

CASE STUDY OF A SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL ATMOSPHERE/AIR POLLUTION PROGRAMME/STRATEGY

1. The problem or issue addressed:

The Czech legislation (Government Regulation No 350/2002 Coll.) set up ambient air quality standards (AQLV – air quality limit values), which are not met in all parts of the country. The effort to reach these LVs is arranged by programmes for „Air quality improvement“. Regional and local authorities, where AQLV are exceeded (including margin of tolerance), are obligated to elaborate the „Air quality improvement programme“, to attain AQLVs within the specific time limit in their region.

2. Name of the programme:

The formulation of the Methodical Instruction “Air quality improvement programme“ (targeted to the quality and effective programmes).

3. Timeframe: ___ years Year started: ___2004_____

4. Status: **Ongoing** Completed in year _____

5. Main objectives:

- Greater quality and efficiency of the programmes
- Specific effect (outcome) on the ambient air quality
- Improvement of the ambient air quality in the problematic regions

6. Lead institution: Ministry of the Environment

7. Other implementation arrangements and stakeholders involved (public, private, NGOs, CBOs, international support, etc.):

The Methodical instruction has been prepared by the company Ascend, s.r.o., which is active in the environment affairs (issues). The Meth. Instruction and first programmes elaborated under the instruction proposal were discussed with the representatives of regional and other responsible authorities.

8. The results achieved (if possible, please address the social, economic and environmental impacts of the programme):

The results and the environmental impacts of this ongoing project are at the very beginning. We have founded the project harmonizing the procedures targeted to the improvement of the ambient air quality in the regions with the insufficient ambient air quality as the very useful contributing tool of the air quality management.

These local air quality programmes have been incorporated into the regional programmes of which results will be subject of required reporting (96/62 EC).

9. The relationship of the programme to internationally agreed goals and targets:

Note: Kindly provide any appropriate facts, figures or charts that document the problem addressed and the results achieved. Noteworthy case studies may be published and/or summarized in UN publications as a means of sharing information on best practices.