

Inputs provided by: *(please provide the name of your organization)*

1. General description of mandates and objective(s) of your organization / associated network with institutional structure

Our mission

CENN's mission is to foster modern and sustainable development values and practices through bridging society and the environment. We strive to build a strong and responsible civil society, good governance and accountable business to safeguard our environment and improve people's lives.

Our vision

Work with communities and business to develop sustainable solutions to existing challenges
Be innovative and pro-active to respond to global and local environmental concerns
Provide open and effective multi-stakeholder networking
Be the strongest regional organization in the Caucasus

Our competence

Civil society development and institutional strengthening
Environmental research and policy
Resources management
Compliance management
Communication and environment

2. Relevant operational framework(s)

(Please provide information on the relevant operational framework(s) (e.g. programming principles, resource allocation strategies, coordination mechanism for operations at different levels etc.) within your organization/associated network as relevant to implementing work related to risk management for loss and management associated with climate change impacts)

CENN employs a number of strategies, mechanisms and principles that ensure their work is relevant to the impacts of climate change, these include:

- Stakeholder engagement
- Long term modeling of regional and local climactic change
- GIS mapping and analysis
- A highly active electronic network, with over 21,000 subscribers
- Operating methods of international best practice
- Electronic portals and website tools
- Implementation of pilot projects
- Community-based adaptation plans

3. Focus areas of risk management for loss and damage associated with climate change impacts

CENN is active in the following fields related to climate change (the links provided relate to specific projects,

which provide a clear indication of CENN's areas of work in relation to climate change):

- Disaster Risk Reduction (<http://drm.cenn.org/index.php/en/>)
- Gender and the Environment (http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Gender_and_Environment.html#1)
- Climate Change (<http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/uploads/files/USDA-CENN%20Training%20on%20Watershed%20Protection%20and%20Bioengineering%20Sept%2026-28,%202012.zip>, <http://climate.cenn.org/>, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Climate_Change.html#1, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Climate_Change.html#2, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Climate_Change.html#3)
- Resource Management (http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Resources_Management.html#3, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Resources_Management.html#2, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Resources_Management.html#20, <http://www.globalwaters.net/projects/current-projects/inrmw/>)
- Socio-economic Integration
- Compliance Management (http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Compliance_management.html#10, http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/programs/Compliance_management.html#11)

4. Geographic coverage

CENN is active in Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan. In addition CENN's electronic mailing list and membership of professional organizations brings it into contact with countries and actors from around the world, thus CENN regularly acts as an international dissemination point for climate change information on the South Caucasus.

5. Key stakeholders

Regional and national NGOs and CSOs; individual citizens; local and national governments of Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan; local and national businesses; local, national and international businesses active in the South Caucasus; independent environmental expert groups and commissions; and international environmental conventions.

6. Implementation modality / delivery mechanisms

Please provide information related to the technical, financial and institutional support mechanism

CENN works with a number of technical partners, clients and donors active in the field of climate change including (but not limited to):

- Adam Smith International (UK)

- Adelphi Research GmbH (Germany)
- APRODEV fund
- British Council (UK)
- Care International in the Caucasus (USA)
- CHF International (USA)
- Conservation International Foundation (USA)
- Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) (USA)
- East East Program of the Open Society Institute (OSI)
- Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Tbilisi
- Environmental Resources Management – ERM (UK)
- Eurasia Foundation (USA)
- European Commission
- Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst /EED
- German Technical Cooperation (GTZ) (Germany)
- Institute for International Cooperation of the German Adult Education Association (IIZ DVV) (Germany)
- Institute of International Education (IIE) (USA)
- ITC / University of Twente (the Netherlands)
- IUCN
- Jan Vrijman Fund (The Netherlands)
- MATRA - Civil Society Programme (The Netherlands)
- MDF – Training & Consultancy (The Netherlands)
- Mercy Corps
- Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment of the Netherlands (VROM) (The Netherlands)
- Open Society - Georgia Foundation (OSGF)
- Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- OSCE Mission in Georgia
- Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus (RECC)
- SAICM Quick Start Programme Trust Fund (UNEP)
- Save the Children (USA)
- Solidarity Fund for Youth Mobility
- Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
- Tbilisi-Tskali (Water Distribution)

- The Ministry of Productive Activities of Italy (Italy)
- The Municipal Development Fund of Georgia (MDFG)
- The Netherlands Commission for EIA (The Netherlands)
- UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
- UNDP/GEF
- UNEP/GRID-Arendal (Norway)
- United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development (USA)
- World Bank
- World Learning (USA)
- WWF

In addition to these organizations CENN is has membership of the following professional organizations including (but not limited to):

- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) – Member
- Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Disaster Reduction – Member
- Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaPCSF) National Platform – Member, Coordinator of the Third Working Group on Environment, Climate Change and Energy Security
- IUCN - International Union for Conservation of Nature – Member
- Eastern Europe and Central Asia GEF NGO Network - Regional Focal Point
- UNCCD (United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification) - CSO observer status to COP
- Partners for Environmental Cooperation in Europe (PECE) – Member
- PCFV - Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles – Member
- Green Climate Fund (GCF) – Observer organization

These partnerships and memberships allow CENN to provide information and assistance related to climate change in the South Caucasus to a global network of organizations active on the issue to climate change. They also allow CENN to collect international news and methods of best practice related to climate change, and disseminate it throughout the South Caucasus.

Please provide information related to reporting, if any

CENN reports all projects, work and deliverables to the public (via the CENN website <http://w3.cenn.org/wssl/>), interested parties and individuals (via the CENN electronic network, with over 21,000 subscribers), and project funders (via internal reporting mechanisms). CENN regularly publishes documents pertaining to climate change and actively participates in presentations, seminars and workshops throughout the South Caucasus and internationally.

CENN also maintains a number of annual reports and an effective institutional memory.

7. Key activities / outputs to date

2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN was accredited as an observer organization to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) • CENN joined the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (CCAC)
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN developed first Atlas of Natural Hazards and Disaster Risks and Web-Portal for Georgia • CENN became Chair of the Environmental Sub-Group of the Donor Coordination Group on Agriculture • CENN created portal of the Land Sensitivity Maps for Alazani-Iori (Geo-Az) and Khrami-Debeda (Geo-Arm) transboundary watersheds • CENN developed Climate Change Adaptation Plans for the climate hot-spot municipalities and regions in the Caucasus region • The number of the CENN electronic network subscribers exceeds 21,000
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN was elected as GEF NGO Network's Regional Focal Point (RFP) for the Eastern Europe & Central Asia Region • CENN in collaboration UNITAR and Ministry of Environment Protection of Georgia developed Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR) Model for Georgia
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN was elected as Co-Coordinator of the Thematic Working Group on Energy Security, Environment and Climate Change of the National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum • CENN became a member of the National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaPCSF) • CENN established Association of Tower Owners in Svaneti
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN became a member of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaPCSF) • CENN initiated Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Mitigation (CCADM) program in the Caucasus • CENN developed natural disaster hazard, vulnerability and risk maps for hotspot areas in Georgia • CENN initiated new program promoting modern DRM (Disaster Risk Management) technologies and methodologies in partnership with ITC Netherlands • CENN created sensitivity maps for Georgia (forestry, mining, water resources, fishery and POPs) • CENN developed land sensitivity reports and maps for Khrami-Debeda (Geo-Arm) and Alazani Iori (Geo-Az) transboundary watersheds

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN became member of IUCN • CENN obtained a Accreditation of GEF - Global Environmental Facility • CENN became a member of the GEF NGO Network • CENN became a member of the Working Group on Environmental Impact Assessment, under the UNECE ESPOO Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in Transboundary Context • CENN became member of Avalon Network
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN established: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Open Environmental Civic Initiative (OECI) for the Sustainable Development of Georgia that incorporates local groups active throughout the country and works on integrated natural resources management and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) issues – Rural Women Councils (RWCs) in Khrami-Debeda (Georgia-Armenia) and Alazani-Iori (Georgia- Azerbaijan) transboundary watersheds that work on women’s empowerment for sustainable natural resources management – Compliance Stewardship Council (CSC) for improved policy dialogue and sustainable development • CENN together with the OECI managed to prioritize DRR (Improvement of the system of environmental monitoring and prognosis) as one of three priorities in the Basic Data and Direction (BDD) document of the Government of Georgia for 2009-2012 • CENN initiated the Green Campaigns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Green Office, – Green School, – Green Bag, – Green Café • CENN obtained a CSO observer status for the UNCCD (United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification) • CENN became an NGO Focal Point SAICM - Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management • CENN became a Partner of the PCFV - Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN established: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Center for Journalists reporting on environment – Bakuriani Hotel Association • CENN signed Memorandum of Partnership with organizations acting in the fields of sustainable development and environment in the South Caucasus countries
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN established <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Bakuriani Tourist Information Center (TIC) – Samtskhe-Javakheti Public Information Center (PIC) – Kvemo Kartli Public Information Center (PIC)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Adjarian Youth Environmental Network (AYEN) • CENN organized the first Caucasus Independent Documentary Film Festival “Footprints” • CENN facilitates Kura-Araks NGO Forum
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN established: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Caucasus Youth Environmental Network (CYEN) – Public EIA Library • CENN became a member of the International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA)
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN established <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Energy Services Consumers Association (ESCA) in Tbilisi, Georgia – Bakuriani Public Environmental Information Center (PEIC)
2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First regional magazine “Caucasus Environment” issued • CENN established Bolnisi Public Environmental Information Center (PEIC)
2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN started large scale regional activities in the Caucasus region (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Russian Federation)
2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN was officially registered in Georgia
1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CENN created Caucasus electronic network • CENN started operation, Memorandum of Understanding was signed by the Caucasus environmental NGOs

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