

Make the Switch to Sustainable Consumption and Production for Circular and Green Economies at country-level

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) offers to provide advisory services and technical support to Country in planning, developing and implementing a SwitchCountry programme to promote Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) policies and initiatives among consumers, small and medium-sized enterprises, civil society and policy-makers. The Country and UNEP will kick-off the process with bilateral meetings to discuss possible collaborations on the development of a program to raise awareness and promote Sustainable Consumption and Production through the development and implementation of a national action plan (SCP-NAP).



The EU-funded SwitchMed programme assists eight countries in the southern Mediterranean to switch to sustainable patterns of consumption and production and supports national and regional stakeholders in achieving productive, circular, and sharing economies in the Mediterranean. The SwitchCountry approach is based on successful development and implementation during SwitchMed.



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Sustainable Consumption and Production National Action Plan (SCP-NAP):

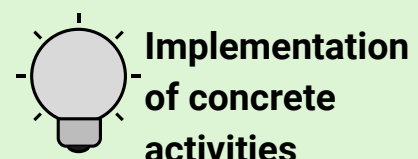
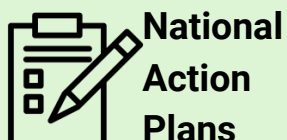
The action plan will focus on national priorities in resource efficiency and natural resources in strategic sectors, identified based on the extent of their significance to economic development and human welfare. The government will coordinate a participatory and consultative multi-stakeholder approach. The SCP-NAP will be part of the Country's efforts to achieve Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 12.1).

SwitchCountry draft roadmap:

One of the main objectives of this roadmap is to prepare the establishment of a participatory approach and a proactive stakeholder engagement platform to design and produce the required action plan. This platform will create communication channels with all relevant stakeholders to gather feedback, collect data, receive contributions and obtain guidance on how to improve the process of designing and producing the action plan. It is essential to emphasize that from the beginning on this process is a dynamic and an evolving one and has to be flexible, transparent, all-inclusive and participatory

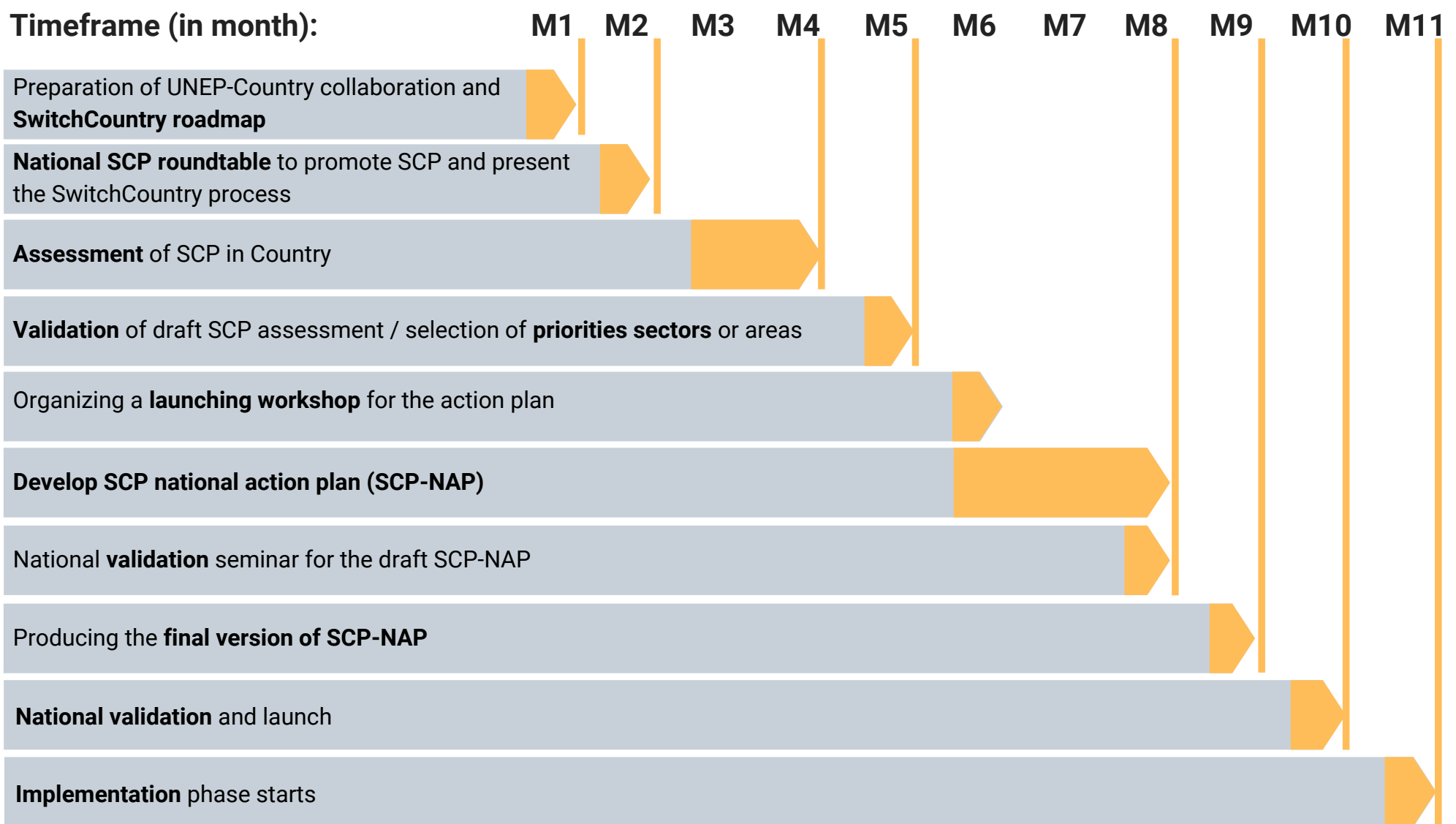
Project Description & Activities:

The importance and the scope of the action plan requires the designing of an extensive consultation processes with a wide range of relevant stakeholders to insure credibility, validity and successful implementation of the action plan. Organizing a national SCP roundtable or SCP expo could participate in assuring such inclusive national owner and leadership.



The main steps to be undertaken to support the drafting of the SCP national action plan are:

- Preparation of UNEP-Country collaboration and SwitchCountry roadmap;
- Organize a national SCP roundtable to promote SCP and present the SwitchCountry process;
- Assessment of SCP in Country;
- Presentation and validation of draft SCP assessment and decide on priorities sectors or areas for SCP-NAP;
- Organizing a launching workshop for the action plan;
- Develop SCP national action plan for a limited number of priority areas/sectors;
- National validation workshop for the draft SCP-NAP;
- Producing the final draft of the SCP-NAP based on the consultation process;
- National validation and launch;
- Implementation of concrete activities on the ground.



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