



## PROJECT INFORMATION

### Implementation and enforcement of EU Regulations in Bulgaria - Focus: Refrigeration and Air conditioning equipment

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Supermarket refrigeration  
system

Photo: HEAT GmbH

#### Background

As a member of the EU, Bulgaria has committed itself to incorporate the *Acquis Communautaire* into its national law. This also applies to those regulations that deal with fluorinated greenhouse gases (F-gases) and ozone-depleting substances (ODS). When enforcing these regulations, the Bulgarian Ministry of Environment and Water as well as supervisory authorities and certification bodies are confronted with the challenge of tracking the entire life cycle of F-gases and ODS containing refrigerants including imports and exports. Furthermore they are interested in information about replacing technologies that use alternatives to F-gases.

#### Project details

The overall objective of this project is to enable the relevant Bulgarian actors to effectively and efficiently implement and enforce the EU regulations on F-gases and ODS. During a study trip to Germany and two workshops, knowledge and experiences will be exchanged and the acceptance and implementation of replacing technologies in Bulgaria will be improved. Furthermore, monitoring and inspection processes of the placing on the market of F-gases and ODS as well as of products that contain these substances will be practiced together with the Bulgarian actors. Several guidelines will be developed with the intention to support Bulgaria in refining legislation and administrative regulations, certification processes, education and training programmes as well as the reporting system for monitoring emissions, in order to reach the objectives of the EU regulations on F-gases and ODS.

Target country: Bulgaria

Duration: 01/2015 – 03/2016

Beneficiaries: Ministry of Environment and Water (MoEW), certification bodies, service personnel

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