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ABBREVIATIONS

AMEL	Athens Metro Operating Company
AMVH	Alternative Management Vehicle Hellas
BSEC	Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organisation
BSEC -HDF	BSEC Hellenic Development Fund
CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage
CEE	Centres of Environmental Education
CEFIC	European Chemical Industry Council
CLP	Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CP-RAC	Cleaner Production Regional Activity Center
CSF	Community Strategic Framework
CRES	Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving
DEPA	Public Gas Corporation
DG	Directorate-General
DNA	Designated National Authority
ECB	European Central Bank
ECHA	European Chemicals Agency
EEE	Electrical and Electronic Equipment
EEKXM	Scientific and Educational Centre of Chemical Engineers
EFET	Hellenic Food Authority
EFSA	European Food Safety Authority
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIONET	European Environment Information and Observation Network
EIPA	Environmental Impacts Pre-Assessment
ELINYAE	Hellenic Occupational Health and Safety Institute
ELSTAT	Hellenic Statistical Authority
ELVs	End of Life Vehicles
EMAS	Eco-Management and Audit Scheme
EOF	National Organisation for Medicines
EPBD	Energy Performance of Buildings Directive
e-PER	National Network of Environmental Information
EQS	Environmental Quality Standards
ESD	Education for Sustainable Development
ESYD	National Accreditation Council
ETHEL	Thermal Buses Company (metropolitan Athens bus company)
EU	European Union
EUR	Euro
EYEP	Hellenic Environmental Inspectorate
GMEA	Greek Mining Enterprises Association
GCSL	General Chemical State Laboratory
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GHG	GreenHouse Gas
GHS	Globally Harmonised System
GMEA	Greek Mining Enterprises Association
GPP	Green Public Procurement
GREC	Group of Energy Conservation
GSRT	General Secretariat for Research and Technology
HACI	Hellenic Association of Chemical Industries
HEI	Hellenic Environmental Inspectorate
HELPE	Hellenic Petroleum
HTSO	Hellenic Transmission System Operator S.A
ICE	Internal Combustion Engine
IFCS	Intergovernmental Forum on Chemical Safety
IGME	Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration
ILO	International Labour Organization
ILPAP	Electric Buses of Athens & Piraeus Area
IMO	International Maritime Organization

IPP	Integrated Product Policy
IPPC	Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control
ISAP	Athens - Piraeus Electric Railway (Athens Metro Line 1)
JMD	Joint Ministerial Decision
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
LRTAP	Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution
LULUCF	Land Use, Land Use Change and Forests
MD	Ministerial Decision
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MRL	Maximum Residue Level
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheets
NAP	National Action Plan
NCESD	National Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development
NGOs	Non-Governmental Organisations
NOA	National Observatory of Athens
NOAMPOW	National Organisation for the Alternative Management of Packaging and Other Waste
NSRF	National Strategic Reference Framework
NSSG	National Statistical Service of Greece
OASA	Metro Athens Urban Transport Organization
ODA	Official Development Assistance
ODS	Ozone Depleting Substances
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OJG	Official Journal of Government
OPESD	Operational Programme "Environment and Sustainable Development
OPs	Operational Programmes
OSE	Hellenic Railways Organization
PAHs	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PCBs	Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PD	Presidential Decree
PIC	Prior Informed Consent
POPs	Persistent Organic Pollutants
PPC	Public Power Corporation
PPCR	Public Power Corporation – Renewables S.A
PPP	Private -Public Partnership
R&D	Research and Development
REACH	Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals
RES	Renewable Energy Sources
ROM	Run-Off-Mine
RTDI	Research, Technological Development and Innovation
S&T	Science and Technology
SA	Société Anonyme
SCR	Selective Catalytic Reduction
SDIs	Sustainable Development Indicators
SEAs	Strategic Environmental Assessments
SMEs	Small and Medium Enterprises
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNEP-IRPTC	UNEP's International Registry of Potentially Toxic Chemicals
WEEE	Waste of Electrical and Electronic Equipment
WFD	Water Framework Directive
WSR	Waste Shipment Regulation
YEKA	Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change
YPEPTH	Ministry of Education, Lifelong Learning and Religious Affairs