

**Quarterly Operational Reports  
UNDP-GEF Project in Belarus  
January - March 2014**

**Project #82884 – PIMS 4419 FSP Landscape approach to management of peatlands aiming at multiple ecological benefits**

*Status*

FSP being implemented

*Update*

Project Steering Committee meeting held in February 2014, where annual working plan was presented, discussed and agreed. Second meeting of the Interministerial Cross-sectoral Working Group for development of the National Strategy on Peatlands (NSP) held in March 2014, where structural map of the Strategy and respective glossary were discussed and agreed. Propositions on the improvement of the Law of the Republic of Belarus "On PAs" and other regulatory acts pertaining to the PAs protection and use to ensure wetland conservation were prepared and agreed by the Ministry of Environment. A press-conference dedicated to the International Wetlands Day organized in the National Press-Centre of Belarus in Minsk on 31 January where mass-media was presented with key outcomes of the project's activities. The project contributed to a celebration of World Wildlife Day on 3 March by supporting a presentation of a silver coin dedicated to rare plant species in Belarus.