



TACIS pollution surveys

“Caspian Water Quality Monitoring and Action Plan for Areas of Pollution concern”

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The Tacis project “Caspian Water Quality Monitoring and Action Plan for Areas of Pollution concern (Caspian MAP)” has the pleasure to announce that it has successfully completed the Caspian pollution survey for Kazakhstan today.

The Kazakh pollution survey is one of the 4 regional surveys by the Caspian littoral states. The survey is part of the Tacis support to come to a Regional Water Quality Monitoring Programme under the Tehran Convention (Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Caspian Sea).

During these survey both water and sediment samples will be taken to determine status and trends in water quality. The samples will be analyzed by Kazakhstan State Utilities Enterprise (KSUE) “Analytical laboratory on Environment Protection”. This is a follow-up to the regional intercalibration exercise which was successfully held in the first part of 2008.

The foreseen Regional Water Quality Monitoring Programme is expected to include national monitoring programmes.

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