

OZONE DAY ACTIVITIES - KYRGYZSTAN

The Ozone Center of Kyrgyzstan has organized and facilitated a number of events and activities, devoted to International Ozone Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer and celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Montreal Protocol.

1. An international scientific practical conference “Academic Adyshev’s reading. Modern problems of climate change and ozone layer depletion”, dedicated to the 20th anniversary of Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer, was held at Osh Technological University, where the representatives of the Ozone Center took part and presented their reports on interrelations of climate changing problems with ozone layer depletion. Representatives of related ministries, departments, scientists and teachers of universities from Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan took part at the seminar.

2. i) Central-Asian Resource Center “EcoInform” together with the Ozone Center prepared the following printed outputs to inform the public on the problems of the ozone layer protection:

- a bulletin “*Protection from harmful solar radiation*” about sun safe behavior and protection methods;
- a booklet devoted to the 20th anniversary of Montreal Protocol “*No ozone depleting substances!*”.

ii) The public association “Bigl” with support of the Ozone Center conducted the following actions:

- The artistic illustrations “Ozzy Ozone your friend and defender” for school record book was prepared and published;
- The workbook for pupils “Planet without ozone holes” and an accompanying methodical textbook for teachers of primary school “Recommendations to practical use of application program at the lessons of natural science” were worked out and published.

iii) The teachers of school No. 70 on initiative of the Ozone Center will conduct the following activities dedicated to the 20-th anniversary of Montreal Protocol:

- An action “Protect the ozone layer” including creation of school library, containing books on problems of protection of ozone layer;
- Competition of appropriate essays, pictures, posters and reports;
- Photo-exhibitions and lectures;
- Dissemination of leaflets “Sun safe behavior” ; and
- Video film for performance “Protect Ozone shield of the earth” will be shot with participation of pupils.

3. Big banners (3m x 6m) dedicated to the 20-th anniversary of Montreal Protocol have been prepared and will be posted up at billboards in the main streets of our city Bishkek.

4. A photo-module “16-th September - is international day of ozone layer protection” with the text “20th anniversary of Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the

ozone layer, which is a model of the most successful preventive actions of people against global threats" will be published in the September issue of the newspaper "Vitrina" (edition is 20 000 copies).

5. Special comics, dedicated to the problems of ozone layer protection, were prepared with initiative of the Ozone Center for dissemination among schools throughout the country.

6. NGO "Ecological movement of Kyrgyzstan "Tabiyat" is conducting the project "Realization of ecological action "Ozone Zone-20", devoted to International Day of the Ozone Layer protection and the 20th anniversary of Montreal Protocol. The project provides public activities for schools of Kyrgyzstan, particularly on 16th of September, there will be a celebration of the International Ozone Day with participation of several schools in the capital. On this day there will be competitions organized among pupils of pictures, posters and essays. Organizers of this activity will specially prepare T-shirts, caps, balls, umbrellas with the logotype of the Ozone Center of Kyrgyzstan that will be distributed among schoolchildren. In addition, a number of seminars for schools on problem of ozone layer protection will be held and a celebration bulletin "Ozone Zone-20" will be issued.

7. There will be several appearances on TV and radio. For example, the representatives of the Ozone Center will make a speech on radio and TV on live broadcast on the occasion of International Ozone Day and the 20th Anniversary of the Montréal Protocol. Also, an informative talk-show on TV on problems of ozone layer protection with participation of representatives from ministries, departments, educational centers, NGOs, is scheduled on 16th of September.

8. Several articles: "20th anniversary of Montreal Protocol. Choice in favor of life and safety.", "20 years of progress," are being prepared by representatives of the Ozone Center and will be published in national newspapers and ecological magazines of Kyrgyzstan.