

BIOGRAPHY

Personal data:

Family name Teriosina
First name Marija
Date and place of birth 4 November 1952, Lithuania

Education and current position:

I have an advanced university degree in chemistry (graduated from Vilnius University, Lithuania, in 1975)

Since 1976 I have been working with the environmental issues (in air protection area, environmental impact assessment, integrated pollution prevention and control, chemicals management)

Since 1993, the year when the Ministry of Environment was established, I have been working for this Ministry.

My current position – Head, Chemicals Division, Pollution Prevention Department.

I am a Focal Point for the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer.

Before my current position I was a chief specialist in the Environment Impact Assessment division of the Environment Protection Committee, a head of the Air Protection division of the Ministry of Environment.

My major responsibilities:

- development of the strategies for the implementation of chemicals management policies;
- development of the projects and programmes aiming at the implementation of the multilateral environmental agreements, inter alia, the Stockholm Convention and the Montreal Protocol;

- cooperation with the intergovernmental organizations inter alia UNEP, UNDP;
- interinstitutional and intersectoral cooperation and coordination in chemicals management including leading of the relevant working groups (EU legislation preparation, national legislation preparation, national positions preparation, national implementation projects preparation, etc.);

- participation in developing REACH and other chemicals legislation (like POPs and PIC regulations), coordination of these activities on the national level ensuring synergies with other related legislation like water and air protection, waste management;

- implementation of the EU chemicals legislation including transposition thereof into the national legislation, proposals for the appropriate national institutional strengthening, preparation of the national legislation and implementation/enforcement policies;

- preparation of the National Implementation plan for the implementation of the Stockholm Convention, National Plans on ozone depleting substances, implementation thereof;

Major experience/competencies:

harmonization of EU chemicals legislation with the national one;
participation in the negotiation process during accession to EU, preparation of the Lithuanian positions;
national input in the preparation and implementation of the PHARE projects on chemicals legislation and institutional strengthening;
“ coordination of the bilateral Swedish- Lithuanian 5 years duration project “Support to Lithuania on chemicals control”;
coordination of the Austria-Lithuania twinning project “Chemicals and GMO”, 2002-2003’
coordination of the activities related to the Montreal Protocol activities, coordination of the National Ozone Unit.
regulatory activities on air protection, environmental impact assessment and implementation thereof.