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Since 2003, with the informal setting-up of Justice and Environment (J&E) and even more so since 2004, when our association (also known as the European Network of Environmental Law Organizations) was officially incorporated, there has been a unique player in the field of environmental law in Europe.

J&E is special in many ways. First and foremost, its member organizations are specialized NGOs that provide pro bono legal aid in environmental matters in their respective countries. They do it full-time as their main engagement and not just as a side-activity to create a better image. Secondly, J&E focuses on the implementation of EU environmental acquis while its member organizations are very strongly rooted in their national and local civil societies, thereby having day-to-day contacts with those members of the public who daily struggle for a better environment. Hence the confidence of J&E, as it uses these facets to prepare high quality legal and implementation arguments on the European level. Yet J&E is not only a simple collection of these member organizations but a distinct entity with its own mission, vision and agenda on the European level.

I have the honour and privilege to be the Chairman of this unique organization since 2005. In the past years, I have seen J&E growing and become stronger, more respected and successful. Its legal opinions on matters of importance, such as the implementation of the Aarhus Convention, Environmental Impact Assessment in transport infrastructure projects, tackling of noise by legal measures, responding to the challenges of climate change with legal tools, etc., have all gained acknowledgment for J&E both at EU institutions and the large international NGOs networks. J&E experts have been many times consulted in issues relating to the implementation of EU
law in Members States and some of them fill important positions as advisers to EU or international bodies.

2009 has been another successful year in the life of J&E. We have accomplished our Annual Work Plan within which we have further analyzed the implementation of the Aarhus Convention on the European as well as the national levels, conducted a multi-country survey on legislative initiatives in climate change, uncovered the applicability of legal instruments in the fight against excessive noise and last but not least made a comparative study on European legislative developments in waste management. All those who are interested in these topics can find further details in the following pages, however, our conclusions and recommendations are worth studying also for non-lawyers and those concerned citizens who are simply interested in the regulation of their natural environment.

We hereby thank our donors whose contributions made our work possible, i.e. the European Union and the Ministry of Housing and Spatial Planning of the Netherlands. We believe that our work supports a more efficient enforcement of environmental law throughout the European Union, contributes to a better environment within Europe and empowers citizens and civil societies in their efforts to build a more sustainable future.

We believe that J&E has a unique place in Europe!

Dr. Csaba Kiss, Chairman
Profile, aims
Justice & Environment (J&E) is a European Network of Environmental Law Organisations, working in Europe and consisting of organisations from different countries dealing with environmental law solely or as one of their activities.
J&E aims for better legislation and implementation of environmental law on the national and European Union (EU) stage to protect the environment, people and nature. J&E does this by enhancing the enforcement of EU legislation through the use of European law and exchange of information on the national, cross-border and wider European level.
All J&E activities are based on the expertise, knowledge and experience of its member organisations. The members contribute their legal know-how and are instrumental in the initiation, design and implementation of the J&E work programme.

History
J&E was established in Brno, Czech Republic, in January 2003 as an informal association and with the provisional name Network of Central European Environmental Law Organisations (ELOnetCE). The informal network was subsequently incorporated in September 2004 with the name Justice & Environment (J&E). Having started in 2003 with four members, J&E today has twelve members – six full members and six associate members – in different European countries.

What do we do?
J&E uses legal tools for the identification of problems and to offer solutions for the implementation of EU or international environmental law. For this, we provide legal analyses of the implementation of certain directives or regulations in different EU countries, and prepare case studies to illustrate
the ‘real’ practice on the national or cross-border level. Results or conclusions from our work are often reflected in J&E position papers that provide clear information about problems or developments in certain areas of law, as well as J&E opinion on how to improve the situation.

J&E lawyers are experts in environmental law, experienced within their national legal systems and the challenges faced by their respective communities. J&E members often serve as environmental law ‘service points’ in their countries, handling cases from practice, but also participating in legislation processes and, in some cases, working closely together with their governments and providing legal analyses or advice for them.

At the European level, J&E uses its national experience and knowledge to identify common and/or systematic problems in the implementation of EU and international law. During the past five years, this has involved a series of topics, starting from the Aarhus Convention; which grants access to environmental information, public participation in environmental decision-making and access to justice in environmental cases; to legal challenges in mitigation and adaptation to climate change.

We inform national and EU authorities about our findings, trying to initiate discussion or legislative initiatives on relevant topics of environmental law. For that purpose, J&E co-operates with several stakeholder groups, such as the European Environmental Bureau (EEB), the Friends of the Earth Europe or the CEE Bankwatch Network.

How do we work?

All legal work is done by J&E lawyers, who at the same time work in J&E member organisations in their respective countries. J&E is managed by its Executive Committee, consisting of representatives of its full members and being led by the Chair of J&E, and a co-ordinator, responsible for day-to-day management of the organisation, assisted by a financial manager and accountant in financial issues.

In addition to full members, J&E has associate members who also participate in J&E activities, but are more loosely tied to it and do not take part in management of J&E.

Being an association, J&E meets one or two times a year at the General Meeting of members, where choices about strategic and work topics are made.

Members and staff

Current full members of J&E are:

Estonian Environmental Law Center (EELC, Estonia) – www.k6k.ee


Environmental Law Service (EPS, Czech Republic) – www.eps.cz

ÖKOBÜRO – Coordination Office of Austrian Environmental Organizations (ÖB, Austria) – www.oekobuero.at
Current associate members

- **Association for Environmental Justice** (AJA, Spain)
- **Centre for Legal Resources** (CRJ, Romania) – www.crj.ro
- **Front 21/42** (FYR, Macedonia) – www.front.org.mk
- **Independent Institute for Environmental Concerns** (UfU, Germany) – www.ufu.de
- **Milieukontakt International** (MKI, the Netherlands) – www.milieukontakt.net

**J&E and its members in Europe**

Full members in violet, associate members in green.

**Members of the Executive Committee were in 2009**

- Mr Csaba Kiss (Chair) (EMLA, Hungary)
- Mr Thomas Alge (Treasurer) (ÖKOBÜRO, Austria)
- Mr Martin Fadrny (EPS, Czech Republic)
- Ms Kärt Vaarmari (EELC, Estonia)
- Ms Tina Divjak (PIC, Slovenia)

J&E co-ordinator in 2009 was Mr László Pernecky.
J&E financial manager in 2009 was Ms Lucie Brešová.
The J&E team at the Annual General Meeting in Esztergom.
Access to Justice: International Conference in Brno

In 2009, Justice and Environment carried out a comprehensive project enhancing access to Justice in environmental matters (see also description of activities under ‘Aarhus Convention’). In the framework of this project and in co-operation with the Czech EU Presidency, an International Access to Justice Conference was organized where more than 80 experts from seventeen European countries, including judges and assistants from higher courts, lawyers of ministries, university pedagogues, attorneys and others, discussed their experiences with the practical application of the Aarhus Convention in their countries. The conference was held at the premises of the Supreme Administrative Court in Brno, Czech Republic during April 16 and 17, 2009.

Sir Robert Carnwath, Lord Justice of Appeal from the UK, Luc Lavrysen from the Belgian Constitutional Court and Prof. Jerzy Jendroska, member of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee presented their lectures. They included: the role of courts and judges with regard to the protection of the environment, the accessibility and efficiency of judicial protection or the application of the Aarhus Convention through EU law. The lectures were followed by working groups prepared by J&E lawyers, where the participants proposed possible solutions. The model cases reflected typical problems related to the legal protection of the environment before national and EU courts. This conference was J&E’s first major milestone of 2009 for its Aarhus Convention related activities.


In 2009, J&E carried out a shadow report in order to identify any shortcomings in the implementation of the EU directive related to the assessment and management of Environmental Noise (Environmental Noise Directive (END) 2002/49/EC). This Directive is a part of the acquis that aims to address the unacceptable burden of noise on the population. Quality of its implementation at the national level is essential for further planned measures aimed at reducing noise nuisance.

J&E is one of few NGOs that focuses on this problem and the only one that – at least so far – has came out with a thorough and representative gap analysis about shortcomings of implementation of the environmental noise directive in several member states. The J&E ‘shadow report’ is mainly addressed to the European Commission, Council and the European Parliament on the implementation of the Directive. The report outlines various problems that were identified and gives several policy recommendations or next steps required in the field of noise abatement policy.

The ‘shadow report’ was presented at a seminar on Noise Reduction Policies that was held on 23 November 2009 in Brussels; and was organized in collaboration with the European Environmental Bureau (EEB) and Transport & Environment (T&E). The seminar was attended by the representatives of several European NGOs, consultants and European institutions. The results of the study were well received and could be relevant background material for an analysis to be prepared for the EC with regard to the process of the END’s revision.


J&E Workshops and Meetings in Brussels, September 2009

In mid-September J&E lawyers met in Brussels and played an active role in various events. In a workshop, related to access to justice, J&E discussed the status of the 2009 Aarhus Convention work plan as well as legal issues that arose through J&E research and activities during the year. Another workshop was dedicated to the noise work plan.

The EEB law group meeting followed the J&E workshops and was organized by EEB in close co-operation with J&E. J&E led several sessions at the law group meeting, including: climate change, EIA/SEA, Environmental Liability, Environmental Crime, Environmental Inspections and, of course, Access to Justice. Furthermore J&E lawyers had meetings with DG–Environment officials regarding the Aarhus Convention and EIA.
International Activities

In 2009, J&E was mostly active in the following legal topics:

– Implementation of Aarhus Convention\(^1\); more specifically regarding issues of access to justice in environmental matters;
– Noise;
– Climate Change; and
– Waste.

While to a lesser extent the following topics received attention:

– Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA);
– Environmental Liability and Crime; and
– Environmental Inspections.

J&E chooses its legal topics every year, by considering their relevance in practice and the current political agenda, and in order to respond to real needs.

Aarhus Convention

In 2009, J&E carried out various activities relating to the aarhus convention’s access to justice provisions:

– A comprehensive comparative study regarding important aspects of access to justice in different countries was carried out; with a summary of the report it was published in a leading European environmental law journal (ELNI). As mentioned above J&E organized a conference on Access to Environmental Justice that was held in Brno (Czech Republic) in the framework and under the auspices of the Czech EU presidency in April 2009.

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\(^1\) The UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters was adopted on 25th June 1998.
A comparative analysis regarding costs of legal remedies was carried out, called the **Price of Justice report**. The report was discussed with NGOs, DG Environment and UNECE. Importantly this report has served as a bibliographic reference for the ongoing research to be completed by the UNECE Aarhus Convention Secretariat on costs and financial barriers of public participation.

An analysis of the so-called **EU Aarhus Regulation** (1367/2006) was published and discussed with NGOs and DG Environment. The resulting conclusions showed that the regulation does not have the desired effect in practice and would need to be further developed.

J&E analyzed the implementation of the Aarhus Convention’s ‘Public Participation in International Fora’ (Almaty) Guidelines and discussed the results in a stakeholder workshop in Austria in December 2009.

J&E lawyers filed two complaints to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee regarding the Slovak Republic and Hungary. This was an outcome of the research and experience during this and the previous years. Two more complaints regarding Austria and the Czech Republic will be submitted in the first half year 2010 based on the 2009 J&E studies and findings.

In addition, J&E carried out a brief **gap analysis of the SEVESO II Directive with regard to the Aarhus Convention**. The findings were reflected in the position of the EEB in December 2009 and a J&E position paper was submitted to DG Environment in February 2010.

### Noise

Following up on a 2006 needs assessment, the legal experts of J&E compiled the comprehensive **Make Some Noise shadow report** that covered our views on the low level of implementation of the Environmental Noise Directive (END). J&E is apparently the only NGO in the EU who was able to contribute to the process of the Directive’s revision. The results of our analyses, including the key problems in the implementation of the Directive, were communicated to stakeholders who play a role in the process of the revision of the Directive in meetings in September and November in Brussels. In Austria a conference was held regarding noise in the transport sector in November 2010, while in the Czech Republic J&E lawyers supported NGOs in litigation regarding noise limits.

### Climate Change

Climate Change being one of the most pressing challenges of our times triggers many parallel solutions. Law, as an important social institution, also has to take its part in coping with the phenomena of Climate Change within its own means. Thus, the development of Climate Change legislation in the respective countries was also closely followed by J&E and key findings were made available in a summary publication **Key findings of the reports on the development of climate legislation 2009**. J&E legally assessed all available climate legislation and policies in its member countries and actively participated in the respective legislative processes. And even though some draft climate bills were available, they were not adopted during 2009.

In the Czech Republic J&E monitored performance of the ten biggest industrial sources, participated in EIA procedures and litigated regarding Emissions Trading System’s shortcomings. In Hungary, J&E actively participated in the drafting of the Climate Change Bill, based on assignments from parliamentary institutions, however, the legislative process ultimately failed in February 2010. Despite the difficulty of the task J&E is devoted to the issue and continues to refine its role...
of being a legal hub for civil society organizations interested in Climate Change issues, and in 2010 will be supported by the European Climate Foundation.

**Waste**

The volume of waste ‘generated’ seems to be a good barometer of how our societies place consumption above and in front of all other activities sometimes. Legal measures are in place and have developed to date. However, their practical implementation does give rise to certain concerns. Nevertheless, after 2008, when J&E concentrated on the definite closure of landfills that do not conform with the requirements of EU environmental law – a very critical issue in the EU – in 2009 J&E substantially had to reconsider its priorities in the light of its upcoming tasks and available funding. The Aarhus Convention, Climate Change and Environmental Health issues were given a priority. Still a brief assessment of the new Waste Framework Directive in comparison with the previously prevailing one was carried out and J&E hosted a conference in Austria regarding the recycling of packaging waste (in particular beverage bottles) and had over 120 participants. Furthermore J&E participated in an Austrian stakeholder task force regarding the recycling of beverage bottles. In Hungary, J&E kept up its service as a consultative partner for NGOs interested in issues of waste management, such as the fair pricing of waste collection fees.

**EIA and SEA**

J&E further distributed its studies and findings at meetings and workshops with environmental organizations, DG Environment and other decision makers. Plus, J&E lawyers took part in various national EIA and SEA procedures and went to court. Notably, in Austria J&E actively participated in the legislative process amending the EIA Act.

In Romania, J&E, in co-operation with its Romanian associate member CRJ, has successfully completed a project called “Environmental impact assessment and strategic environment assessment – Process of transposition and implication at stakeholders’ level”. The project aimed at improving the transparency of public participation in the decision-making process on EIA/ESA procedures by the transposition and lawful enforcement of the European legislation. CRJ in partnership with Terra Millennium III Foundation and J&E organized three training sessions for a number of 75 judges, civil servants and representatives of NGOs from all around the country, and held an international conference on the transposition and implementation of the EIA and SEA directives in Romania, as well as produced a Guide for the public participation in the decision making process on environmental matters (http://www.crj.ro/download.php?fileID=phpxg6t7R.pdf).

**Environmental Liability and Crime**

J&E continued to monitor implementation of the Environmental Liability Directive 2004/35/EC², participated in national legislative processes, presented its view in workshops and conferences with lawyers, NGOs and DG Environment; and a J&E lawyer was invited to UNEP advisory council to assist with the finalization of the UNEP guidelines on environmental liability. J&E presented its findings regarding the Environmental Crime Directive³ in a workshop in Brussels.

**Environmental inspections**

J&E lawyers took the lead in developing an EEB position paper regarding minimum requirements towards the draft environmental inspections directive.

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National activities

In addition to being active on the international level, J&E members naturally work at the national level in their own countries. This helps us to be in close connection with real legal implementation practice at the grassroots level. National legal work can involve litigation in cases, participation in legislative processes, and organizing events for discussion of various legal issues, etc. The choice of what kind of approach is important in every country is made by the respective J&E member, considering their specific circumstances and capacities; and therefore guaranteeing that J&E’s work responds realistically to national needs.

Austria

In 2009 J&E, in co-operation with its member ÖKOBÜRO, carried out the following activities within the framework of its work plan in Austria:

Maintaining an Environmental Law Service Centre (ELSC) which provided – for free – legal advice and legal information (information texts and newsletters) with a focus on EIA and other environmental proceedings involving the public. Ninety-three Cases were handled altogether in the course of 2009.4

Promotion of the Aarhus Almaty Guidelines that are based on the Aarhus Convention and provide for recommendations with regard to public participation in international forums (for example an international conference on a convention with environmental relevance). J&E carried out interviews to find out about the current practice in Austria, organized a stakeholder workshop and developed recommendations for government and NGO stakeholders with regards to effective application of the Almaty Guidelines.5

Monitoring and Lobbying of transport projects towards the new member states; examples of J&E Austria’s activities in this area are the lobbying efforts on the A5 highway, together with J&E partner organisation EPS (Czech Republic), and a corresponding complaint to the Austrian Superior Administrative Court.

Lobbying relevant legislative processes at the national level. Mainly by taking part in compiling and disseminating position papers and by providing substantiated information to relevant decision-makers. Legislative proposals commented on by J&E included the EIA Act, the Transposition of the Environmental Liability Directive (federal and provincial ELD Acts), the Climate Change Bill and the Federal Roads Act.6

Conferences on Road Noise which focused on the results achieved through the existing road noise action plans – created by the various competent authorities – and on the prospects for improved noise protection in the future. Plus a conference on re-usable packing for beverages, that tried to build public and decision-maker awareness of the problem; and also illustrated how to create incentives for the use of re-usable packing.7

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6 For more information in German see: http://www.oekobuero.at/start.asp?b=443
Czech Republic
In the Czech Republic, J&E, in co-operation with its Czech member ELS carried out following activities:

Litigation regarding Human Health, Climate Change and Road Planning issues. In one case, J&E lawyers, in co-operation with ELS, supported a group of local citizens from Olomouc in a successful court case against the state over a road causing above-limit noise; and in a second case J&E participated in EIA proceedings about the modernization of the Prunerov II power plant.8 Also, ELS and J&E lawyers took a case against the Spatial Development Policy to the Supreme Administrative Court. This was in order to enforce responsible planning of the R52 road, specifically its Brno – Vienna part – and the road was eventually excluded from the Transportation Operation Programme’s financial plan).9

Capacity building. A J&E lawyer, through ELS, co-operated with young lawyers, students of law, and volunteers, whose main activity was to help run ELS Consultation Centre. This centre deals with and answers enquiries in the area of environment protection and administrative law, but also helps to update and create new materials – such as: analyses, forms, FAQ, helping in strategic cases, etc. Work with volunteers is very important as they help us to make our work more effective and at the same time the students get valuable practical experience.

Hungary
In Hungary, J&E, in co-operation with its Hungarian member EMLA, has provided legal aid to citizens and civil society organizations in environmental matters throughout the whole of 2009. A number of legal studies (shorter and longer ones) were prepared in connection with legal cases before Hungarian administrative and judicial bodies. These cases concerned areas such as: waste management, air and noise, climate change and public participation. Complementing this activity, J&E kept all those substantive legal decisions in its cases, where it provided advice and representation, uploaded and available at the www.emla.hu website10.

While J&E is not running an officially recognized educational activity in Hungary, it has engaged in many ways in educating and training the members of the public and raising their awareness with regard to the implementation of EU environmental law. Such occasions included lecturing to students at law faculties, participating in a “clinical legal” education programme (Freedom of Information legal clinic), discussing matters of importance with representatives of environmental NGOs and also raising the awareness of individual clients who learn about legal issues through their own cases11. Promotion of public participation in the society is a core mission of J&E in Hungary; therefore we consider almost every one of our activities to qualify as such.

Alongside with these activities, a number of primary and secondary legislative initiatives, that concern the environment, were read and evaluated by J&E. National, as well as international, meetings were on the list of those events where J&E have participated in Hungary, and that had relevance regarding the implementation of EU environmental law12.

8 For more information: http://eps.cz/cz2213429pr/pripady/
9 For more information: http://eps.cz/cz2054582pr/pripady/
10 http://www.emla.hu/ekd/
11 http://emla.hu/brandnewsite/index.shtml?x=1696
12 http://emla.hu/brandnewsite/index.shtml?x=1652
**Slovakia**

In Slovakia, J&E, in co-operation with its Slovakian member VIA IURIS, carried out following activities in 2009:

**Legislative activities** focussed primarily on citizen’s participatory rights in decision-making, notably those with a strong influence on health, privacy and environment; and specifically EIA law and the Building Procedure Code. J&E presented a complaint to European Commission about non-compliance with EU Directive 23/35/EC, followed by an infringement procedure from the Commission. As a result, the Slovak Parliament passed an amendment to the EIA Act that re-introduced the participation of environmental NGOs.\(^{13}\) Also, J&E has analyzed the draft proposal of the new Building Procedure Code, prepared comments and mobilized the public. Our comments gained the support of twenty environmental NGOs and as a result the government’s new Building Code proposal has been withdrawn from the Parliament.\(^{14}\)

**Legal advice in those cases and consultations regarding Aarhus Convention related rights** has also been covered; notably with regard to issues of transparent management of public finances, municipal environmental management and transparency of municipal decision-making. J&E lawyers, with VIA IURIS, covered eight complex cases and in five of them a positive decision has been delivered. For example in the case of the waste incinerator, opposed by 1,000 inhabitants of Šenkvice village who signed petition, after the engagement of J&E the municipal parliament has withdrawn its support to the project and the municipality is in the process of changing the land-use plan to remove the incinerator from this planning document.\(^{15}\) Another important case covered by J&E and VIA IURIS lawyers was the Pezinok Landfill where the company operating the landfill has been dumping the waste despite the decision of the Supreme Court that its permit is illegal.\(^{16}\)

**Web-based legal support** devoted to providing an easy-to-use know how for those struggling with noise nuisance and violations of Aarhus convention related rights, so-called „First Legal Aid“ will guide through relevant processes, provide useful legal arguments, templates, examples of cases, web-links to legislation and other useful information.\(^{17}\)

**Estonia**

In Estonia, J&E, in co-operation with its Estonian member EELC which was established in November 2007 and was in 2009 still in the beginning phase with its activities. With J&E help, EELC developed its strategic planning, internal management etc. More information about EELC and its activities can be found at its website [http://www.k6k.ee](http://www.k6k.ee).

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\(^{15}\) For more information see: [http://www.viaiuris.sk/zobrazenie/a/senkvicania-su-proti-planovanej-vystavbe-spalovne/](http://www.viaiuris.sk/zobrazenie/a/senkvicania-su-proti-planovanej-vystavbe-spalovne/)


\(^{17}\) First Legal Aid and a new web page should be launched in June 2010, partial outputs can be found on the current VIA IURIS web (only in Slovak): [http://www.viaiuris.sk/pravo-pre-lud/](http://www.viaiuris.sk/pravo-pre-lud/) [pravo-na-priaznive-zivotne-prostredie/](http://www.viaiuris.sk/pravo-na-priaznive-zivotne-prostredie/)
Slovenia

Free legal aid: In Slovenia, J&E, in co-operation with its NGOs and civil initiatives that are active on the environmental, nature conservation and physical planning field. We have received more than 30 questions regarding different environmental problems (air and noise pollution, waste problems, light pollution, water, emissions, usage of pesticides, public participation in different environmental procedures…).

J&E prepared a notice before action for one of environmental NGOs, because a year after their application Ministry of Environment still did not grant them the status of ‘NGOs acting in the public interest’, even though the deadline for a decision is 30 days according to the Slovenian Administrative Procedure Act. After this intervention the MoE started granting the aforementioned status to other environmental NGOs as well and so now fulfils the conditions set out in the Environmental Protection Act.

Capacity building for NGOs / Aarhus: J&E organised a seminar “Active NGOs – for a better environment” where Slovenian and European environmental legislation and international treaties were introduced to environmental NGOs and the interested public. The presentations included: access to environmental information; the environmental liability directive and its possible usage; the PRTR register, its intention and usage; administrative and judicial protection; presentation of a strategic litigation case; Aarhus compliance committee and the usage of legal remedies on international level in environmental procedures. An additional four workshops were conducted on the regional and local level. Participants of the workshops were introduced with Slovenian and European public participation legislation through different environmental procedures and with legal remedies that can be used in cases, where the rights of the public and/or NGOs are violated.

Climate Change: J&E continued with its’ activities regarding the EU Emission Trading Scheme, by promoting more effective emission trading for the public, NGOs and operators. As such four round tables in different parts of Slovenia, focusing on cities with the highest air pollution, were conducted. Before each round table a brochure and a questionnaire about emission trading and its pros and cons were sent to selected operators of installations, with the intention to get as much information about their activities in EU ETS as possible. The data gained was used in the presentations and discussions during the round tables.

18 http://www.pic.si/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogcategory&id=58&Itemid=161
J&E produced a number of publications as an output of our projects. All J&E publications can be found on the website [http://www.justiceandenvironment.org/publications/](http://www.justiceandenvironment.org/publications/)

**Aarhus Convention**

- Comprehensive comparative study regarding important aspects of A2J – Selected problems of the Aarhus Convention application: report

- Legal toolkits for certain aspects of A2J

- Price of Justice: international comparative analysis and national overviews of price of justice in:
  - Austria
  - Czech Republic
  - Croatia
  - Estonia
  - Hungary
  - Romania
  - Slovakia
  - Slovenia
  - Spain

- Legal analysis about implementation of the ‘Aarhus Regulation’ (1367/2006): Request for Internal Review in practice

- Position paper about relations of Aarhus Convention and SEVESO Directive

- Austria
  - Recommendations for Almaty guidelines
- **Czech Republic**
  - Contribution to the analysis, financed by OSF Prague, dealing with the efficiency of judicial protection (preliminary measures)

**Air and Noise**

- **Make Some Noise** – international shadow report on the implementation of the Environmental Noise Directive

- **National overviews about implementation of the END in 6 countries:**
  - Austria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Slovakia and Slovenia

- **Hungary**
  - Legal analysis of the national legislation on the implementation of the Environmental Noise Directive.
  - National legal toolkit on how to battle noise in Hungary.

- **Czech Republic**
  - Analysis TEN–T revision process & application of the SEA Directive

- **Slovakia**
  - Manual on Noise Nuisance Combating – Guidelines for Active Citizens

**Climate Change**

- **National Reports on Climate Legislation from Austria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary and Slovenia**

- **Development of Climate legislation – Key Findings**

- **Czech Republic**
  - „Action toolkit“ for NGOs – comprised of detailed case study on the Prunerov II and short recommendations on how to use the existing environmental law tools for CO2 related litigation (in Czech)
  - English summary of the Prunerov II case as well as information about the recent development
  - Analysis of the draft No. 961/0 (amendment of the Czech ETS Act no. 695/2004 Coll.)

**Waste**

- **An analysis of the new Waste Framework Directive and a comparison with the formerly prevailing waste management legal framework of the EU**
Our financial year ran from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009.

**Income & Expenditure**

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