

**PROJECTION A NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK IN THE
CONTEXT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: LEGAL
ASPECTS**

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The article is dedicated to the study of legal aspects of the design of environmental network in Ukraine based on the concept of sustainable development. The analysis of national legislation in the establishment of environmental networks in accordance with international and European standards.

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Sustainable development is defined as the main direction of civilization in the twenty-first century. Basing achieve economically viable and ecologically sustainable use of natural resources, taking into account the basic ideas and principles enshrined in the Declaration of Rio de Janeiro on Environment and Development on June 14, 1992 and confirmed the resulting document of the UN Conference on Sustainable Development of June 22, 2012, Ukraine initiated a process of change, thus enabling the transition to sustainable development.

Sustainable Development Strategy declares to follow a system of nature, which would ensure both cost-effective, environmentally sound and socially equitable use of natural resources. He has been the goal must be accompanied by determination of basic directions of transformation of

public policy in accordance with the principles of the development and adoption of environmentally and socially oriented solutions. One of the strategic directions in implementing the strategy of sustainable development in Ukraine was determined to create a national ecological network.

The article aims to study the legal aspects of the design and creation of a national ecological network in the context of sustainable development strategies.

In 1995 the Council of Europe adopted the European Strategy for Biological and Landscape Diversity, which identified priority direction forming the Pan-European Ecological Network as a single integrated system of national conservation and restoration of natural resources across the continent. The main objective in the formation of the Pan-European Ecological Network should be the construction of an integrated system of natural and cultivated areas and conservation.

The legal basis for the formation and operation of the national ecological network in Ukraine is the Law of Ukraine «On Approval of the National program of national ecological network for 2000-2015» dated September 21, 2000, «On the ecological network of Ukraine» dated June 24, 2004 In accordance with the provisions of Laws and pursuant n. 9 Strategy of Ukraine's integration into the European Union in terms of creating a safe and a man-European ecological space, national ecological network defined component of the pan-European ecological Network.

Ukraine has the most advanced and detailed legislation on national ecological network of other European countries. However, some provisions of legal acts do not meet international and European standards in the design of structural elements of the National Ecological Network. In particular, based on the Concept of ecological network that incorporated European Strategy for the conservation of biological and landscape diversity, the idea of preserving different types of habitat (habitat) as

defined habitat types that are important for biodiversity European countries. At the heart of European programs under this concept (Natura-2000, Emerald) is the principle of allocation of the earth's surface, defined by certain properties or characteristics that correspond to the values of European conservation value.

The legislation of Ukraine were introduced several other criteria for establishment of ecological networks, largely made ecological network diagrams Ukraine incompatible with similar schemes European countries. Especially noticeable is manifested in the border areas, where there is a need to harmonize the structure of regional ecological networks of Ukraine to European.