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Batumi Action for Cleaner Air (BACA, 2016–2021)

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The Ministers will be invited to endorse the Batumi Action for Cleaner Air (BACA)

- And to voluntarily commit to implementing specific actions.
- On the road to ratification and implementation of the UNECE Geneva Air Convention and its protocols.
- International organizations, donors and non-governmental organizations are also invited to support actions that improve air quality, in particular capacity-building and technical assistance actions.
- Submission should be done by using the template, preferably by Monday, 9 May

Actions of general nature to be implemented at national level

- and constitute important starting point to characterize the sources of air pollution through *Establishment of monitoring activities and emissions inventories* (Chap. I; action 1-7) in line with the activities under the Air Convention ;
- It could also be considered as prerequisites for *improvement of public awareness* (chap. III; action 17-27) on the necessity to abate noxious emissions.
- For countries where data collection and assessment are at an early stage, expertise sharing would be welcomed as mentioned in Chap IV. *Capacity-building and technical support* (action 28-32).
- Partnerships with the private sector to promote the implementation of low emissions techniques could be explored, as well as the further development of the green economy.

Other actions are **specifically** required as starting points for cooperation

- to establish the common basis for cooperation through *Establishment of national programmes that reduce air pollution* (Chap. II; action 8-16)
- and to work towards the ratification and implementation of the amended protocols to the Air Convention, as mentioned in Chap. V *Policy* (action 33-39).