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Waste Management Action Plan for the Municipality of Prishtina

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Introduction

- Rapid urbanization = solid waste problem today.
- Perception of the people has always been that Local authorities are bound to keep their area clean.
 - For some time now, many municipalities, experimenting
 - Prishtina has enormous difficulties with garbage collection
 - Two main reasons: •
 - first local authorities do not have sufficient capacity to develop a waste management strategy and secondly
- there is not awareness of inhabitants over the importance of their role in the keeping city clean.



Composition of Municipal Solid Waste

Description

Vegetable, leaves

Grass

Paper

Plastic

Glass/ceramics

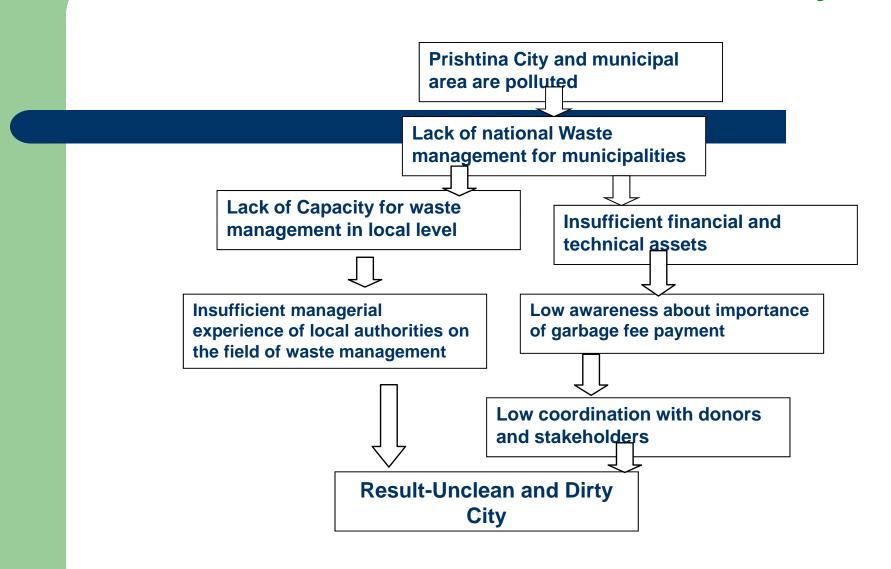
Metal

Stones/ashes

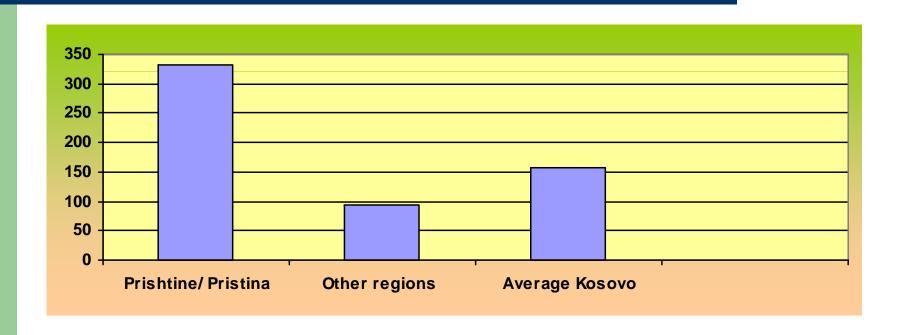
Miscellaneous



Problem analysis

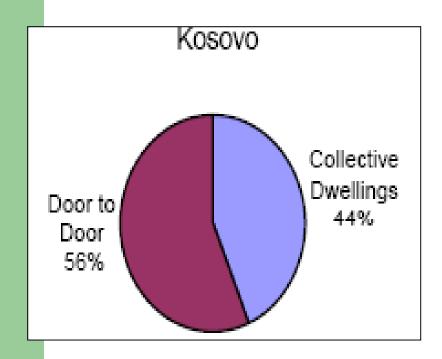


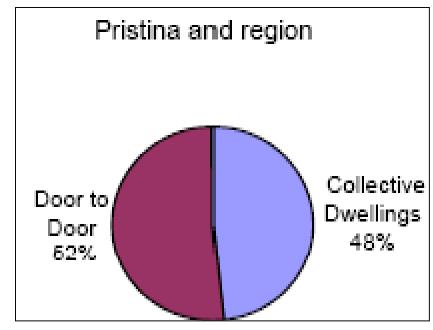
Current situation



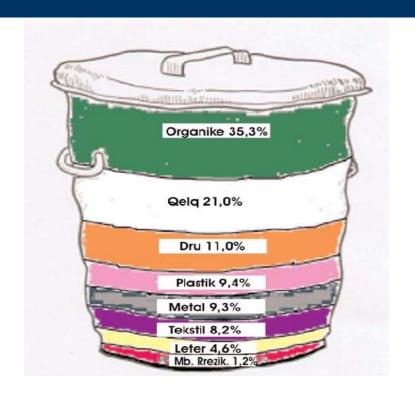
Garbage production in Prishtina and other regions (yearly /capita)

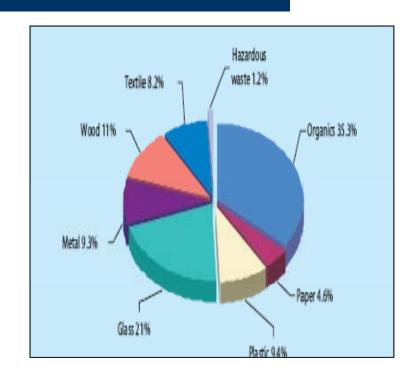
Amounts of municipal waste collected in Prishtina and Kosovo 2007/08 (kg/capita).





Amounts of municipal waste collected in Kosovo person/year. •





Current Situation- Quantities of SW in Prishtina

- Average per capita generation rate : 0,9-1.1 kg/day =aprox.396 kg/year
- Quantities of MSW generated in other regions :
 - 0.33kg/day = aprox.167 kg/year





- Mixed waste collection (door to door and collecting points)
- House to house collection just over 50%
- Old equipment and untrained staff
- Municipalities collect waste in city and around
- Direct transport of waste after collection to transfer stations and/or landfills





Mixed municipal waste (no separation at points of generation)

Key Issues Related to Waste Management

- Inadequate National Policy and Support •
- Lack of rules for management of municipal solid waste
 - Lack of Incentives for Environmental Management System
 - Absence of a Strategy •
 - Conventional approach •
 - Lack of institutional capacity
 - Lack of Public Cooperation •

Main Future Objective

• Better environment through improved waste management.





Specific Future Objectives

- Capacity building
- Waste separation and treatment of organic and no organic portions.
- Waste reduction, reuse and recycle strategy.
- Improve landfill sites to reduce their influence on the environment.

Recommendations

- Financial resources •
- Legal institutional framework
 - **Human Resources** •
 - **Technical Aspects** •
 - **Management Aspects** •

Financial resources

- Ensure sustainable financial resources •
- Provide Cost Effective Waste Management Service
 - Undertake a Detail Financial Investigation
 - Improve Payment of Service Tariffs
 - **Standardize Tariff Structure** •
- Initiative for establishment of fund for environment protection on local, regional and national level
 - Municipality, WWRO, Pastrimi Co, Government, Donors

Human Resources

- Re-organization of PoE –Pastrimi Co
- Training of staff for Pastrimi Co, Municipality and Ministry of Environment.
- Improve performance and rise responsibility
- Effective Structure of Human Resources
- Provide Effective Waste Management Service

Legal institutional framework

- **Developing solid waste management legislations**
 - **Setting fair tariffs** •
 - Developing bylaws and regulations for SWM •
 - **Creating and Enforcing Waste Inspectorate** •
 - Develop Penalty System for Illegal Activities •

Technical Aspects

- Purchase of new equipment for waste collection •
- Purchase of Vacuum Cleaner Vehicles used for cleaning of the roads and pavement
 - Purchase of new of new containers •

Management Aspects

- New structuring of Company
- Awareness among general public with regard to waste handling, reduction and treatment.
- Treatment of organic waste (food waste & animal waste)
- Minimize/Prevent Illegal Activities
- Improve Removal of Illegally Dumped Waste

Economical and environmental benefits

- Recycled newspaper uses 40% less energy.
 - Recycled glass uses 40% less energy. •
 - Recycled steel uses 60% less energy.
 - Recycled plastic uses 70% less energy.
- Recycled aluminum uses 95% less energy. •
- Every ton of newspaper or mixed paper recycled saves the equivalent of 12 trees.
- Every ton of office paper recycled saves the equivalent of 24 trees.
 - Every ton of steel recycled conserves 2,500 pounds of iron ore, 1,400 pounds of coal, and 120 pounds of limestone.

Recommendations

- 3R strategy to be enforced
- Awareness campaign and community approach
- Encourage private sector to invest in the field of solid waste management for better waste collection, recycling and treatment.

Recommendations - Waste trends (cont...)

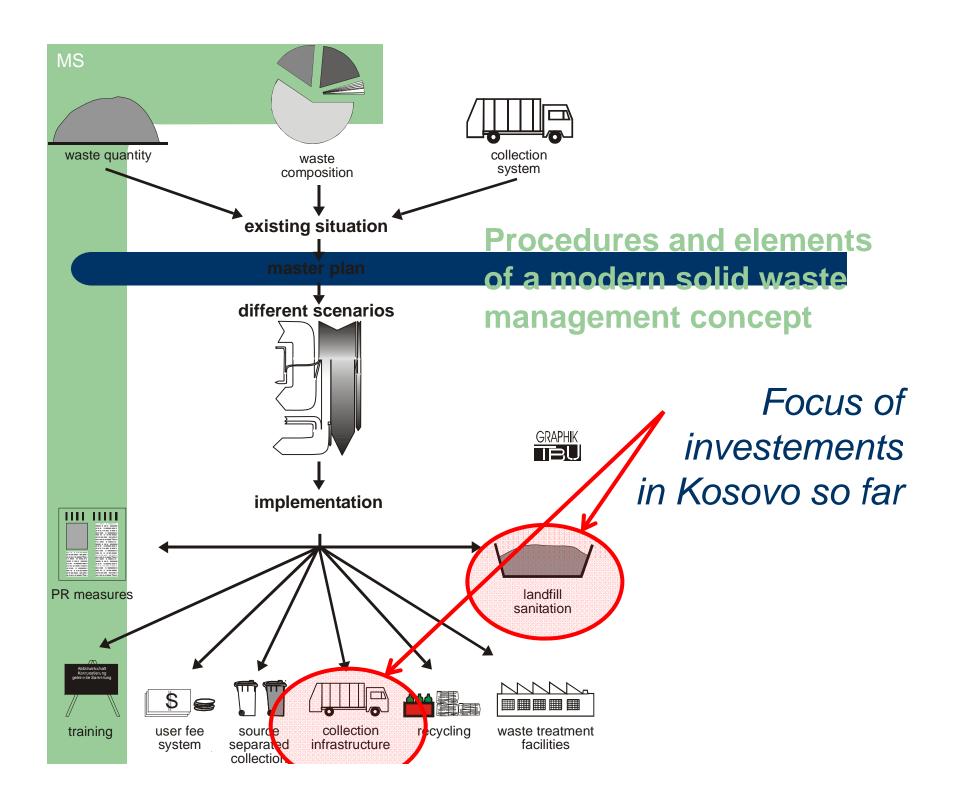
Performance indicators – progress to date		
Indicator	Desired direction of travel	Actual direction
Household waste per head (kg)	\	↑
Household reuse, recycling and composting (%)	^	x
Municipal waste recovery (%)	↑	Х
Public awareness of recycling (% - committed recyclers)	^	X

Recommendations (cont.)......

- To raise the ecological awareness of the citizens and to reduce their tolerance towards the solid waste;
 - To introduce ecological solid waste management; •
 - To initiate decrease and collection of industrial waste; •
- To initiate faster reformulation of the legislations for the hard waste and their implementation;
 - To improve the cooperation among state and local authorities, business sector and citizens at all levels

Total costs and timeframe

- Financial cost varies at about 1 684 00 Euro •
- That will ensure integrated waste management for the municipality of Prishtina.
 - This amount includes all relevant budgetary sources (Municipality, Central government, Donors, Pastrimi Co and other possible investors).
- The whole action plan should be implemented in three year 2010-2013

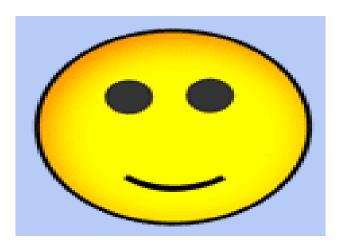






Questions?





Better Environment Through Cooperation



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