## **Air Quality Policies**

This document is based on research that UNEP conducted in 2015, in response to Resolution 7 of the UNEA 1. It describes countrylevel policies that impact air quality. Triple question marks (???) indicate that information for the section couldn't be found.

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COUNTRY NAM	COUNTRY NAME: SEYCHELLES				
GOALS	CURRENT STATUS	CURRENT / PLANNED POLICIES & PROGRAMMES			
GENERAL OVERVIEW	<ul> <li>Overall situation with respect to air quality in the country, including key air quality challenges:         <ul> <li>The main emission sources causing air pollution in Seychelles are from the energy and transport sectors.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Air quality monitoring system: ???</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>National Ambient air quality standards: No</li> <li>National Air Quality Policy: <ul> <li>The Environment Management Plans for the country (EMPS 1990-2000; 2000-2010)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Air Quality legislation / programmes: <ul> <li>The Environment Protection Act 1994 (EPA 94)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other: ???</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Industries that have the potential to impact air quality:         <ul> <li>Energy and Transport sectors.</li> </ul> </li> <li>GDP of country:         <ul> <li>\$2.404 billion (2013 estimate)<sup>1</sup>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Industries' share of GDP:         <ul> <li>18.7%<sup>2</sup>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Electricity sources:             <ul> <li>Oil and Oil Products: 100%<sup>3</sup>.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emission regulations for industries:</li> <li>Section 8 (2) No person shall, without an authorisation from the Authority, establish or operate any industrial plant in an air pollution control area<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>Small installation's emissions regulated: (Yes/No) ???</li> <li>Renewable energy investment promoted<sup>5</sup>:</li> <li>At present, the only active grid-connected PV system in the entire country is a 600- watt (4-panel) PV system installed by the Public Utilities Corporation (PUC).</li> <li>MASDAR is currently overseeing the design, development and construction of 6 MW of this, in the form of 8 750 kW turbines on the uninhabited islands of Ile du Port and Ile</li> </ul>			

<sup>1</sup> Index Mundi; http://www.indexmundi.com/seychelles/gdp\_composition\_by\_sector.html

<sup>2</sup> Index Mundi; http://www.indexmundi.com/seychelles/gdp\_composition\_by\_sector.html

<sup>3</sup> http://www.reegle.info/countries/seychelles-energy-profile/SC

		Romainville.
		• Energy efficiency incentives: (ex: Subsidies, labelling, rebates etc.)
		• The removal of taxes (Value Added Tax) on some energy efficient appliances and on equipment for the production of renewable energy <sup>6</sup> .
		• Incentives for clean production and installation of pollution prevention technologies: ???
		• Actions to ensure compliance with regulations: (monitoring, enforcement, fines etc.)
		• Imprisonment for 6 years and fine of Rs250,000, and Rs5,000 per day for continued offence after conviction <sup>7</sup> .
		• Other actions at national, sub-national and / or local level to reduce industry emissions: ???
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM	<ul> <li>challenges: (ex: vehicle growth, old fleet, dirty fuel, poor public transport etc.)</li> <li>The CO2 emission from the transport sector accounts for 31% of emissions from the energy sector, of which 84% originates form land transportation with the primary fuels being gasoline and gas oil (diesel).</li> <li>The number of vehicles is expected to increase from 6,050 in 1990 to 18,361 in 2020</li> </ul>	• Vehicle emission limit: (Euro rating)
		• Standards for automotive vehicle emissions have been developed and enacted into law: SS22:1997 Standard Specification for Automotive Vehicle Emissions <sup>8</sup> .
TRANSPORT		• Fuel Sulphur content: (in ppm) ???
		• Restriction on used car importation:
		• All motor vehicles imported require an import permit and should not be older than 3 years old <sup>9</sup> .
		• Actions to expand, improve and promote public transport and mass transit: ???
		• Actions to promote non-motorized transport: (ex: include sidewalks and bike lanes in new road projects, car-free areas etc.) ???
		• Other transport-related actions: ???
REDUCE	• Outdoor, open burning: (ex: is it commonly	• Legal framework: (ex: is burning banned?) ???
EMISSIONS	done? burning what kinds of wastes? etc.)	• Actions to prevent open burning of municipal waste and / or agricultural waste: ???
FROM OPEN	• Municipal waste burning is commonly	
BURNING OF AGRICULTURAL	practiced in the landfills $^{10}$ .	
/ MUNICIPAL		

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Environment Protection Act; http://www.seylii.org/sc/legislation/consolidated-act/71
 <sup>5</sup> http://www.reegle.info/countries/seychelles-energy-profile/SC#renewable\_energy
 <sup>6</sup> Energy Efficiency (EE) Practices; file:///C:/Users/opiyog/Downloads/seychelles\_-\_workshop\_energy\_efficiency\_nairobi.pdf
 <sup>7</sup> Environment Protection Act; http://www.seylii.org/sc/legislation/consolidated-act/71

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> National Implementation Plan; <u>https://www.unido.org/fileadmin/user\_m</u> edia/Services/Environmental\_Management/GUDDIS/Legal\_Frameworks/NIPSeychellesfinal.pdf <sup>9</sup> http://www.simbashipping.com/shipping-destinations/seychelles/rules-and-regulations/ <sup>10</sup> http://www.s4seychelles.com/uploads/6/1/6/7/6167574/s4s\_report\_status\_of\_waste\_managemanet\_in\_seychelles.pdf

WASTE (OUTDOOR)		
REDUCE	• Dominant fuels used for cooking and space	• Indoor air pollution regulated: No
Emissions From Open Burning of Biomass (Indoor)	• Less than 5% of households are using solid fuels for space heating and	<ul> <li>Promotion of non-grid / grid electrification: ???</li> <li>Promotion of cleaner cooking fuels and clean cook stoves: ???</li> <li>Other actions to reduce indoor biomass burning, or to reduce its emissions: ???</li> </ul>

Secondary Sources used in the research:



https://www.yunbaogao.cn/report/index/report?reportId=5\_15959

