

## PROJECT INFORMATION

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### German-Russian exchange of experience on integrated pollution prevention and control in the paper and pulp industry



Tour of the plant of Stendal Zellstoff GmbH  
(Foto: WTTC, Dalik Sojreff)

#### Background

The paper and pulp industry is one of the most important branches of industry in the Northwest of the Russian Federation.

The pulp and paper mills in their present condition are a significant source of environmental pollution, affecting also neighbouring countries.

The environment administration of the Russian Federation aims to step up the use of methods for integrated pollution prevention and control (IPPC).

In the year 2006 the German and Russian Ministries of Environment agreed to make this topic a focal point of the German-Russian cooperation regarding environmental protection.

#### Project

Staff of the Russian environmental administration and representatives of companies of the paper and pulp industry belonged to the target group of a German-Russian exchange of experts on the topic of "Integrated pollution prevention and control in the paper and pulp industry".

During the 9<sup>th</sup> International Fair on forestry, pulp and paper in St. Petersburg a forum of experts took place in November 2006. German environmental experts and representatives from German companies reported on their experiences with the use of the EU Reference Document on "Best Available Techniques in the paper and pulp industry" and discussed with their Russian colleagues the transferability of these regulations to Russia's environmental legislation. In autumn 2007 staff of Russian environmental authorities and representatives of companies of the paper and pulp industry visited Germany to learn about environmentally sound construction and modernization of manufacturing facilities based on "Best Available Techniques".

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