

Implementation of biodegradable waste management policy in Latvia

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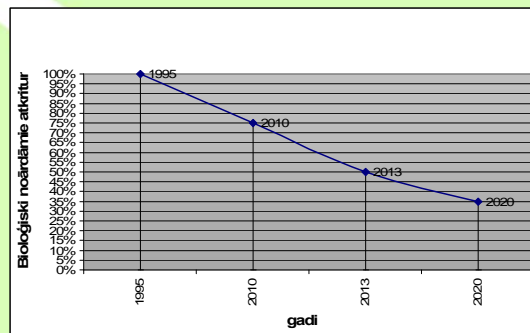
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Content of presentation

- Policy planning documents and their implementation
- Legislation of management of biodegradable waste;
- Implementation of legislation at municipal level

Waste policy planning documents

- State Waste management plan for 2006.-2012;
- 9 regional waste management plans for 2007/8-2013;
- Riga City waste management plan 2006 – 2012.



Results to be achieved

Decreased disposal to 75%	2010
Decreased disposal to 50%	2013
Decreased disposal to 35%	2020

Implementation of waste management policy

- Legal requirements
- Financial incentives
- Implementation of projects

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

- Law "On municipalities";
- Waste Management Law;
- Law on Natural Resource Tax

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

- Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No.985 "Regulations on places for waste collection and sorting places, and on places for composting of biodegradable waste" (01.09.2009.);
- Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No.474 "On construction of landfills, on management and closure of landfills and dumps" (adopted 13.06.2006);
- Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No. 362 "Regulations Regarding Utilisation, Monitoring and Control of Sewage Sludge and the Compost thereof" (02.05.2006.)
- Cabinet of Ministers Recommendation No.1 "Recommendations to municipalities for binding regulations on management of municipal waste"

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

Law "On municipalities":

- Municipalities are responsible for providing communal services to population, including management of municipal waste;
- order of issuing binding regulations;

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

- Waste Management Law:
 - responsibilities of state and municipal institutions;
 - Issuing of Cabinet of Ministers regulations and policy planning documents;
 - Biodegradable waste – part of planning documents at all levels;
 - Order of organising tenders for management of municipal waste, including management of biodegradable waste

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste/ financial incentives

- Law on Natural Resource Tax:
 - natural resource tax is paid for disposal of waste;
 - Gradual increase of tax
 - so far not directly applied to biodegradable waste (difficulties with classification and control of waste acceptance)

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

- Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No.474 "On construction of landfills, on management and closure of landfills and dumps" (adopted 13.06.2006):
- Waste acceptance criteria;
- Prohibition to accept certain fractions of biodegradable waste at landfills;
- Targets for decreasing of amounts of disposed biodegradable waste

- **Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No. 362 "Regulations Regarding Utilisation, Monitoring and Control of Sewage Sludge and the Compost thereof" (02.05.2006.)**

Includes requirements for use of sewage sludge and compost thereof:

- In land improvement in arable land
- In forestry;
- For land improvement of non-arable land ;
- Re-cultivation of degraded territories and landscapes;
- Quality requirements for sewage sludge and compost thereof

Main legal acts on management of biodegradable waste

- **CoM Recommendation No.1 "Recommendations to municipalities for binding regulations on management of municipal waste":**
- **Order of separate collection of waste;**
- **Provisions for composting of waste (back-yard composting, collection of biodegradable waste)**

Implementation of policy planning documents

- Application of EU Cohesion funds, to ensure implementation of regional waste management plans (appr.39 million lats);
- Development of separate collection systems for municipal waste, including composting;

Future developments

- Development of State and Regional Waste management plans for 2013/2014 – 2020;
- Implementation of provisions of Waste Framework directive;
- "end-of-waste" criteria;
- Criteria for application of compost from biodegradable waste;
- Incentives for separate collection and treatment of biowaste