluded that all nuclear material in Iran remains in peaceful activities ('Broader Conclusion').
- (5) The Council has reviewed the statement of reasons concerning one entity which is to be subject to restrictive measures until Transition Day and decided that it should be supplemented.
- (6) The entry in the Annex to this Decision should apply until 22 October 2016.
- (7) Decision 2010/413/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex II to Decision 2010/413/CFSP is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Luxembourg, 18 April 2016.

For the Council
The President
F. MOGHERINI

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 195, 27.7.2010, p. 39.

ANNEX

The following entry is inserted in part I.B of Annex II to Decision 2010/413/CFSP until 22 October 2016:

I. Persons and entities involved in nuclear or ballistic missile activities and persons and entities providing support to the Government of Iran.

B Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'7a. (*)	Bank Saderat Iran (including all branches) and subsidiaries:	Bank Saderat Tower, 43 Somayeh Ave, Tehran, Iran.	By handling letters of credit of Defence Industries Organisation (DIO) in March 2009, Bank Saderat violated the provisions of UNSCR 1737 which designated DIO and therefore required the freezing of its, and prohibited the making available to it of any, funds, financial assets and economic resources. By handling those letters of credit, Bank Saderat also assisted DIO in violating the prohibition contained in UNSCR 1747 on the procurement and the provision by Iran of any arms and related materiel.	
	(a) Bank Saderat PLC (London)	5 Lothbury, London, EC2R 7 HD, UK	100 % owned subsidiary of Bank Saderat	

(*) In accordance with Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/609, this entry shall apply until 22 October 2016.

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2016/610**of 19 April 2016****on a European Union CSDP Military Training Mission in the Central African Republic (EUTM RCA)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 28, Article 42(4) and Article 43(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) In its conclusions of 17 and 18 November 2014, the Council recognised the need for common approaches with the United Nations (UN) in the Central African Republic (CAR) in the reform of its security forces, including the armed forces, in order to stabilise the situation in support of the political process. In that regard, it acknowledged the added value of a potential further role for the Union in the reform of the security sector, in support of UN efforts, while ensuring local buy-in.
- (2) On 19 January 2015, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2015/78 ⁽¹⁾ on a European Union common security and defence policy (CSDP) Military Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUMAM RCA). The mandate of EUMAM RCA ends on 16 July 2016.
- (3) By letter dated 8 October 2015, the *Chef de l'État de la Transition* of the CAR invited the Union to further support the Central African Armed Forces (FACA) through a reinforced operational training structure in full collaboration with United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA).
- (4) On 17 November 2015, the Council applauded the EUMAM RCA's work to support the restructuring of the FACA and invited the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) to begin preparations for a mission to provide strategic advice and operational training, to be launched after the inauguration of the democratically elected authorities and in good time before the end of EUMAM RCA's mandate.
- (5) On 14 March 2016, the Council approved a Crisis Management Concept for a possible Union CSDP military training mission in the CAR.
- (6) By letter dated 30 March 2016, the President of the CAR invited the Union to deploy a Union CSDP military training mission in the CAR (EUTM RCA).
- (7) EUTM RCA should deploy as rapidly as possible to Full Operating Capability (FOC).
- (8) The Political and Security Committee (PSC) should exercise, under the responsibility of the Council and of the HR, political control over EUTM RCA, provide it with strategic direction and take the relevant decisions in accordance with the third paragraph of Article 38 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU).

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/78 of 19 January 2015 on a European Union CSDP Military Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUMAM RCA) (OJ L 13, 20.1.2015, p. 8).

- (9) It is necessary to negotiate and conclude international agreements relating to the status of EU-led units and personnel and to the participation of third States in Union missions.
- (10) Pursuant to Article 41(2) TEU and in accordance with Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/528 ⁽¹⁾, the operational expenditure arising from this Decision, which has military or defence implications, is to be borne by the Member States.
- (11) In accordance with Article 5 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark annexed to the TEU and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), Denmark does not participate in the elaboration and implementation of decisions and actions of the Union which have defence implications. Consequently, Denmark is not participating in the adoption of this Decision, is neither bound by it nor subject to its application, and does not participate in the financing of this mission,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Mission

1. The Union shall conduct a CSDP Military Training Mission in the Central African Republic (EUTM RCA) in order to contribute to the Defence Sector Reform in the CAR within the Central African Security Sector Reform process coordinated by MINUSCA.
2. Working towards the goal of modernised, effective and democratically accountable Central African Armed Forces (FACA), EUTM RCA shall provide:
 - (a) strategic advice to CAR's Ministry of Defence, Military Staff and Armed Forces;
 - (b) education to the FACA's commissioned and non-commissioned officers;
 - (c) training to the FACA.
3. EUTM RCA shall provide within its means and capabilities military, security and rule-of-law expertise to the Union delegation to the Central African Republic.
4. EUTM RCA shall liaise with MINUSCA with a view to ensuring the coherence between the Security Sector Reform process and the deployment of trained FACA elements.
5. EUTM RCA shall operate in accordance with the political and strategic objectives set out in the Crisis Management Concept approved by the Council on 14 March 2016.

Article 2

Appointment of the EU Mission Commander

1. Brigadier General Eric HAUTECLOQUE-RAYSZ is hereby appointed EU Mission Commander of EUTM RCA ('the EU Mission Commander').
2. The EU Mission Commander shall exercise the functions of EU Operation Commander and EU Force Commander.

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/528 of 27 March 2015 establishing a mechanism to administer the financing of the common costs of European Union operations having military or defence implications (Athena) and repealing Decision 2011/871/CFSP (OJ L 84, 28.3.2015, p. 39).

*Article 3***Designation of the Mission Headquarters**

1. The Mission Headquarters of EUTM RCA shall be located in Bangui, CAR. It shall perform the functions of both Operational Headquarters and Force Headquarters.
2. The Mission Headquarters of EUTM RCA shall include a support cell in Brussels.

*Article 4***Planning and launch of EUTM RCA**

1. The Rules of Engagement applicable to EUMAM RCA shall be applicable to EUTM RCA in its planning phase in the Bangui province.
2. EUTM RCA shall be launched by a Council Decision on the date recommended by the EU Mission Commander following approval of the Mission Plan and of the Rules of Engagement.

*Article 5***Political control and strategic direction**

1. Under the responsibility of the Council and of the HR, the PSC shall exercise the political control and strategic direction of EUTM RCA. The Council hereby authorises the PSC to take the relevant decisions in accordance with Article 38 TEU. This authorisation shall include the powers to amend the planning documents, including the Mission Plan and the Rules of Engagement. It shall also include the powers to take decisions on the appointment of subsequent EU Mission Commanders. The powers of decision with respect to the objectives, scope and the termination of EUTM RCA, as well as the general conditions for the implementation of its tasks, shall remain vested in the Council.
2. The PSC shall report to the Council at regular intervals.
3. The PSC shall, at regular intervals, receive reports from the chairman of the EU Military Committee (EUMC) regarding the conduct of EUTM RCA. The PSC may invite the EU Mission Commander to its meetings, as appropriate.

*Article 6***Military direction**

1. The EUMC shall monitor the proper execution of EUTM RCA conducted under the responsibility of the EU Mission Commander.
2. The EUMC shall, at regular intervals, receive reports from the EU Mission Commander. It may invite the EU Mission Commander to its meetings, as appropriate.
3. The chairman of the EUMC shall act as the primary point of contact with the EU Mission Commander.

*Article 7***Consistency of the Union's response and coordination**

1. The HR shall ensure the implementation of this Decision and its consistency with the Union's external action as a whole, including the Union's development programmes and its humanitarian assistance.
2. Without prejudice to the chain of command, the EU Mission Commander shall receive local political guidance from the Head of the Union delegation to the Central African Republic.

3. The HR, assisted by the European External Action Service (EEAS), shall act as the primary point of contact with the UN, the CAR authorities and neighbouring countries, the African Union (AU), the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS), as well as with other relevant international and bilateral actors.

4. The coordination arrangements between the EU Mission Commander, the Union actors and local key strategic partners relevant to the operation shall be defined in the Mission Plan.

Article 8

Participation by third States

1. Without prejudice to the Union's decision-making autonomy and its single institutional framework, and in accordance with the relevant guidelines of the European Council, third States may be invited to participate in EUTM RCA.

2. The Council hereby authorises the PSC to invite third States to offer contributions and to take the relevant decisions on the acceptance of proposed contributions, upon the recommendation of the EU Mission Commander and the EUMC.

3. Detailed arrangements for the participation by third States shall be the subject of agreements concluded pursuant to Article 37 TEU and in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 218 TFEU. Where the Union and a third State have concluded an agreement establishing a framework for the latter's participation in crisis management missions of the Union, the provisions of such an agreement shall apply in the context of EUTM RCA.

4. Third States making significant military contributions to EUTM RCA shall have the same rights and obligations in terms of the day-to-day management of EUTM RCA as Member States taking part in EUTM RCA.

5. The Council hereby authorises the PSC to take relevant decisions on the setting up of a Committee of Contributors should third States provide significant military contributions.

Article 9

Status of EU-led personnel

The status of EU-led units and personnel, including the privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the fulfilment and smooth functioning of their mission, shall be the subject of an agreement concluded pursuant to Article 37 TEU and in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 218 TFEU.

Article 10

Financial arrangements

1. The common costs of EUTM RCA shall be administered in accordance with Decision (CFSP) 2015/528.

2. The financial reference amount for the common costs of EUTM RCA shall be EUR 18 180 000. The percentage of the reference amount referred to in Article 25(1) of Decision (CFSP) 2015/528 shall be 15 % and the percentage referred to in Article 34(3) of that Decision shall be 60 % for commitment and 15 % for payment.

*Article 11***Project cell**

1. EUTM RCA shall have a project cell for identifying and implementing projects, to be financed by the Union, Member States or third States, which are consistent with its objectives and contribute to the delivery of the mandate.
2. Athena may manage the financial contributions linked to the projects referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article in accordance with Article 30 of Decision (CFSP) 2015/528.
3. Under no circumstances shall the Union or the HR be held liable by contributing States for acts or omissions by EUTM RCA in the use of the funds provided by those States.

*Article 12***Release of information**

1. The HR shall be authorised to release to the third States associated with this Decision, as appropriate and in accordance with the needs of EUTM RCA, EU classified information generated for the purposes of EUTM RCA, in accordance with Council Decision 2013/488/EU ⁽¹⁾, as follows:
 - (a) up to the level provided in the applicable Security of Information Agreements concluded between the Union and the third State concerned; or
 - (b) up to 'CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL' level in other cases.
2. The HR shall also be authorised to release to the UN and the AU, in accordance with the operational needs of EUTM RCA, EU classified information up to 'RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED' level which is generated for the purposes of EUTM RCA, in accordance with Decision 2013/488/EU. Arrangements between the HR and the competent authorities of the UN and the AU shall be drawn up for that purpose.
3. In the event of a specific and immediate operational need, the HR shall also be authorised to release to the host State any EU classified information up to 'RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED' level which is generated for the purposes of EUTM RCA, in accordance with Decision 2013/488/EU. Arrangements between the HR and the competent authorities of the host State shall be drawn up for that purpose.
4. The HR shall be authorised to release to the third States associated with this Decision any EU non-classified documents connected with the deliberations of the Council relating to EUTM RCA and covered by the obligation of professional secrecy pursuant to Article 6(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure ⁽²⁾.
5. The HR may delegate such authorisations, as well as the ability to conclude the arrangements referred to in this Article, to EEAS officials and/or to the EU Mission Commander.

*Article 13***Entry into force and termination**

1. This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.
2. EUTM RCA shall end 24 months after having reached FOC.

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2013/488/EU of 23 September 2013 on the security rules for protecting EU classified information (OJ L 274, 15.10.2013, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure (OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35).

3. This Decision shall be repealed as from the date of closure of the Mission Headquarters of EUTM RCA in accordance with the plans approved for the termination of EUTM RCA, and without prejudice to the procedures regarding the audit and presentation of the accounts of EUTM RCA, as laid down in Decision (CFSP) 2015/528.

Done at Luxembourg, 19 April 2016.

For the Council

The President

F. MOGHERINI

COMMISSION DECISION (EU) 2016/611**of 15 April 2016****on the reference document on best environmental management practice, sector environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence for the tourism sector under Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS)***(notified under document C(2016) 2137)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS), repealing Regulation (EC) No 761/2001 and Commission Decisions 2001/681/EC and 2006/193/EC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 46(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 establishes an obligation for the Commission to develop sectoral reference documents for specific economic sectors in consultation with Member States and other stakeholders. These sectoral reference documents are necessary to help organisations to better focus on the most important environmental aspects in a given sector and allow evaluating, reporting and improving the organisations' environmental performance. They must include best environmental management practice, environmental performance indicators and, where appropriate, benchmarks of excellence and rating systems identifying environmental performance levels in those sectors.
- (2) 'Communication from the Commission — Establishment of the working plan setting out an indicative list of sectors for the adoption of sectoral and cross-sectoral reference documents, under Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 on the voluntary participation of organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS)' ⁽²⁾ sets out a working plan and an indicative list of priority sectors for the adoption of sectoral and cross-sectoral reference documents, including the tourism sector.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established pursuant to Article 49 of Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The sectoral reference document on best environmental management practice, sector environmental performance indicators, and benchmarks of excellence for the tourism sector is set out in the Annex.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 342, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 358, 8.12.2011, p. 2.

Article 2

EMAS-registered organisations in the tourism sector shall take this sectoral reference document into account and should therefore:

- use relevant elements of the sectoral reference document when developing and implementing their environmental management system in light of the Environmental Reviews,
- demonstrate in their environmental statements how the relevant sector-specific Environmental Performance Indicators, the Best Environmental Management Practices and Benchmarks of Excellence described in the sectoral reference document have been used to identify measures and actions, and possibly to set priorities, for improving their environmental performance.

Article 3

Meeting the benchmarks of excellence identified in the sectoral reference document is not mandatory for EMAS-registered organisations since the voluntary character of EMAS leaves the assessment of the feasibility of the benchmarks, in terms of costs and benefits, to the organisations themselves.

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 April 2016.

For the Commission
Karmenu VELLA
Member of the Commission

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document is a Sectoral Reference Document (SRD) established according to Article 46 of Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) ⁽¹⁾. With a view to facilitating the understanding of this SRD, this introduction provides an outline of its legal background and its use.

The SRD is based on a detailed scientific and policy report ⁽²⁾ ('Best Practice Report') developed by the Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (IPTS), one of the seven institutes of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC).

Relevant legal background

The Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) was introduced in 1993, for voluntary participation by organisations, by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1836/93 ⁽³⁾. Subsequently, EMAS has undergone two major revisions:

- Regulation (EC) No 761/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁴⁾,
- Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 342, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ The scientific and policy report is publicly available on the JRC/IPTS website at the following address: <http://susproc.jrc.ec.europa.eu/activities/emas/documents/TourismBEMP.pdf>. The conclusions on best environmental management practices and their applicability as well as the identified specific environmental performance indicators and the benchmarks of excellence contained in this Sectoral Reference Document are based on the findings documented in the scientific and policy report. All the background information and technical details can be found there.

⁽³⁾ Council Regulation (EEC) No 1836/93 of 29 June 1993 allowing voluntary participation by companies in the industrial sector in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (OJ L 168, 10.7.1993, p. 1).

⁽⁴⁾ Regulation (EC) No 761/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2001 allowing voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) (OJ L 114, 24.4.2001, p. 1).

An important new element of the latest revision, which came into force on 11 January 2010, is Article 46 on the development of Sectoral Reference Documents (SRDs). The SRDs have to include Best Environmental Management Practices (BEMPs), Environmental Performance Indicators for specific sectors and, where appropriate, Benchmarks of Excellence and rating systems identifying performance levels.

How to understand and use this document

The eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) is a scheme for voluntary participation by organisations committed to continuous environmental improvement. Within this framework, this Sectoral Reference Document (SRD) provides sector-specific guidance to the tourism sector and points out a number of options for improvement as well as best practices.

The document was written by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre using input from stakeholders. A Technical Working Group, comprising experts and stakeholders of the sector, led by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre, discussed and ultimately agreed on the Best Environmental Management Practices, sector-specific Environmental Performance Indicators and Benchmarks of Excellence described in this document; these benchmarks in particular were deemed to be representative of the levels of environmental performance that are achieved by the best performing organisations in the sector.

The SRD aims to help and support all organisations that intend to improve their environmental performance by providing ideas and inspiration as well as practical and technical guidance.

This SRD is primarily addressed to organisations that are already registered with EMAS; secondly to organisations that are considering registering with EMAS in the future; and thirdly to all organisations that wish to learn more about best environmental management practices in order to improve their environmental performance. Consequently, the objective of this document is to support all organisations and actors in the tourism sector to focus on relevant environmental aspects, both direct and indirect, and to find information on Best Practices, appropriate sector-specific Environmental Performance Indicators to measure their environmental performance, and Benchmarks of Excellence.

How SRDs should be taken into account by EMAS registered organisations:

According to Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009, EMAS registered organisations shall take SRDs into account at two different levels:

- (1) When developing and implementing their environmental management system in light of the Environmental Reviews (*Article 4.1b*);

This means that organisations should use relevant elements of the SRD when defining and reviewing their environmental targets and objectives in accordance with the relevant environmental aspects identified in the Environmental Review and policy, as well as when deciding on the actions to implement to improve their environmental performance.

- (2) When preparing the Environmental Statement (*Article 4.1d and Article 4.4*).

This means that:

- (a) Organisations should consider the relevant sector-specific Environmental Performance Indicators in the SRD when choosing the indicators ⁽¹⁾ to use for their reporting of environmental performance.

⁽¹⁾ According to Annex IV (B.e.) of the EMAS Regulation, the environmental statement shall contain 'a summary of the data available on the performance of the organisation against its environmental objectives and targets with respect to its significant environmental impacts. Reporting shall be on the core indicators and on other relevant existing environmental performance indicators as set out in Section C'. Annex IV — Section C states that 'each organisation shall also report annually on its performance relating to the more specific environmental aspects as identified in its environmental statement and, where available, take account of sectoral reference documents as referred to in Article 46'.

When choosing the set of indicators for reporting, they should take into account the indicators proposed in the corresponding SRD and their relevance with regards to the significant environmental aspects identified by the organisation in its Environmental Review. Indicators need only be taken into account if relevant to those environmental aspects that are judged as being most significant in the Environmental Review.

- (b) Organisations should mention in the Environmental Statement how the relevant Best Environmental Management Practices and, if available, Benchmarks of Excellence, have been taken into account.

They should describe how relevant Best Environmental Management Practices and Benchmarks of Excellence (which provide an indication of the environmental performance level that is achieved by best performers) were used to identify measures and actions, and possibly to set priorities, to (further) improve their environmental performance. However, implementing Best Environmental Management Practices or meeting the identified Benchmarks of Excellence is not mandatory, because the voluntary character of EMAS leaves the assessment of the feasibility of the benchmarks and of the implementation of the best practices, in terms of costs and benefits, to the organisations themselves.

Similarly to Environmental Performance Indicators, the relevance and applicability of the Best Environmental Management Practices and Benchmarks of Excellence should be assessed by the organisation according to the significant environmental aspects identified by the organisation in its Environmental Review, as well as technical and financial aspects.

Elements of SRDs (indicators, BEMPs or Benchmark of Excellence) not considered relevant with regards to the significant environmental aspects identified by the organisation in its Environmental Review should not be reported or described in the environmental statement.

EMAS participation is an ongoing process. This means that every time an organisation plans to improve its environmental performance (and reviews its environmental performance) it shall consult the SRD on specific topics to find inspiration about which issues to tackle next in a step-wise approach.

EMAS environmental verifiers shall check if and how the SRD was taken into account by the organisation when preparing its Environmental Statement (Article 18(5)(d) of Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009).

This means that, when undertaking an audit, accredited environmental verifiers will need evidence from the organisation of how the relevant elements of the SRD have been selected in light of the Environmental Reviews and taken into account. They shall not check compliance with the described benchmarks of excellence, but they shall verify evidence on how the SRD was used as a guide to identify indicators and proper voluntary measures that the organisation can implement to improve its environmental performance.

Given the voluntary nature of EMAS and SRD, no disproportionate burdens should be put on the organisations to provide such evidence. In particular, verifiers shall not require an individual justification for each of the best practices, sector-specific Environmental Performance Indicators and Benchmarks of Excellence which are mentioned in the SRD and not considered relevant by the organisation in light of its Environmental Review. Nevertheless, they could suggest relevant additional elements for the organisation to take into account in the future as further evidence of its commitment to continuous performance improvement.

Structure of the sectoral reference document

This document consists of four chapters. Chapter 1 introduces EMAS' legal background and describes how to use this document, while Chapter 2 defines the scope of this SRD. Chapter 3 briefly describes the different Best Environmental Management Practices (BEMPs) together with information on their applicability, in general as well as at SME level. When specific Environmental Performance Indicators and Benchmarks of Excellence could be formulated for a particular BEMP, these are also given. Some of the indicators and benchmarks are relevant for more than one BEMP and are thus repeated whenever appropriate.

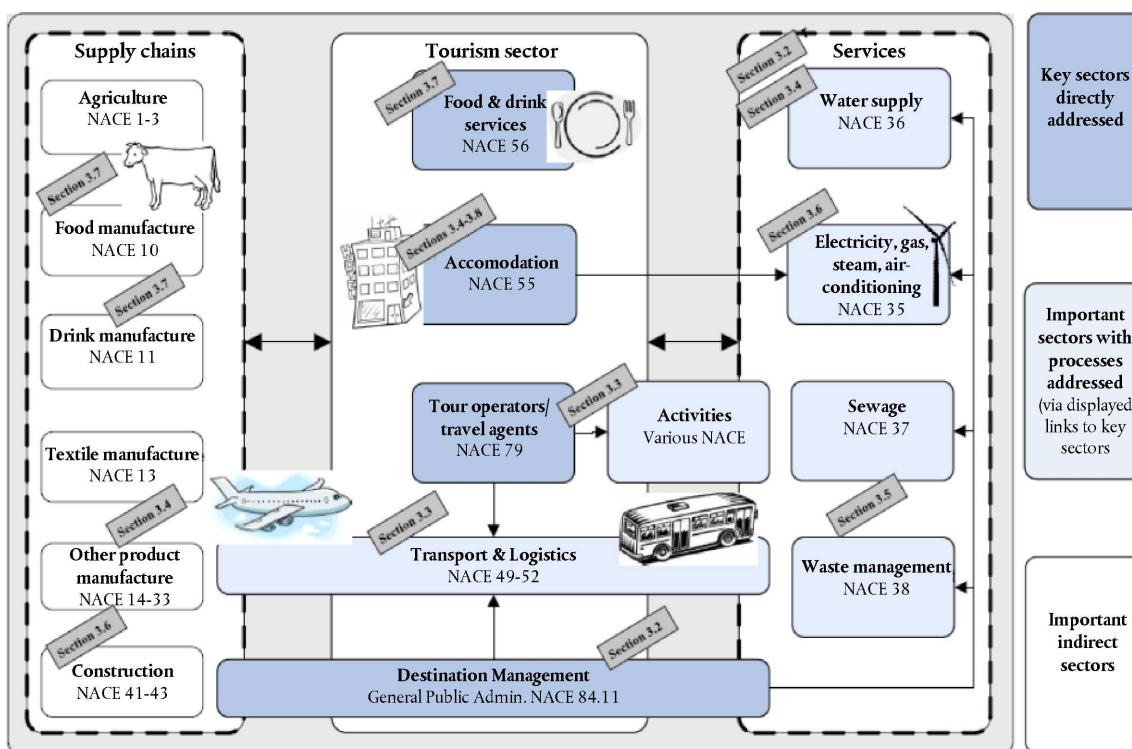
Finally, Chapter 4 presents a comprehensive table with a selection of the most relevant Environmental Performance Indicators, associated explanations and related Benchmarks of Excellence.

2. SCOPE

This document addresses some of the activities specified in section I 55-56 'Accommodation and Food Service Activities', section N 79 'Travel agency, tour operator reservation service and related activities' and section O 84.11 'General Public Administration Activities' of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾ (NACE Rev.2).

This sectoral reference document (SRD) primarily covers Best Environmental Management Practices within organisations that provide accommodation, food and beverage services, or that manage tourism destinations or offer and reserve travel, accommodation or activities for tourism (travel agents and tour operators) ⁽²⁾. Companies providing tourist accommodation services and campsite services are also invited to consult the relevant provisions of the EU Ecolabel ⁽³⁾. Destination managers may also refer to other EU initiatives promoting sustainable tourism management, such as, among others, the European Tourism Indicators System (ETIS) ⁽⁴⁾.

The actors mentioned above are interlinked with a variety of other sectors as portrayed in the tourism value chain diagram below. In terms of tourism as a product, the activities that a tourist participates in whilst on holiday are also an important part of the tourism value chain, and are of potential environmental interest. However, they are only referred to in this SRD insofar as they may be influenced by destination managers and tour operators.



Overview of the tourism sector value chain

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 establishing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2 and amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 as well as certain EC Regulations on specific statistical domains (OJ L 393, 30.12.2006, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ This document does not directly target the cruise sector. However, a number of the BEMPs described may, to a certain extent, be also applicable to cruises.

⁽³⁾ <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/ecolabel/products-groups-and-criteria.html>

⁽⁴⁾ ETIS is a management and information toolkit, designed for helping destination in monitoring and measuring their sustainable tourism performances, against their own target. Further information is available at: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/tourism/offer/sustainable/indicators/index_en.htm

The main environmental aspects and associated environmental pressures arising from tourism services are presented in the table below. These environmental aspects were selected as the most relevant in the sector. However, the environmental aspects to be managed by specific organisations should be assessed on a case by case basis.

Activities in tourism organisations (hotels, campsites, restaurants and tour operators) and associated environmental aspects and pressures

Service/Activity	Main environmental aspects	Main environmental pressures
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Office management — Reception of clients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy, water and material (mainly paper) consumption — Generation of municipal waste (large amounts of paper) and hazardous waste (e.g. toner cartridges)
Technical services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Production of hot water and space heating/cooling — Lighting — Elevators — Swimming pools — Green areas — Pest and rodent control — Repair and maintenance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy and water consumption — Consumption of a range of hazardous products — In some cases use of CFC and HCFC refrigerants (!). — Emissions to air (air pollutants, greenhouse gases) — Generation of a wide range of potentially hazardous waste types such as empty chemical containers — Generation of waste water
Restaurant/bar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Breakfast, dinner, lunch — Beverages and snacks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Supply chain pressures (see 'Purchasing') — Energy, water and raw material consumption — Generation of municipal waste (especially food waste and packaging waste)
Kitchen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Food conservation — Food preparation — Dish washing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Supply chain pressures (see 'Purchasing') — Significant consumption of energy and water — Generation of municipal waste (especially food waste and packaging waste) — Generation of vegetable oil waste — Generation of odours
Room use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Use by guests — Products for guests' use — Housekeeping 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy, water and raw materials consumption — Use of a wide range of hazardous products — Generation of waste packaging and small amounts of municipal waste — Generation of waste water
Laundry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Washing and ironing of guests' clothes — Washing and ironing of towel, bed-clothes, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Significant consumption of energy and water — Use of hazardous products — Generation of waste water

Service/Activity	Main environmental aspects	Main environmental pressures
Purchasing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Selection of products and suppliers — Storage of products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Supply chain pressures (land occupation, degradation or destruction of ecosystems, disturbance of wildlife, energy and water consumption, emissions to air — air pollutants and greenhouse gases —, emissions to water, waste generation) — Generation of packaging waste — Hazardous substance leakages
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Indoor activities — Outdoor activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy, water and raw materials consumption — Local impacts on ecosystems — Noise — Generation of municipal waste — Infrastructure pressures (see 'Building and construction')
Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Transport of guests — Transport of employees — Transport by suppliers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy (fuel) consumption — Emissions to air — Infrastructure pressures (see 'Building and construction')
Additional services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Medical services, supermarkets, souvenir shops, spa and wellness, hairdresser, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Energy, water and raw materials consumption — Generation of municipal waste, and some specific hazardous waste types (e.g. sanitary waste)
Building and construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Construction of new areas or services — Repair of existing areas or services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Land occupation — Degradation or destruction of ecosystems — Disturbance of wildlife — Energy and water consumption — Significant consumption of raw materials and hazardous products — Significant generation of construction waste — Generation of hazardous waste

(¹) CFC and HCFC stand for chlorofluorocarbon and hydrochlorofluorocarbon.

The Best Environmental Management Practices (BEMPs) presented in this SRD are grouped as follows:

- BEMPs to improve cross-cutting issues in the tourism sector,
- BEMPs to improve destination management (¹),
- BEMPs to improve tour operators' and travel agents' activities,
- BEMPs to minimise water consumption in accommodation facilities,

(¹) Destination management is the coordination of all relevant government and private actors, usually by a public body with or without private participation, aimed at supporting tourism development in a destination by making strategic decisions, implementing policy actions, maintaining and promoting cultural and natural heritage and attractions, coordinating events/festivals, raising revenue for tourism-related projects, facilitating cooperation between businesses, ensuring infrastructure and service provisions...

- BEMPs to minimise waste production from accommodation facilities,
- BEMPs to minimise energy consumption in accommodation facilities,
- BEMPs to improve restaurant and hotel kitchens,
- BEMPs to improve campsites.

The BEMPs cover the most significant environmental aspects of the sector.

3. BEST ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, SECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND BENCHMARKS OF EXCELLENCE FOR THE TOURISM SECTOR

3.1. Cross-cutting issues

3.1.1. Environmental management system implementation

BEMP is to undertake an assessment of the most important direct and indirect environmental aspects associated with the organisation, and to apply relevant performance indicators and compare with relevant benchmarks of excellence.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all tourism actors, including destination managers, tour operators, accommodation providers, food and drink providers, transport operators and activity providers. This BEMP is also fully applicable to **small enterprises** ⁽¹⁾.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i1) Implementation of an environmental management system (y/n)	(b1) Appropriate indicators are used to continuously monitor all relevant aspects of environmental performance, including less easily measurable and indirect aspects such as biodiversity impacts. (b2) All staff are provided with information on environmental objectives and training on relevant environmental management actions. (b3) Best environmental management practices are implemented where applicable.

3.1.2. Supply chain management

BEMP is to screen supply chains for products and services used by the organisation in order to identify supply chain environmental hotspots, considering the entire value chain, and to identify relevant control points (e.g. product selection, avoidance, green procurement, supplier criteria) that can be used to minimise the environmental impact over the whole value chain.

⁽¹⁾ A small enterprise is defined as an enterprise which employs fewer than 50 persons and whose annual turnover and/or annual balance sheet total does not exceed EUR 10 million (Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC).

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all tourism actors, including destination managers, tour operators, accommodation providers, food and drink providers, transport operators and activity providers. This BEMP is also fully applicable to **small enterprises**.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i2) Percentage of products and services complying with specific environmental criteria (%)	<p>(b4) The organisation has applied life cycle thinking to identify improvement options for all major supply chains that address environmental hotspots.</p> <p>(b5) ≥ 97 % of chemicals (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume) used in accommodation and restaurant premises are certified according to an ISO Type I ecolabel ⁽¹⁾ (or can be demonstrated to be the most environmentally friendly available option).</p> <p>(b6) ≥ 97 % of all wood, paper and cardboard purchased by accommodations and restaurants are recycled or environmentally certified (ecolabelled, FSC, PEFC).</p>

⁽¹⁾ As part of the ISO 14000 series of environmental standards, the International Standards Organisation has drawn up a subseries (ISO 14020) specific to environmental labelling, which covers three types of labelling schemes. In this context a 'Type I' ecolabel is a multi-criteria label developed by a third party. Examples are, at EU level, the 'EU Ecolabel' or, at national or multilateral level, the 'Blauer Engel', the 'Austrian Ecolabel' and the 'Nordic Swan'.

3.2. Destination management

3.2.1. Strategic destination development plans

BEMP is to establish a unit or organisation responsible for the strategic sustainable development of the destination that coordinates relevant departments and stakeholders to implement specific actions within the framework of a destination plan.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all destinations, either by units within government structures responsible for destination management or public/private destination management organisations. This BEMP is also applicable to small public administrations and **small enterprises** involved with destination management.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i3) Implementation of a sustainable destination plan (y/n)	(b7) Implementation of a destination plan that: (i) covers the entire destination area; (ii) involves coordination across all relevant government and private actors; (iii) addresses key environmental challenges within the destination.

3.2.2. Biodiversity conservation and management

BEMP is to monitor the state of biodiversity within the destination, and to implement a biodiversity conservation and management plan that protects and enhances total biodiversity within the destination through, for example, development restrictions and compensation measures.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all destinations. High nature value destinations should conserve biodiversity while low nature value destinations should take measures to increase biodiversity. This BEMP is also applicable to **small enterprises** involved with destination management.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i4) Implementation of a biodiversity management plan (y/n)	(b8) Minimise and compensate for any biodiversity displaced by tourism development so that destination-level biodiversity is maintained or increased in high nature value areas, and increased in degraded areas.
(i5) Species abundance in the destination area	
(i6) Protected area (hectares or percentage of destination total area)	

3.2.3. Infrastructure and service provision

BEMP is to ensure that environment-related services within the destination, in particular water supply, waste water treatment, waste management (especially recycling measures) and public transport/traffic management, are sufficient to cope with peak demand during tourism high season in a sustainable manner.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all destinations. It relates to good management by public administrations in general, but is particularly relevant where tourism generates large additional and seasonal demands for services. This BEMP is also applicable to small local public administrations and to **small enterprises** involved with destination management or providing the environment-related services required at a destination.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i7) Daily water consumption per guest (l/guest-day)	(b9) Services, including public transport, water provision, waste water treatment and waste recycling, are designed to cope with peak demand and to ensure the sustainability of tourism within the destination.
(i8) Percentage of waste water sent to secondary or tertiary treatment (%)	
(i9) Percentage of municipal solid waste sent for recycling or anaerobic digestion (%)	(b10) ≥ 95 % of waste water generated in the destination receives at least secondary treatment, or tertiary treatment for discharge to sensitive receiving waters, including during peak tourist season.
(i10) Percentage of journeys made by public transport, walking and cycling within the destination by tourists (%)	(b11) ≥ 95 % of municipal solid waste is diverted from landfill and sent for recycling or anaerobic digestion.
(i11) Percentage of final energy demand met by renewable energy generated on site (%)	(b12) Average tourist water consumption ≤ 200 L per guest-day.
	(b13) Public transport, walking and cycling account for ≥ 80 % of journeys made by tourists within city destinations.

3.3. Tour operators' and travel agents' activities

3.3.1. Reduce and mitigate the environmental impact of transport operations

BEMP is to implement 'choice editing' of packages offered to avoid unnecessary flights (i.e. flights that can be efficiently replaced by land or water transport), select highly energy-efficient transport providers (airlines, buses/coaches, ferries, ships, boats) and to offset all transport GHG emissions using certified offset schemes. For those companies running their

own transport operations, BEMP is to implement energy efficiency measures for transport fleets (owned or supplied), including green procurement of the most efficient and low emission vehicles, retrofitting aircrafts and coaches/buses with energy-saving options such as winglets, and to optimise operations (e.g. maximise load factors).

Applicability

'Choice editing' of travel packages and reducing air travel is applicable to all tour operators and travel agents, including **small enterprises**.

Measures to improve the energy efficiency of transport and reduce its emissions to air are directly applicable to tour operators with control over their own transport fleets, and applicable as selection and contract criteria for tour operators who contract transport services. This BEMP is also applicable, with some limitations, to **small enterprises** as their degree of influence over aircrafts is usually very limited but may own/control their own ground/water transport.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i12) Unnecessary flights avoided (y/n)	(b14) Tour operators do not offer flights for: (i) destinations less than 700 km away; (ii) destinations up to 2 000 km away for a stay of less than eight days, or; (iii) destinations more than 2 000 km away for a stay of less than 14 days.
(i13) Specific transport GHG emissions (kg CO ₂ /passenger-km)	
(i14) Percentage of transport GHG emissions offset with certified carbon credits (%)	
	(b15) Tour operator airline fleets achieve an average specific fuel consumption of ≤ 2,7 litres per 100 passenger-km.
	(b16) Average coach or bus fleet fuel consumption of ≤ 0,75 litres per 100 passenger-km and at least 90 % of the fleet are EURO V-compliant or run on alternative fuel systems.
	(b17) Transport GHG emissions from all packages sold are automatically compensated by investing directly in GHG avoidance projects or by purchasing certified carbon credits.

3.3.2. Drive environmental improvement of accommodation providers

BEMP is to require or encourage environmental certification of accommodation providers, or to require compliance with specific environmental criteria, or to require environmental performance reporting that can be used to implement benchmarking.

Applicability

All tour operators can apply this BEMP. It may be easier for smaller tour operators to select suppliers based on third-party environmental certification, and for larger tour operators to apply their own criteria and/or a benchmarking process. This BEMP is applicable to **small enterprises** with some limitations, as it may be difficult to establish supplier criteria but **small enterprises** may use existing environmental certifications (preference should be given to third-party verified certification such as the EU Ecolabel) to select suppliers.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i15) Percentage of accommodation suppliers (by guest-nights or value sold) complying with specific environmental criteria (%)	(b18) ≥ 90 % of accommodation suppliers, based on sales value or overnight stays, are in compliance with a set of environmental requirements (preferably recognised by third-party certification).

3.3.3. Drive destination improvement

BEMP is to drive environmental improvement of tourism destinations by leveraging an improved environmental performance from local supplier organisations and from destination management organisations and authorities, and by directly undertaking improvement schemes such as habitat restoration within major destinations.

Applicability

This BEMP is directly applicable to larger tour operators. **Small enterprises** may coordinate actions through clusters or consortia or in public-private partnership with local/regional authorities.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i16) Percentage of services under environmental improvement within the destination (%)	(b19) The tour operator drives destination environmental improvement by: (i) improving supply chain performance; (ii) influencing destination management; (iii) direct improvement schemes.
(i17) Participation in environmental improvement projects at the destination (y/n)	

3.3.4. Develop and promote suitable tourism packages and encourage more sustainable tourist behaviour

BEMP is to develop and promote tourism packages that exclude the most environmentally damaging options, and include environmental front-runner transport, accommodation and activity options. Moreover, tour operators and travel agents should provide information to customers on the environmental impacts of tourism packages, and should pass on targeted positive and engaging messages on sustainable and responsible actions that can be taken by customers when choosing and taking holidays to minimise their environmental impact.

Applicability

All tour operators, including **small enterprises**, can implement measures from this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i18) Percentage of front-runner sustainable tours (e.g. ecolabelled) sold (by value) (%)	(b20) The tour operator promotes sustainable tourism packages in mainstream advertising material
	(b21) Front-runner sustainable tourism packages (e.g. Austrian ecolabel for travel packages) represent a sales share $\geq 10\%$.
	(b22) The tour operator employs effective marketing and communication methods to encourage more sustainable choices in the selection of tourism packages.
	(b23) The tour operator provides all its customers with destination-specific and awareness-raising information to promote sustainable behaviour at the destination.

3.3.5. Efficient retail and office operations

BEMP is to minimise the use of resources, especially paper and ink, for advertising and office operations, to select environmentally certified materials and services (e.g. printing services), and to ensure energy ⁽¹⁾ and water efficiency across all office and retail operations.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all tour operators.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i19) Paper consumption per customer (g/customer)	(b24) Hard copy office and promotional material: (i) is avoided wherever possible; (ii) uses 100 % recycled or environmentally certified (e.g. ecolabelled, FSC, PEFC) paper; (iii) is printed by environmentally certified (e.g. EMAS, ISO 14001) printing services.
(i20) Environmental certification of paper and printing (y/n)	
(i21) Specific CO ₂ emissions from office and retail operations (kg CO ₂ /customer or kg CO ₂ /m ² yr)	(b25) Energy and GHG management plans are implemented and energy and GHG emissions arising from retail and office activities are reported and expressed per m ² of retail and office space per year, and per customer.
(i22) Annual water consumption in office buildings per employee (l/employee-yr)	(b26) Water consumption is ≤ 2,0 m ³ per employee per year.

3.4. Minimising water consumption in accommodation facilities

3.4.1. Water system monitoring, maintenance and optimisation

BEMP is to undertake a water consumption audit and monitor water consumption across key water-consuming processes and areas (i.e. sub-metering) in order to identify efficiency improvement options, and to ensure that all equipment is maintained through appropriate periodic inspection, including during housekeeping.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. However, it may not be necessary to retrofit sub-meters in small facilities.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i23) Water consumption per guest-night (l/guest-night)	(b27) Implementation of a site-specific water management plan that includes: (i) sub-metering and benchmarking all major water-consuming processes and areas; (ii) regular inspection and maintenance of water system 'leak points' and appliances.
	(b28) Total water consumption ≤ 140 L per guest-night in fully serviced hotels, and ≤ 100 L per guest-night in accommodation where the majority of the bathrooms are shared (e.g. hostels).

⁽¹⁾ This can be done in the framework of the implementation of an energy management system according to ISO 50001.

3.4.2. Efficient water fittings in guest areas

BEMP is to install efficient water fittings, including low-flow spray taps and low-flow thermostatic showers, low- and dual-flush WCs, and waterless urinals. In the interim, aerators may be retrofitted to existing fittings.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. Where refurbishment has recently taken place, measures such as the fitting of aerators are still applicable.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i23) Water consumption per guest-night (l/guest-night)	(b29) Water consumption, and associated energy consumption for water heating, of ≤ 100 L and 3,0 kWh per guest-night, respectively, for en suite guest bathrooms.
(i24) Energy consumption for water heating (kWh/guest-night)	
(i25) Flow rates of showers, bathroom taps, urinals and toilet flushes (l/min or l/flush)	
	(b30) Shower flow rate ≤ 7 L/min, bathroom tap flow rate ≤ 6 L/min (≤ 4 L/min new taps), average effective toilet flush $\leq 4,5$ L, installation of waterless urinals.

3.4.3. Efficient housekeeping

BEMP is to minimise laundry requirements through green procurement of bedclothes and towels (in terms of size, density, colour, material), and by requesting or encouraging guests to reuse bedclothes and towels. Best practice is also to train staff on the implementation of water- and chemical-efficient cleaning methods, and to procure environmentally certified consumables for bedrooms and bathrooms.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. Laundry minimisation through selection of more efficient room textiles is universally applicable, but the applicability of laundry minimisation by encouraging guests to reuse is limited for accommodation facilities with a high percentage of single-night guests.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i26) Laundry mass generated per guest-night (kg/guest-night)	(b31) At least 80 % of bedclothes are cotton-polyester mix ⁽¹⁾ or linen.
(i27) Percentage of reused towels and bedclothes (%)	(b32) At least 80 % of bedroom textiles have been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. EU Ecolabel) or are organic.
(i28) Consumption of chemical products for cleaning and dishwashing in terms of active chemical ingredients per guest-night (g/guest-night)	(b33) Consumption of chemical products for cleaning and dishwashing (excluding laundry detergents, special cleaners and pool chemicals) ≤ 10 grams of active chemical ingredients per guest-night.
(i29) Percentage of ISO Type I ecolabelled chemicals and textiles (%)	(b34) Reduction in laundry achieved through reuse of towels and bedclothes of at least 30 %.
	(b35) At least 80 % (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume) of the all-purpose cleaners, sanitary detergents, soaps and shampoos used by the tourist accommodation have been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (eg. EU Ecolabel).

⁽¹⁾ Bedclothes made of a cotton-polyester mix have longer durability and require less laundering energy than those made of pure cotton.

3.4.4. Optimised small-scale laundry operations

BEMP is to procure the most water- (and thus energy-) efficient washing extractors and the most energy-efficient driers (e.g. heat-pump driers) and ironers, to reuse rinse water and, in high-water-stress areas, the main wash water following micro-filtration. Best practice is also to recover heat from waste water and exhaust ventilation air.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation that perform laundry operations on site, **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i30) Water consumption per kg of laundry (l/kg)	(b36) For small scale laundry operations, all new domestic washing machines have an EU energy label rating of A+++, and commercial washing machines have an average laundry water consumption ≤ 7 L per kg of laundry washed.
(i31) Energy consumption per kg of laundry (kWh/kg)	
(i32) Percentage of ecolabelled laundry detergents (%)	
	(b37) Total on-site small-scale laundry process energy consumption $\leq 2,0$ kWh per kg of textiles, for dried and finished laundry products.
	(b38) At least 80 % of the small-scale laundry detergents used (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume) have been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. EU Ecolabel, Nordic Swan, Blaue Engel).

3.4.5. Optimised large-scale or outsourced laundry operations

BEMP is to select an efficient laundry service provider that is certified by an ISO Type I ecolabel or that complies with criteria in such labels, or to ensure that on-site large-scale laundry operations comply with such criteria.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to large accommodation facilities with on-site large-scale laundry operations, as well as commercial laundry operators. This BEMP is also applicable to other accommodation of all sizes, including **small enterprises**, insofar as the criteria are applicable for green procurement of laundry services.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i33) Ecolabelled laundry service (y/n)	(b39) All outsourced laundry is carried out by a provider who has been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. Nordic Swan), and all in-house large-scale laundry operations, or laundry operations outsourced to non-certified service providers, comply with the relevant benchmarks.
(i30) Water consumption per kg of laundry (l/kg)	
(i31) Energy consumption per kg of laundry (kWh/kg)	
(i32) Percentage of ecolabelled laundry detergents (%)	(b40) Total water consumption over the complete wash cycle of large-scale laundry operations of ≤ 5 L per kg textile for accommodation laundry and ≤ 9 L per kg textile for restaurant laundry.

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
	(b41) Total process energy consumption for dried and finished large-scale laundry products of $\leq 0,90$ kWh per kg of textiles for accommodation laundry and $\leq 1,45$ kWh per kg of textiles for restaurant laundry.
	(b42) For large-scale laundry operations, exclusive use of laundry detergents for professional use compliant with an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. EU Ecolabel, Nordic Swan), applied in appropriate doses.

3.4.6. Optimised pool management

BEMP is to optimise the frequency and timing of backwashing based on the pressure drop rather than fixed schedules, to use ozonation or UV treatment and careful dosing control to minimise chlorination, and to recover heat from exhaust ventilation air.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to accommodation companies with on-site swimming pools, **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i34) Implementation of a pool environmental management plan (y/n)	(b43) Implementation of an efficiency plan for swimming pool and spa areas that includes: (i) benchmarking specific water, energy and chemical consumption in swimming pool and spa areas, expressed per m ² of pool surface area and per guest-night; (ii) minimisation of chlorine consumption through optimised dosing and use of supplementary disinfection methods such as ozonation and UV treatment.
(i35) Application of ozonation or UV treatment (y/n)	

3.4.7. Rainwater and grey water recycling

BEMP is to install a grey water recovery system that recovers grey water for use in indoor processes (e.g. toilet flushing) following treatment, or for exterior processes (e.g. irrigation), or a rainwater collection system that uses rainwater for indoor purposes.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all accommodation companies. Water recycling systems may be installed during building construction or major renovation. The applicability to **small enterprises** may be limited because of the high investment cost.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i36) Implementation of grey water or rainwater recycling (y/n)	(b44) Installation of a rainwater recycling system that supplies internal water demand, and/or a grey water recycling system that supplies internal or external water demand.

3.5. Waste and waste water management in accommodation facilities

3.5.1. Waste prevention

BEMP is to prevent waste generation through green procurement of products, considering product life cycle impacts — for example by avoiding single-use items (food, soaps, shampoos) and by buying cleaning agents in concentrated and bulk form — and by careful management of procurement volumes.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all type and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i37) Waste generation per guest-night (kg/guest-night)	(b45) Total waste generation (sorted plus unsorted) \leq 0,6 kg per guest-night.

3.5.2. Waste sorting and sending for recycling

BEMP is to provide separated waste collection facilities throughout the establishment, to ensure that there is a clear procedure for waste separation, and to contract relevant recycling services at least for glass, paper and cardboard, plastics, metals and organic waste.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i38) Percentage of waste sent for re-use or recycling (%)	(b46) At least 84 % of waste, expressed on a weight basis, is sent for recycling.
(i39) Unsorted waste generated per guest-night (kg/guest-night)	(b47) Unsorted waste sent for disposal is \leq 0,16 kg per guest-night.

3.5.3. Waste water treatment

BEMP is to install an on-site waste water treatment system that treats waste water at least to secondary, and preferably to tertiary, level, and includes at least pretreatment to screen solids and settle particulate matter followed by efficient biological treatment (e.g. in a sequencing batch reactor) to remove a high proportion of COD, BOD, nitrogen and phosphorus from the final effluent. Sludge is treated and disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation not connected to a sewer network, **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i40) Removal efficiency of on-site waste water treatment (e.g. % of BOD, COD)	(b48) Where it is not possible to send waste water for centralised treatment, on-site waste water treatment includes pretreatment (sieve/bar-rack, equalisation and sedimentation) followed by biological treatment with > 95 % BOD ₅ removal, > 90 % nitrification, and (off-site) anaerobic digestion of excess sludge.
(i41) Concentration in final effluent (mg/l) (e.g. BOD, COD, total nitrogen, phosphorous)	

3.6. Minimising energy consumption in accommodation facilities

3.6.1. Energy monitoring and management systems

BEMP is to undertake an energy audit and monitor energy consumption across key energy-consuming processes and areas (i.e. sub-metering) in order to identify efficiency improvement options, and to ensure that all equipment is maintained through appropriate periodic inspection ⁽¹⁾.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. Extensive sub-metering and building management systems are not applicable to small facilities.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i42) Implementation of a site-specific energy management plan (y/n)	(b49) Implementation of a site-specific energy management plan that includes: (i) sub-metering and benchmarking all major energy-consuming processes; (ii) calculation and reporting of primary energy consumption and energy-related CO ₂ emissions. (b50) For existing buildings, final energy use for HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) and water heating ≤ 75 kWh, or total final energy use ≤ 180 kWh, per m ² heated and cooled area per year.
(i43) Specific energy use (kWh/m ² yr)	

3.6.2. Improved building envelope

For new buildings, BEMP is to ensure that these are compliant with the highest achievable energy ratings, such as the PassiveHouse and Minergie P standards ⁽²⁾. For existing buildings, BEMP is retrofitting to minimise heating and cooling energy requirements ⁽³⁾.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types of accommodation during construction or major renovation, and during building selection for organisations which rent their premises. The opportunity for **small enterprises** to implement this BEMP may be limited in the case of retrofitting an existing building, because of the high investment cost.

⁽¹⁾ This can be done in the framework of the implementation of an energy management system according to ISO 50001.

⁽²⁾ Passive House and Minergie P are two examples of very ambitious building standards in terms of energy performance. Their requirements are described respectively at: http://www.passiv.de/en/02_informations/02_passive-house-requirements/02_passive-house-requirements.htm and http://www.minergie.ch/minergie_fr.html

⁽³⁾ More specific BEMPs on improving the building envelope and, more broadly, the environmental sustainability of buildings are described in the upcoming EMAS Sectoral Reference Document for the Construction sector.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i43) Specific energy use (kWh/m ² yr)	<p>(b50) For existing buildings, final energy use for HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) and water heating ≤ 75 kWh, or total final energy use ≤ 180 kWh, per m² heated and cooled area per year.</p> <p>(b51) For new buildings, the rated energy performance conforms with Minergie P or PassiveHouse standards or equivalent.</p>

3.6.3. Optimised HVAC systems

BEMP is to minimise energy consumption from HVAC (heating, ventilating, and air conditioning) systems by installing products with the top energy label classes (when applicable), zoned temperature control and controlled ventilation with heat recovery (ideally controlled by CO₂ sensors) and energy-efficient components (e.g. variable-speed fans), and to optimise HVAC in relation to building-envelope and energy source characteristics.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all type and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. Full optimisation can only be made during construction or major renovation, but specific measures can be implemented at any time.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i43) Specific energy use (kWh/m ² yr)	<p>(b50) For existing buildings, final energy use for HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) and water heating ≤ 75 kWh, or total final energy use ≤ 180 kWh, per m² heated and cooled area per year.</p> <p>(b51) For new buildings, the rated energy performance conforms with Minergie P or PassiveHouse standards or equivalent.</p>

3.6.4. Efficient applications of heat pumps and geothermal heating/cooling

BEMP is to install efficient (e.g. ecolabelled, products with the top energy label classes) heat pumps for heating and cooling, or, where possible, groundwater cooling.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types of accommodation. In urban areas, it may only be possible to install groundwater systems during building construction or major renovation. Air-source heat pumps are easy to retrofit, but may not be suitable for very cold climates. The applicability of this BEMP may be limited for **small enterprises** because of the investment cost.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i43) Specific energy use (kWh/m ² yr)	(b52) Water-source heat pumps and/or geothermal heating/cooling are used in preference to conventional heating and cooling systems wherever feasible, and heat pumps comply with EU Ecolabel criteria and with the top energy label classes.

3.6.5. Efficient lighting and electrical equipment

BEMP is to install zoned and appropriately sized compact fluorescent and LED lighting with intelligent control based on motion, natural light and time. BEMP is also to optimise building design and interior layout with respect to the use of natural light, considering the energy impact of large glazed areas for heating and cooling. As regards electrical equipment (white goods and consumer electronics), products with EU Ecolabel or the top energy label classes should be chosen whenever possible.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all types and sizes of accommodation, **small enterprises** included. Compact fluorescent and LED lamps can often directly substitute incandescent and halogen lamps. Building modification to optimise use of natural light is restricted to initial construction and renovation.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i44) Installed lighting capacity (W/m ²)	(b53) Installed lighting capacity ≤ 10 W per m ²
(i45) Lighting-specific energy use (kWh/m ² yr)	(b54) Lighting electricity use ≤ 25 kWh per m ² heated and cooled floor area per year.
(i46) Total electricity use (kWh/m ² yr)	(b55) Total electricity use ≤ 80 kWh per m ² heated and cooled floor area per year.

3.6.6. Renewable energy sources

BEMP is to install on-site geothermal, solar or wind energy generation equipment where appropriate, and to procure electricity from a genuine (i.e. verifiably additional) renewable electricity supplier.

Applicability

The potential to exploit particular renewable energy technologies on site depends on location- and site-specific factors such as climate, shading, available space, etc. Investment in off-site renewable energy schemes may be undertaken by any organisation. The applicability of this BEMP may be limited for **small enterprises** in cases of long payback times.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i11) Percentage of final energy use met by renewable energy generated on site (%)	(b56) The equivalent of 50 % of the accommodation's annual energy use is generated by on-site renewable sources, or by verifiably additional off-site renewable energy sources.
(i47) Use of certified renewable energy credits (y/n)	(b57) 100 % of electricity is from traceable renewable electricity sources not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix, or that are less than two years old.

3.7. Restaurants and hotel kitchens

3.7.1. Green sourcing of food and drink products

BEMP is to assess food and drink supply chains to identify environmental hotspots and key control points, including selection of environmentally certified products and editing of menus to avoid particularly damaging ingredients (e.g. endangered fish species and some out-of-season fruit) and ensure judicious portioning of meat and dairy products and availability of vegetarian options.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all kitchens. Kitchens in rural locations may be able to source food on site. Larger kitchens may have a stronger influence over suppliers. **Small enterprises** can also fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i48) Percentage of environmentally certified ingredients (by value) (%)	(b58) The organisation is able to provide documented information, at least including country of origin, for all main ingredients. (b59) At least 60 % of food and drink products, by procurement value, are environmentally certified (e.g. organic).

3.7.2. Organic waste management

BEMP is to minimise avoidable food waste by careful menu development and portion sizing, and to ensure that all organic waste is separated and sent for anaerobic digestion where available, or alternatively incineration with energy recovery or local/on-site composting.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all kitchens. The preferred waste recycling option of anaerobic digestion may not be available in some locations, in which case waste may be sent for incineration with energy recovery or composting. **Small enterprises** can also fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i49) Organic waste generation (kg per dining guest)	(b60) ≥ 95 % of organic waste is separated and diverted from landfill, and, where possible, sent for anaerobic digestion.
(i50) Percentages of organic waste sent for anaerobic digestion, alternative energy recovery, composted on-site or sent for composting (%)	(b61) Total organic waste generation $\leq 0,25$ kg per dining guest, and avoidable waste generation $\leq 0,18$ kg per dining guest.

3.7.3. Optimised dishwashing, cleaning and food preparation

BEMP is to select efficient washing equipment, including trigger-operated low-flow pre-rinse spray valves, efficient dishwashers and connectionless steamers, and to monitor and benchmark water consumption in kitchen/restaurant areas.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all kitchens. Installation of more efficient dishwashers may only be economically viable when existing dishwashers are approaching the end of their working life or require repairing. **Small enterprises** can also fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i51) Kitchen water consumption per dining guest (l/dining guest)	(b62) Implementation of a kitchen water management plan that includes monitoring and reporting of total kitchen water consumption normalised per dining guest, and the identification of priority measures to reduce water consumption.
(i52) Percentage of ecolabelled dishwashing and kitchen cleaning chemicals (%)	
(i53) Green procurement of efficient kitchen equipment (y/n)	(b63) At least 70 % of the purchase volume of chemical cleaning products (excluding oven cleaners) for dishwashing and cleaning are ecolabelled (e.g. EU Ecolabel).

3.7.4. Optimised cooking, ventilation and refrigeration

BEMP is to select efficient cooking equipment, including induction-hob or pot-sensor-controlled gas hobs, efficient refrigeration equipment that uses natural refrigerants such as ammonia or carbon dioxide, and to control ventilation according to demand.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all kitchens. Installation of more efficient cooking and refrigeration equipment may only be economically viable when existing equipment is approaching the end of its working life. **Small enterprises** can also fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i54) Specific energy use per dining guest (kWh/dining guest)	(b64) Implementation of a kitchen energy management plan that includes monitoring and reporting of total kitchen energy use normalised per dining guest, and the identification of priority measures to reduce energy consumption.

3.8. Campsites

3.8.1. Environmental education of guests

BEMP is to provide guests with interactive on-site education on environmental issues, including courses, nature trails, or equipment such as low-carbon transport (bicycles, electric bicycles).

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all campsites and other types of accommodation (especially rural). Applicability of this BEMP may be limited for **small enterprises** with few resources.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i55) Environmental information/education available for guests (y/n)	(b65) The accommodation company encourages and facilitates environmentally responsible behaviour and activities, and provides environmental education for guests through on-site activities and courses.
(i56) Low-carbon means of transport (e.g. bicycles) are available for guests (y/n)	

3.8.2. Environmental management of outdoor areas

BEMP is to maximise on-site biodiversity through planting of native species and installation of green or brown roofs and walls. BEMP is to minimise water consumption for irrigation and use grey water or rainwater. BEMP is to minimise light pollution arising from outdoor lighting (e.g. through use of correctly angled low-pressure sodium lamps) and reducing noise pollution from outdoor events by installing sound barriers and enforcing strict curfew rules for such events.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all campsites and other types of accommodation (especially rural), **small enterprises** included.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmarks of excellence
(i4) Implementation of a biodiversity management plan (y/n)	(b66) Maintain or increase on-site biodiversity by planting native species, creating refuges for local animal species, and installing green or brown roofs where possible; and by minimising chemical inputs, light and noise pollution.
	(b67) Minimise light pollution and wildlife disturbance by installing timer- or sensor-controlled, efficient, and appropriately angled luminaries for external lights producing zero uplight.
	(b68) Minimise water consumption by planting native species and mulching, and by installing controlled irrigation systems fed with grey water where possible.

3.8.3. Campsites energy efficiency and renewable energy installation

BEMP is to minimise energy consumption for water-heating, HVAC and lighting by installing low-flow fittings, good building insulation, and fluorescent or LED lighting, and also to install on-site renewable energy generating capacity (e.g. solar water-heating). Additionally, heat may be recovered from washroom grey water using a heat pump.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all campsites. Installation of specific renewable energy technologies depends on site-specific characteristics. **Small enterprises** can fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmarks of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmarks of excellence
(i57) Specific energy use per guest-night (kWh/guest-night)	(b69) Specific final energy use (excluding renewable energy generated on-site) is $\leq 2,0$ kWh per guest-night.
(i11) Percentage of final energy use met by renewable energy generated on site (%)	(b70) 100 % of electricity is from traceable renewable electricity sources not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix, or that are less than two years old.
(i47) Use of certified renewable energy credits (y/n)	

3.8.4. Campsite water efficiency

BEMP is to minimise water consumption through the installation of low-flow taps and showers, shower-timer controls, and low- and dual-flush WCs and waterless urinals.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all campsites. **Small enterprises** can fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicators and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicators	Benchmark of excellence
(i23) Water consumption per guest-night (l/guest-night)	(b71) Total water consumption ≤ 94 litres per guest-night on fully serviced four- and five-star campsites, and water consumption ≤ 58 litres per guest-night on all other campsites.
(i25) Flow rates of showers, bathroom taps, urinals and toilet flushes (l/min or l/flush).	

3.8.5. Campsite waste minimisation

BEMP is to minimise residual waste generation by implementing waste prevention, by providing convenient on-site waste sorting facilities, and by contracting waste recycling services.

Applicability

This BEMP is applicable to all campsites. There is less scope for waste prevention than in other types of accommodation because most waste originates from guest purchases. **Small enterprises** can fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i39) Unsorted waste generated per guest-night (kg/guest-night)	(b72) Total residual waste sent for disposal of $\leq 0,2$ kg per guest-night.

3.8.6. *Natural pools*

BEMP is to install a natural pool or convert an existing pool to a natural pool.

Applicability

This BEMP can be implemented in all campsites and other types of accommodation (especially rural). **Small enterprises** can fully implement this BEMP.

Associated environmental performance indicator and benchmark of excellence

Environmental performance indicator	Benchmark of excellence
(i58) Installation of a natural pool (y/n)	(b73) The on-site swimming pool(s) incorporate(s) natural plant-based filtration systems to achieve water purification to the required hygiene standard.

4. RECOMMENDED SECTOR SPECIFIC KEY ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The following table lists a **selection** of key environmental performance indicators for organisations in the tourism sector. These are a subset of all the indicators mentioned in chapter 3. The table is divided into six parts; the first one lists indicators **applicable to all actors of the sector (cross-cutting)**, while the following parts are **one for each of the main actors addressed by this SRD (destination managers, tour operators and travel agents, accommodations, restaurant and hotel kitchens and campsites)**.

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
CROSS-CUTTING					
1. Implementation of an environmental management system	(y/n)	The indicator states whether the organisation implements an environmental management system. This indicator can be employed by all actors in the tourism sector (i.e. destination managers, tour operators, accommodation providers, food and drink providers, transport operators and activity providers).	Per site (may be aggregated to organisation level)	All	Appropriate indicators are used to continuously monitor all relevant aspects of environmental performance, including less easily measured and indirect aspects such as biodiversity impacts. (BEMP 3.1.1) All staff are provided with information on environmental objectives and training on relevant environmental management actions. (BEMP 3.1.1) Best environmental management practices are implemented where applicable. (BEMP 3.1.1)
2. Percentage of products and services complying with specific environmental criteria	%	The indicator refers to the assessment of the supply chain, based on selecting products/services complying with specific environmental criteria and certifications (e.g. EU Ecolabel).	Per site (may be aggregated to organisation level)	All	The organisation has applied life cycle thinking to identify improvement options for all major supply chains that impact environmental hotspots. (BEMP 3.1.2) ≥ 97 % of chemicals (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume), used in accommodation and restaurant premises are certified according to an ISO Type I ecolabel (or can be demonstrated to be the most environmentally friendly available option). (BEMP 3.1.2) ≥ 97 % of all wood, paper and cardboard purchased by accommodations and restaurants are recycled or environmentally certified (ecolabelled, FSC, PEFC). (BEMP 3.1.2)

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
DESTINATION MANAGERS					
1. Implementation of a sustainable destination plan	(y/n)	The indicator states whether the destination manager implements a sustainable destination plan which addresses key environmental challenges within the destination, covers the whole destination area and coordinates all relevant actors involved.	Destination	All	Implementation of a destination plan that: (i) covers the entire destination area; (ii) involves coordination across all relevant government and private actors; (iii) addresses key environmental challenges within the destination. (BEMP 3.2.1)
2. Implementation of a biodiversity management plan	(y/n)	The indicator refers to the implementation of a biodiversity management plan at the destination.	Destination	Biodiversity	Minimise and compensate for any biodiversity displaced by tourism development so that destination-level biodiversity is maintained or increased in high nature value areas, and increased in degraded areas. (BEMP 3.2.2)
3. Daily water consumption per guest	L/guest-day	Amount of water used on average by each guest at the destination site.	Destination	Water	Average tourist water consumption \leq 200 litres per guest-day. (BEMP 3.2.3)
4. Percentage of waste water sent to secondary or tertiary treatment	%	Percentage of waste water generated at the destination which is treated with secondary or tertiary treatment during tourism high season.	Destination	Water	Services, including public transport, water provision, waste water treatment and waste recycling, are designed to cope with peak demand and to ensure the sustainability of tourism within the destination. (BEMP 3.2.3) \geq 95 % waste water generated in the destination receives at least secondary treatment, or tertiary treatment for discharge to sensitive receiving waters, including during peak tourist season. (BEMP 3.2.3)

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
5. Percentage of municipal solid waste sent for recycling or anaerobic digestion	%	Percentage of municipal solid waste collected at the destination which is sent for recycling or anaerobic digestion.	Destination	Waste	≥ 95 % of municipal solid waste is diverted from landfill and sent for recycling or anaerobic digestion. (BEMP 3.2.3)
6. Percentage of journeys made by public transport, walking and cycling within the destination by tourists	%	Percentage of journeys within a destination made by public transport, walking and cycling by tourists.	Destination	Emissions	Services, including public transport, water provision, waste water treatment and waste recycling, are designed to cope with peak demand and to ensure the sustainability of tourism within the destination. (BEMP 3.2.3) Public transport, walking and cycling account for ≥ 80 % of journeys made by tourists within city destinations. (BEMP 3.2.3)
7. Percentage of final energy demand met by renewable energy generated on site	%	Ratio between the renewable energy generated on site in the destination and the total energy demand of the destination in terms of final energy.	Destination	Emissions	— (BEMP 3.2.3)

TOUR OPERATORS AND TRAVEL AGENTS

1. Specific transport GHG emissions	kg CO ₂ /passenger-km	Fuel/energy consumption of aircraft, buses, coaches and trains under the control of tour operators are monitored and data for subcontracted transport providers are requested.	Organisation aircraft/vehicle fleet	Energy efficiency Material efficiency Emissions	Tour operators do not offer flights for: (i) destinations less than 700 km away; (ii) destinations up to 2 000 km away for a stay of less than eight days, or; destinations more than 2 000 km away for a stay of less than 14 days. (BEMP 3.3.1) Tour operator airline fleets achieve an average specific fuel consumption of ≤ 2,7 litres per 100 passenger-km. (BEMP 3.3.1)
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Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
					Average coach or bus fleet fuel consumption of $\leq 0,75$ litres per 100 passenger-km and at least 90 % of fleet are EURO V-compliant or run on alternative fuel systems. (BEMP 3.3.1)
2. Percentage of transport GHG emissions offset with certified carbon credits	%	Percentage of CO ₂ emissions offset by purchased certified carbon credits. For aviation emission offsetting, an appropriate radiative forcing index factor should be applied.	Organisation aircraft/vehicle fleet	Energy efficiency Material efficiency Emissions	Transport GHG emissions from all packages sold are automatically compensated by investing directly in GHG avoidance projects or by purchasing certified carbon credits. (BEMP 3.3.1)
3. Percentage of accommodation suppliers (by guest-nights or value sold) complying with specific environmental criteria	%	This indicator considers third-party certified environmental standards (e.g. EU Ecolabel, Nordic Swan) as well as compliance with specified set of requirements.	Organisation	All	≥ 90 % of accommodation suppliers, based on sales value or overnight stays, are in compliance with a set of environmental requirements (preferably recognised by third-party certification). (BEMP 3.3.2)
4. Percentage of services under environmental improvement within the destination	%	The indicator refers to the percentage of services that the tour operator has contributed to improve within each of its major destinations.	Destination and organisation	All	The tour operator drives environmental improvement by: (i) improving supply chain performance; (ii) influencing destination management; (iii) direct improvement schemes. (BEMP 3.3.3)
5. Percentage of front-runner sustainable tours (e.g. ecolabelled) sold (by value)	%	The percentage by value of front-runner sustainable tours (e.g. Austrian ecolabel for travel packages) out of total tours sold by the tour operator.	Organisation	All	The tour operator promotes sustainable tourism packages in mainstream advertising material. (BEMP 3.3.4) Front-runner sustainable tourism packages (e.g. Austrian ecolabel for travel packages) represent a sales share ≥ 10 %. (BEMP 3.3.4)

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
					<p>The tour operator employs effective marketing and communication methods to encourage more sustainable choices in the selection of tourism packages. (BEMP 3.3.4)</p> <p>The tour operator provides all its customers with destination-specific and awareness-raising information to promote sustainable behaviour at the destination. (BEMP 3.3.4)</p>
6. Paper consumption per customer	g/customer	The amount of paper used per customer.	Organisation	Material efficiency Waste Emissions	Hard copy office and promotional material: (i) is avoided wherever possible; (ii) uses 100 % recycled or environmentally certified (e.g. ecolabelled, FSC, PEFC) paper; (iii) is printed by environmentally certified (e.g. EMAS, ISO14001) printing services. (BEMP 3.3.5)
7. Environmental certification of paper and printing	(y/n)	This indicator refers to whether paper used is environmentally certified (e.g. EU Ecolabel, FSC), and has been printed using environmentally certified printing services.	Organisation	Material efficiency Waste	Hard copy office and promotional material: (i) is avoided wherever possible; (ii) uses 100 % recycled or environmentally certified (e.g. ecolabelled, FSC, PEFC) paper; (iii) is printed by environmentally certified (e.g. EMAS, ISO14001) printing services. (BEMP 3.3.5)
8. Specific CO ₂ emissions from office and retail operations	kg CO ₂ /customer kg CO ₂ /m ² -yr	This indicator measures the amount of CO ₂ arising from retail and office activities. It can be expressed as emissions per customer or emissions per retail and office surface and year.	Organisation	Emissions	Energy and GHG management plans are implemented and energy and GHG emissions arising from retail and office activities are reported and expressed per m ² of retail and office space per year, and per customer. (BEMP 3.3.5)

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
9. Annual water consumption in office buildings per employee	L/employee·yr	This indicator refers to the annual water use in the office buildings divided by the number of employees working in such buildings.	Organisation	Water	Water consumption $\leq 2,0 \text{ m}^3$ per employee per year. (BEMP 3.3.5)

ACCOMMODATIONS

1. Water consumption per guest-night	l/guest-night	Water consumption is measured on the accommodation premises over one year, normalised per number of guest-nights. Water consumption for large swimming pools or restaurants serving a high proportion of non-residents may be excluded from the indicator for accommodation benchmarking.	Per hotel or equivalent (may be aggregated to organisation level) Sub-metering of accommodation areas	Water	Implementation of a site-specific water management plan that includes: (i) sub-metering and benchmarking all major water-consuming processes and areas; (ii) regular inspection and maintenance of water system 'leak points' and appliances. (BEMP 3.4.1) Total water consumption $\leq 140 \text{ L}$ per guest-night in fully serviced hotels, and $\leq 100 \text{ L}$ per guest-night in accommodation where the majority of the bathrooms are shared across rooms (e.g. hostels). (BEMP 3.4.1)
2. Laundry mass generated per guest-night	kg laundry/guest-night	Total laundry mass generated per guest-night. This indicator is influenced by reuse rate, textile quantity, size and density.	Per premises	Water Energy efficiency	Reduction in laundry achieved through reuse of towels and bedclothes of at least 30 %. (BEMP 3.4.3)
3. Consumption of chemical products for cleaning and dishwashing in terms of active chemical ingredients per guest-night	g/guest-night	This indicator includes all chemicals products for cleaning and dishwashing (excluding laundry detergents, special cleaners and pool chemicals). The amount to be reported is in terms of active chemical ingredients.	Per premises	Waste	Consumption of chemicals products for cleaning and dishwashing (excluding laundry detergents, special cleaners and pool chemicals) ≤ 10 grams of active chemical ingredients per guest-night. (BEMP 3.4.3)

Indicator	Common unit	Short description	Recommended minimum level of monitoring	Related core indicator according to Annex IV to Regulation (EC) 1221/2009 (Section C.2)	Benchmark of excellence and related best environmental management practice
4. Percentage of ISO Type I ecolabelled chemicals and textiles	%	Percentage of ISO Type I ecolabelled chemicals (for cleaning operations, soaps, shampoos, etc.) and textiles used.	Per premises	Waste	At least 80 % (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume) of all-purpose cleaners, sanitary detergents, soaps and shampoos used by the tourist accommodation have been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. EU Ecolabel). (BEMP 3.4.3)
5. Water consumption per kg of laundry	L/kg laundry	This indicator measures the water consumption for the complete wash cycle per kg of laundry.	Per laundry used by the accommodation	Water	For small scale laundry operations, all new domestic washing machines have an EU energy label rating of A+++, and commercial washing machines have an average laundry water consumption ≤ 7 L per kg of laundry washed. Total water consumption over the complete wash cycle of large-scale laundry operations ≤ 5 L per kg textile for accommodation laundry and ≤ 9 L per kg textile for restaurant laundry. (BEMP 3.4.5).
6. Energy consumption per kg of laundry	kWh/kg laundry	This indicator measures the energy consumption for the complete wash cycle per kg of laundry.	Per laundry used by the accommodation	Energy efficiency	Total on-site small-scale laundry process energy consumption $\leq 2,0$ kWh per kg textile for dried and finished laundry products. (BEMP 3.4.4). Total process energy consumption for dried and finished large-scale laundry products $\leq 0,90$ kWh per kg textile for accommodation laundry and $\leq 1,45$ kWh per kg textile for restaurant laundry. (BEMP 3.4.5)
7. Percentage of ecolabelled laundry detergents	%	Percentage of ecolabelled detergents used in laundry operations.	Per laundry used by the accommodation	Waste	At least 80 % of the small-scale laundry detergents used (by active ingredient weight or purchased volume) have been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. Nordic Swan, Blaue Engel, EU Ecolabel). (BEMP 3.4.4).

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					For large-scale laundry operations, exclusive use of laundry detergents for professional use compliant with an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. EU Ecolabel, Nordic Swan), applied in appropriate doses. (BEMP 3.4.5)
8. Ecolabelled laundry service	(y/n)	This indicator refers to the contracting of an external provider of laundry services compliant with an ISO Type I ecolabel.	Per laundry services provider used by the accommodation	Water Energy efficiency	All outsourced laundry is carried out by a provider who has been awarded an ISO Type I ecolabel (e.g. Nordic Swan), and all in-house large-scale laundry operations, or laundry operations outsourced to non-certified service providers, comply with the relevant benchmarks. (BEMP 3.4.5)
9. Implementation of a pool environmental management plan	(y/n)	The implementation of a pool environmental management plan includes water, energy and chemical monitoring.	Per premises	Water Energy efficiency Material efficiency	Implementation of an efficiency plan for swimming pool and spa areas that includes: (i) benchmarking specific water, energy and chemical consumption in swimming pool and spa areas, expressed per m ² of pool surface area and per guest-night; (ii) minimisation of chlorine consumption through optimised dosing and use of supplementary disinfection methods such as ozonation and UV treatment. (BEMP 3.4.6)
10. Implementation of grey water or rainwater recycling	(y/n)	This indicator states whether a system that employs grey water for internal or external (e.g. irrigation) purposes, or that uses rainwater for interior purposes (e.g. flushing toilets) is installed and used.	Per premises At organisation level: % of premises	Water	Installation of a rainwater recycling system that supplies internal water demand, and/or a grey water recycling system that supplies internal or external water demand. (BEMP 3.4.7)

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11. Waste generation per guest-night	kg/guest-night	This indicator refers to total waste generation (sorted plus unsorted). The purpose is to assess the effectiveness of waste prevention measures (e.g. reuse).	At least per hotel or equivalent (may be aggregated to organisation level) Per source area (e.g. kitchen, housekeeping)	Waste Material efficiency	Total waste generation (sorted plus unsorted) $\leq 0,6$ kg per guest-night. (BEMP 3.5.1)
12. Percentage of waste sent for recycling	%	This indicator expresses the amount of waste (expressed on a weight basis) which is separately collected and sent for recycling.	Per hotel or equivalent (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Waste Material efficiency	At least 84 % of waste, expressed on a weight basis, is sent for recycling. (BEMP 3.5.2)
13. Unsorted waste generated per guest-night	kg/guest-night	This indicator measures the amount of unsorted waste (not sent for recycling) generated.	Per hotel or equivalent (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Waste Material efficiency	Unsorted waste sent for disposal is $\leq 0,16$ kg per guest-night. (BEMP 3.5.2)
14. Removal efficiency of on-site waste water treatment	% of BOD ₅ , COD, total nitrogen, total phosphorus removal BOD ₅ , COD, total nitrogen, total phosphorus concentration in final effluent (mg/L)	This indicator refers to the performance of on-site waste water treatment systems (when present).	Per hotel or equivalent	Waste Water	Where it is not possible to send waste water for centralised treatment, on-site waste water treatment includes pretreatment (sieve/bar-rack, equalisation and sedimentation) followed by biological treatment with > 95 % BOD ₅ removal, > 90 % nitrification, and (off-site) anaerobic digestion of excess sludge. (BEMP 3.5.3)

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15. Implementation of a site-specific energy management plan	(y/n)	The indicator states whether a site-specific energy management plan which includes sub-metering all major energy-consuming processes is implemented and whether primary energy consumption and energy-related CO ₂ emissions are calculated and reported.	Per hotel or equivalent and at the organisational level (aggregated value)	Energy efficiency	Implementation of a site-specific energy management plan that includes: (i) sub-metering and benchmarking all major energy-consuming processes; (ii) calculation and reporting of primary energy consumption and energy-related CO ₂ emissions. (BEMP 3.6.1)
16. Specific energy use	kWh/m ² -yr	Total energy use per unit of area and per year in terms of final energy. Renewable energy generated on-site should not be subtracted. In cases where heating and cooling energy can be separated from other process energy, it is recommended to report them separately.	Per hotel or equivalent and at the organisational level (aggregated value)	Energy efficiency	For existing buildings, final energy use for HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) and water heating ≤ 75 kWh, or total final energy use ≤ 180 kWh, per m ² heated and cooled area per year. (BEMPs 3.6.1, 3.6.2 and 3.6.3) For new buildings, the rated energy performance conforms with Minergie P or PassiveHouse standards or equivalent. (BEMP 3.6.2 and 3.6.3) Water-source heat pumps and/or geothermal heating/cooling are used in preference to conventional heating and cooling systems wherever feasible, and heat pumps comply with EU Ecolabel criteria. (BEMP 3.6.4) Total electricity use ≤ 80 kWh m ² yr (heated and cooled floor area). (BEMP 3.6.5)
17. Installed lighting capacity	W/m ²	Installed lighting power to meet illumination needs per unit of area.	Per hotel or equivalent	Energy efficiency	Installed lighting capacity ≤ 10 W per m ² . (BEMP 3.6.5) Lighting electricity use ≤ 25 kWh/m ² yr (heated and cooled floor area). (BEMP 3.6.5)

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		An alternative good technical indicator is Lumens/m ² , but the environmental performance is more linked to the installed power measured in W/m ² .			Total electricity consumption ≤ 80 kWh m ² yr (heated and cooled floor area). (BEMP 3.6.5)
18. Percentage of final energy use met by renewable energy generated on site	%	Ratio between the renewable energy generated on site at the accommodation facility and the total energy use of the facility in terms of final energy.	Per hotel or equivalent and at the organisational level (aggregated value)	Energy efficiency	The equivalent of 50 % of the accommodation's annual energy use is generated by on-site renewable sources. (BEMP 3.6.6)
19. Use of certified renewable energy credits	(y/n)	This indicator expresses if the accommodation purchases off-site certified renewable energy (e.g. renewable electricity). The certification must ensure that the renewable energy purchased is not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix.	Per hotel or equivalent and at the organisational level (aggregated value)	Energy efficiency	100 % of electricity is from traceable renewable electricity sources not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix, or that are less than two years old. (BEMP 3.6.6)

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RESTAURANTS AND HOTEL KITCHENS					
1. Percentage of environmentally certified ingredients (by value)	%	This indicator refers to ingredients certified with relevant environmental standards (e.g. organic, MSC).	Per key ingredient purchased, (may be aggregated to organisation level)	All	The organisation is able to provide documented information, at least including country of origin, for all main ingredients. (BEMP 3.7.1) At least 60 % of food and drink products, by procurement value, are environmentally certified (e.g. organic). (BEMP 3.7.1)
2. Organic waste generation per dining guest	kg/dining guest	Total organic waste generated divided by the number of covers (dining guests) served.	Per kitchen or hotel (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Waste Material efficiency	Total organic waste generation \leq 0,25 kg per dining guest, and avoidable waste generation \leq 0,18 kg per dining guest. (BEMP 3.7.2)
3. Percentages of organic waste sent for anaerobic digestion, alternative energy recovery, composted on-site or sent for composting	%	Restaurants and hotel kitchens should report separately the amounts of organic waste sent for anaerobic digestion, alternative energy recovery, composted on-site or sent for composting, as percentages of the total organic waste generation.	Per kitchen or hotel (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Waste Material efficiency	\geq 95 % of organic waste is separated and diverted from landfill, and, where possible, sent for anaerobic digestion or alternative energy recovery. (BEMP 3.7.2)
4. Kitchen water consumption per dining guest	L/dining guest	Ratio of the total kitchen water consumption by the number of covers (dining guests) served.	At least per kitchen or hotel (may be aggregated to organisation level) Per process	Water Energy efficiency	Implementation of a kitchen water management plan that includes monitoring and reporting of total kitchen water consumption normalised per dining guest, and the identification of priority measures to reduce water consumption. (BEMP 3.7.3)

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		Numerous processes contribute to water consumption, and ideally monitoring should be at process level (dishwashing, taps, steam cookers, etc.).			
5. Percentage of ecolabelled dishwashing and kitchen cleaning chemicals	%	This indicator reports the percentage of dishwashing and kitchen cleaning chemical products which are ISO Type I ecolabelled.	Per premises	Waste	At least 70 % of the purchase volume of chemical cleaning products (excluding oven cleaners) for dishwashing and cleaning are ecolabelled (e.g. EU Ecolabel). (BEMP 3.7.3)
6. Specific energy use per dining guest	kWh/dining guest	Total energy use for the kitchen divided by the number of covers. This indicator includes all energy sources (e.g. electricity, natural gas, LPG). Many processes contribute to energy consumption, and ideally monitoring should be at process level (cooking, refrigeration, dishwashing, etc.).	At least per kitchen or hotel (may be aggregated to organisation level) Per process	Energy efficiency	Implementation of a kitchen energy management plan that includes monitoring and reporting of total kitchen energy use normalised per dining guest, and the identification of priority measures to reduce energy consumption. (BEMP 3.7.4)
CAMPSITES					
1. Environmental information/education available for guests (y/n)	(y/n)	This indicator relates to the availability of e.g. information on low-impact mobility options (e.g. bikes, public transport, electric vehicles), the provision of courses addressing environmental issues and nature walks.	Per campsite	All	The accommodation company encourages and facilitates environmentally responsible behaviour and activities, and provides environmental education for guests through on-site activities and courses. (BEMP 3.8.1)

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2. Implementation of a biodiversity management plan	(y/n)	The indicator refers to the implementation of a biodiversity management plan at the campsite.	Per campsite	Biodiversity	<p>Maintain or increase on-site biodiversity by planting native species, creating refuges for local animal species, and installing green or brown roofs where possible, and by minimising chemical inputs, light and noise pollution. (BEMP 3.8.2)</p> <p>Minimise light pollution and wildlife disturbance by installing timer- or sensor-controlled, efficient, and appropriately angled luminaries for external lights producing zero uplight. (BEMP 3.8.2)</p> <p>Minimise water consumption by planting native species and mulching, and by installing controlled irrigation systems fed with grey water where possible. (BEMP 3.8.2)</p>
3. Specific energy use per guest-night	kWh/guest-night	<p>Total energy use on the campsite per guest-night in terms of final energy.</p> <p>It must be clearly stated whether renewable energy generated on-site is included or not in the figure and this may also be expressed separately anyway.</p> <p>Energy used within buildings and kitchens may also be expressed separately as kWh/m²-yr and kWh/dining guest.</p>	<p>Per campsite (may be aggregated to organisation level)</p> <p>Per process</p>	Energy efficiency	Specific final energy use (excluding renewable energy generated on-site) is ≤ 2,0 kWh per guest-night. (BEMP 3.8.3)

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4. Percentage of final energy use met by renewable energy generated on site	%	This indicator is calculated as the percentage of the final energy used that is supplied by on-site renewable energy generation.	Per campsite (may be aggregated to organisation level) Per process	Energy efficiency	— (BEMP 3.8.3)
5. Use of certified renewable energy credits	(y/n)	This indicator expresses if the accommodation purchases off-site certified renewable energy (e.g. renewable electricity). The certification must ensure that the renewable energy purchased is not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix.	Per campsite (may be aggregated to organisation level) Per process	Energy efficiency	100 % of electricity is from traceable renewable electricity sources not already accounted for by another organisation or in the national electricity average generating mix, or that is less than two years old. (BEMP 3.8.3)
6. Water consumption per guest-night	L/guest-night	Water consumption is measured on the campsite premises over one year, and divided by the number of guest-nights. Water consumption for large swimming pools or restaurants serving a high proportion of non-residents may be excluded from this indicator for accommodation benchmarking.	Per campsite (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Water	Total water consumption of ≤ 94 litres per guest-night on fully serviced four- and five-star campsites, and water consumption of ≤ 58 litres per guest-night on all other campsites. (BEMP 3.8.4)

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7. Unsorted waste generated per guest-night	kg/guest-night	This indicator measures the amount of unsorted waste generated.	At least per camp-site or equivalent (may be aggregated to organisation level)	Waste Material efficiency	Total residual waste sent for disposal of $\leq 0,2$ kg per guest-night. (BEMP 3.8.5)

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