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Caucasian Children Towards Development of Sustainable Environment

Current environmental considerations oblige us to attract wider public interest towards environmental challenges all over the world.

The 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development facilitated a constructive dialogues among policy-makers, practitioners, journalists, and scholars on environment, development, population, and poverty.

Children are mostly affected by environmental degradation in developing countries. Women and school teachers play important roles in environmental health education of kids. We should consider, that present lack of environmental education among the population of the countries with economic difficulties is one of the main obstacles toward proper and sustainable manner of life. In most cases school teachers in the countries with high rate of poverty do not have sufficient educational materials to provide efficient training of kids from early ages on environmental-health hazards.

It is already several years that our Center is developing children's environmental educational materials: cartoons, electronic publications, etc.

We are planning to present children's educational CD (Virtual Ecology for Children), which has been developed by the support of Swiss Agency for International Development/ REC Caucasus. The materials were developed by the leadership of our center with the participation of Armenian School (NGO) and Azerbaijani Center for Nature Protection (NGO) The CD is containing (English, Georgian, Azerbaijani and Armenian) educational materials for trainers and the kids of different age groups on:

- o Air pollution management, legislation, environmental health considerations, educational games;
- o Water pollution management, legislation, environmental health considerations, educational games;
- o Waste pollution management, legislation, environmental health considerations, educational games;
- o Hazardous chemicals management, legislation, environmental health considerations, educational games;
- o Biodiversity management, legislation, educational games.

The CD contains cartoons and videos of educational character. We will be pleased to hear wider professionals, public's, kid's opinion about our educational materials and make some possible improvement.

We will present audio/visual CD with appropriate comments.