

# **Directorate of Environment and Natural Resources of Autonomous Republic of Ajara**



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## Directorate of Environment and Natural Resources of Autonomous Republic of Ajara

- Directorate is the Sub-governmental entity of the Ajara A.R. Government. Its main objective is to promote of integrated environmental monitoring and sustainable management of forests in the region. Important activities are carried out for geological monitoring, coastline protection and environmental awareness rising.
- Along with the rapid economical growth in the region – the use of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection stays the main challenge for the directorate.
- To meet its objectives directorate collaborates with various national and international, governmental and non-governmental organizations.



## Mission of the Directorate

### *Sustainable Development of Natural and Social Environment in Ajara*

- Improvement of state of environment;
- Sustainable management of forest;
- increase of public environmental awareness.



## Primary objectives

- Improvement of drinking and surface water quality
- Improvement of air quality
- Monitoring of Geological processes and implementation of respective environmental measures
- Improvement of institutional system for waste management
- Sustainable forest resources management
- Protection of the Black Sea from pollution
- Biodiversity Conservation ;
- raising of public awareness on environmental problems .



## Priority Activities for 2012-2014

- Rehabilitation of water supply system in the rural areas and arrangement of wastewater treatment facilities
- Construction of the new sanitary landfill and establishment of unified solid household waste collection system
- use of potential of renewable energy sources (wind, water, biomass, solar)
- Marine and River coastal protection works and prevention of soil erosion and landslides
- Establishment of seedling nurseries for reforestation and protection of forest against forest pests and diseases.
- Inventory of monuments of nature in Ajara and raising of public awareness;