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Legal implementation of EIA and SEA in Austria with special respect to the concentrated EIA-procedure and its possibilities to appeal

The presentation will show the main features of the EIA act (with focus on the actual amendment in 2009) and the EIA-procedure, like the definition of the screening-process, the benefit of the "concentrated" procedure, the parties involved and the role of various stakeholders (e.g. NGOs, the public, the Environment Agency Austria). Then the possibilities to appeal will be explained (interesting especially for NGOs, the public and the as well project developer).
There will also be information given about the legal implementation of SEA in Austria and the role of the Environment Agency Austria, which is a different one in contrast to the EIA procedure.
Depending on the SEA and the institution carrying out the assessment, the Environment Agency Austria can be involved in different ways. There will be shown examples, which role the Environment Agency Austria can take within SEAs (checking or developing the data/reports required). Moreover examples of SEAs that have been carried out and that are in progress at the moment will be presented, as well as a tool developed to provide support for SEA-participators.

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