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JUSTICE AND ENVIRONMENT NEWS

A very warm welcome to our new team member from Slovenia, Ana Kovačič!

Ana joined our team in November and will be responsible for the coordination of the Article 3 Environmental Network. After a well-earned sabbatical and remarkable career as a journalist, she brings a wealth of experience and commitment to our network.

Annual Meeting of Centar za životnu sredinu

Due to the pandemic, the Annual General Meeting (AGM) has been held online for two consecutive years. This year, it was finally possible to meet in person, and it was a great success.

Ella Yazar's a new workmate!

Ella joined our team in the end of last summer (same time, she began). Since her chapter in Czech Rep. did not ask for her services, she stayed, she has not left something behind, she has left her heart in Czech Rep. and she is now working remotely for Czech Rep. and for the network. Welcome back, Ella! Ella is responsible for the Czech Rep. and for the Environmental Information Transparency.

Promoting EJ simultaneously more and people brought in

Our campaign promoting EJ simultaneously has brought many people into the network. Some of them are very active, some are just observing, but we are happy to have them.

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J&E TOPICS

AARHUS CONVENTION

In 2021, the Aarhus Convention Team of Justice and Environment consisted of Ella and Ana.

Ella's tasks in the implementation of the so-called **Aarhus Regulation** (which was amended in October 2021, the provisions on access to justice in environmental matters of the Aarhus Convention were applied to all decisions taken by the European institutions) and the **Aarhus Compliance Mechanism** (the EU institutions are supposed to implement the opinions and decisions given in which Member States are implicated, but also the EU institutions can be found to be in non-compliance themselves) were to continue **to monitor the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) and to inform the network about the Aarhus Regulation in details** by doing more administrative work than before. Ella was also responsible for the Czech Rep. and for the Environmental Information Transparency.

Ana's tasks were to **coordinate the Aarhus Convention Working Group** (AC WG) and to **prepare and organize the Meeting of the Parties** (MoP) to the Aarhus Convention. Ana was also responsible for the Slovenian Ministry of the Environment and for the Aarhus Convention and with it for the Environment and Health Protocol, the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers, the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment, the Protocol on Water and Health, the Protocol on Civil Liability and Environment. Keep checking our **Facebook page** for updates!

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- Environmental Information Transparency

Ella's tasks were to continue **monitoring the Aarhus** Convention and **promote** regularly information about the meetings and workings with other parts of the Aarhus Convention at **Czech Republic's Ministry of Environment**. Ella was also responsible for the Czech Rep. and for the Environmental Information Transparency.

Ana's tasks were to continue **promoting the Aarhus Convention** and its **implementation** in Slovenia. Ana was also responsible for Slovenia and for the Environmental Information Transparency.

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ENERGY

2021 activities focus on integrated approach when it comes to the energy transition, with focus on the Czech Rep. and on the EU level. Our activities focused on the EU's state aid and on other legal and strategic documents, such as the EU's Taxonomy, the EU's Strategy for Integration of Energy System, the EU's Strategy for Hydrogen, the EU's Strategy for Offshore Renewable Energy, the EU's Strategy for Smart Sector Integration, the EU's Strategy for Energy Storage, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable and Smart Mobility and its methodology for assessing its draft and its implementation, the EU's Strategy for Decarbonising Industry, the EU's Strategy for Clean Air, the EU's Strategy for Circular Economy, the EU's Strategy for Biodiversity, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Chemicals, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Food, the EU's Strategy for Adaptation to Climate Change, the EU's Strategy for Zero Pollution, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Textiles, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Construction, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Tourism, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Fisheries, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Forests, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Agriculture, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Transport, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Finance, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Consumption, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Production, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Consumption and Production, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Industry, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Innovation, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Investment, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Production, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Industry, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Innovation, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Investment, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption and Production, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption and Production and Industry, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption and Production and Industry and Innovation, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption and Production and Industry and Innovation and Investment, the EU's Strategy for Sustainable Development and Consumption and Production and Industry and Innovation and Investment and Consumption and Production and Industry and Innovation and Investment and Consumption and Production and Industry and Innovation and Investment