

CCS LEGISLATION FRAMEWORK IN LITHUANIA

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The Underground regulation

Transfer of the Directive to the national legislation Competence of the State institutions Planned procedures for granting of the permits

Implementation problems



The Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania declares:

 the Underground shall belong by the right of exclusive owner – ship to the Republic of Lithuania.

The Undreground Law of the Republic of Lithuania determines:



- system of permits to carry out investigations of the Underground;
- system of permits for exploitation of the Underground resources;
- protection of the Underground;
- management of the State Geological Information System;
- settlement of disputes;
- international relations and agreements.

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Competence of the state institutions

✓ Government

- forms a policy;
- makes decision to announce territories were CO₂ storage is forbidden;
- approves exploration and site selection order.

Ministry of Environment

 approves storage operation and closure conditions.

Lithuanian Geological Survey

- competent authority functions.

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Exploration permits

- competitive bidding;
- if the bidding failed twice permit will be issued for first applicant which will fit requirements;
- if the bidding will take place the priority will have applicant which will gather biggest and rational amount of a new geological data.

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Storage permits

- priority for the exploration permit owner;
- competitive bidding;
- if there are no applications first applicant which will fit requirements;
- if the bidding will take place priority for the lowest price for 1 tonne storage.



Implementation problems

- EC wants very detailed transferring;
- definitions often are very general and bureaucratic;
- already exist national practise and understanding;
- Language Commission don't agree with artificial conception (or mechanical text transfer).



Thank you for the attention!