

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO IRAQ: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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AIM OF THE PROJECT

- **PROVIDE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE OF MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**
 - EMPHASIS ON DEALING WITH CHEMICAL, OTHER INDUSTRIAL AND MILITARY POLLUTION
 - MANAGEMENT OF NATURE PRESERVES
 - INTRODUCING IRAQ'S MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

THE PROJECT

- STEMS FROM THE BROADER NECESSITIES OF
 - SUSTAINABILITY
 - SECURITY
- HELPS TO IMPLEMENT THE PRINCIPLES OF
 - GOOD GOVERNANCE
 - PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT OF COMPLEX ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS


PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- PROVIDING WRITTEN AND ON-SIGHT EXPERTISE TO THE IRAQ'S MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
- STUDY VISIT OF CIVIL SERVANTS OF IRAQ'S MoE TO LATVIA TO LEARN AND EXPLORE
 - MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICALLY POLLUTED SITES
 - ADMINISTRATIVE AND INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT OF NATURE PRESERVES
- PROVIDING FOLLOW-UP CONSULTATIONS

CHALLENGES

- SUSTAINABILITY OF THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS DUE TO A NUMBER OF ISSUES:
 - GENERAL DICHOTOMY OF PHYSICAL SECURITY VS SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT,
WHICH THEN INFLUENCES:
 - DEFINING POLICY GOALS (infrastructure, nature preserves, sustainability, etc.)
 - PLANNING STRATEGIES (short and long-term sustainability)
 - AVAILABLE INFRASTRUCTURE (possibility to accommodate various needs physically)
 - POSSIBILITY OF FOLLOW-UP EXPERTISE



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Iraq News

Iraq Minister of Environment escapes assassination attempt

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Iraqi Minister of Environment Sarkoun Slewa survived an assassination attempt on Thursday in a bomb explosion targeting his convoy northern Baghdad. One of the minister's security guards was wounded in the explosion.





"An explosion detonated this morning targeting my convoy in Al Taji District northern Baghdad while heading to Salahuddin Province," Slewa told Alsumarianews. "The explosion injured one of my bodyguards and damaged the convoy's cars," he added assuring that he wasn't hurt.

 "A security force cordoned off the incident site and transported wounded to a near hospital for treatment," Slewa revealed without giving more details.

Iraqi capital along with other Iraqi cities have been subject since months to an increase in violence which led to the death of hundreds of people including a number of officers and governmental officials. The escalation of violence coincides with continuous disagreements between politicians about different issues such as security ministries' candidates.

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