



# ELD Multi-Annual Rolling Work Programme (MARWP) 2021-2024

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# Purpose and structure

- Prevention and remediation of environmental damage
- Implementation of the polluter pays principle
- Extension of the ELD application
- Supporting national administrations and operators
- Researching issues relevant to ELD implementation
- Structured into the three major working areas,  
in continuation of last MAWP 2017 - 2020



# The three working areas

- **Support the implementation** of the ELD so that the potential of the ELD is significantly better exploited and the ELD is used more evenly across all Member States
- **Promote the availability of financial security** for ELD liabilities across the EU, so as to ensure that potentially liable operators covered by strict liability have sufficient financial capacity to meet their liabilities
- **Provide better quantitative and qualitative information** relating to the application of the Directive to improve its correct application and to better identify where support or changes are needed

# Support implementation

*Working area 1: Supporting tools and measures for more even and increasing implementation of the ELD*

## **Key activities:**

- Guidance or interpretative notices on key issues
- Training programmes
- Help(desks) for practitioners, providing information, assistance and assessment support for risk and damage evaluations

# Promote financial security

*Working area 2: Ensuring sufficient availability and demand for financial security to cover ELD liabilities*

**Key activities: Follow-up to Financial Security study 2019/2020**

- Facilitate enforcement of the ELD by competent authorities
- Consideration (for COM) of follow-up measures to ensure that sufficient and secure financial security is available to cover ELD liabilities
- Consideration (for MS) of follow-up measures to ensure that sufficient and secure financial security is available to cover ELD liabilities

# Provide better information

*Working area 3: Provide better information relating to the application of the Directive*

**Key activities from 2021 to 2022:**

- Re-assessment of the data in the country fiches
- Implementing the ELD Information System
- Organisation of the collection of information according to Article 18(1)  
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# Stakeholder engagement

Following from the Commission report 2011 and the ELD implementation study 2011, the Commission launched measures to improve exchanges and communication with and between the ELD-relevant stakeholder groups with the 1<sup>st</sup> ELD Stakeholder and Practitioner Workshop of 8 November 2011.

Around every 18 months an ELD stakeholder workshop or conference with 60 – 160 participants took place in Brussels on various themes. The ELD stakeholder events turned into the main vehicle for stakeholder engagement at EU level over the past years.

The last one on 5<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 was dedicated to review the progress on the implementation of the ELD Multi-Annual Work Program 2017-2020 (“mid-term review”) and to look into the future of the ELD work programme and developments.



# Conclusions and outlook

*“The MARWP aims at improving implementation and at ensuring that legal commitments deliver the intended results on the ground. Moreover, the MAWP will help setting the frame for the next evaluation of the ELD in 2023 and the Commission assessment on whether it needs revision at some point.”*

*“The current MARWP covers the period 2021 to 2024, ... . It is a rolling work programme, which is open for annual review and adaptations according to the needs and interim results of the work, including from studies or other deliverables from external contractors. The Commission will support the activities as necessary and feasible through contracts. The MARWP will be reviewed in 2024 by the Commission together with the Member States and stakeholders, ... .”*

# Comments and questions

# Thank you

<https://ec.europa.eu/environment/legal/liability/index.htm>

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