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## IMPORTANT LESSONS FROM GEWR

**The VIII Eurasian Business Forum “Green Energy & Waste Recycling” (GEWR), held on October 3-4 in Astana, demonstrated current trends in the development of waste management in Kazakhstan.**

At the largest Forum in Central Asia on waste management, where professionals in the field of green energy and waste recycling gathered, ideas, successful experiences and the best technologies for recycling, processing industrial and consumer waste were discussed.

The main goal of the Forum is to exchange experience and build a platform for further cooperation in order to implement the Green Economy Concept, strengthening a comprehensive dialogue on environmental issues, developing opportunities for introducing the best available technologies (BAT), coverage of climate change issues to unite joint efforts and form a common vision of sustainable development (ESG), innovative technological solutions in the waste sorting and recycling sector.

The first day's program consisted of a plenary session called “The Future of Waste”, as well as the following sessions: “On the way of financial sustainability of the waste management system”, “From consumer to recycler: how to increase the level of plastic collection and recycling”. On the second day, the Second National Methane Forum was held, within which there was a technological session

“Innovative technological solutions in the waste collection, sorting and recycling sector”, sessions “Integrated waste management system: planning and implementation at the local level”, “Sustainable management of industrial waste: standards, methodologies and ESG approaches”, a discussion session “SMEs in the waste management sector: problems and solutions” was also held. (continued on page 2).



## PATENT FOR METHOD FOR CLEANING SOILS AND SLUDGES

In 2024, West Dala LLP received a patent for the utility model “Method for purifying oil sludge and soil from contamination with petroleum products.” The document was issued by the RSE “National Institute of Intellectual Property”. The patent applies to the entire territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan. West Dala LLP has extensive experience in working with a patented method,

which consists of using special preparations and observing special conditions when cleaning oil-contaminated soils and sludge. The company's patented utility model contributes to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by the UN in 2015, including by protecting and restoring land ecosystems and promoting their rational use.



## EXHIBITION

### KIOGE 2024

The 29th Kazakhstan International Oil and Gas Exhibition and Conference KIOGE 2024 in Almaty brought together more than 340 companies from 20 countries. The event featured the latest technologies for oil and gas production, processing and transportation, as well as automation and industrial safety solutions.

Some of the important sections of the exhibition for the West Dala company are “Service in oil and gas fields” and “Environmental environmental services”. Our colleagues got acquainted with new preparations for waste treatment, and also took part in seminars of large companies.

In particular, we attended the seminar “Development of local content and support of domestic producers in the Kalamkas Khazar Project.” Within the framework of KIOGE, a general meeting of members of the Union of Oilfield

Service Companies of Kazakhstan “Kazservice” was held, at which the activities of the organization, issues of state regulation of the oilfield service



business and legislative initiatives were discussed.



## ECOLOGY

### IMPORTANT LESSONS FROM GEWR

#### Continuation

One of the important moments at the forum was the presentation of the Concept for the Development of Environmental Culture for 2024-2029, aimed at increasing public awareness about proper waste management. “In the modern world, solving the pressing problem of climate change is of paramount importance. As a company that takes its obligations responsibly, West Dala LLP strives to make its contribution to the development of the Green Economy Concept. The Company is currently implementing a number of initiatives in this area, paying special attention to energy efficiency, reducing

methane emissions and introducing low-carbon technologies.

At the beginning of 2023, we became participants in the UN Global Compact, thereby confirming our commitment to reducing methane emissions, and also received a very high ESG rating, which was noted at the Forum,” said Forum delegate Svetlana Satanova, Environmental Manager West Dala LLP. Representatives of the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Department of Waste Management, representatives of environmental companies, industry and specialized associations, agencies, experts, representatives of republican

and regional media took part in the GEWR Forum. According to the forum participants, all topical issues raised during the discussions will be taken into account when making long-term decisions.



## FORUM

### ON THE IMPORTANCE OF SUSTAINABILITY IN WASTE MANAGEMENT

The large-scale environmental forum VII “Uralsk Green Forum” in Uralsk was attended by more than 200 participants from the public and private sectors, industry and specialized associations, as well as experts and specialists in ecology, environmental management, green energy, and deputies. Delegates from West Dala attended the forum to study the experience and opportunities for introducing the best available technologies.

During the Forum, issues of public policy in the field of climate change, energy saving, clean production and green financing, the use of renewable energy sources (RES) and low-carbon development in industry, as well as environmental startups and new innovative technologies were raised. At the Forum, a panel session “Sustainable Development in Waste Management” was organized with the

participation of contracting companies, recycling companies and students involved in projects to optimize waste management.

During the Forum, a number of documents were signed, including a Memorandum of cooperation and interaction in the field of the possibility of using recycled industrial waste as secondary raw materials between the Department of Ecology for the West Kazakhstan region of the Committee for Environmental Regulation and Control of the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Regulation of West Kazakhstan Region, Kazakhstan Branch of WKR and West Kazakhstan University named after M. Utemisov.

The Forum participants emphasized the effectiveness of the event, expressing their commitment to the sustainable

development of the Western region and agreed on the need to implement ESG transformation and strategy in the West Kazakhstan region and in companies operating in the region.



## EDUCATION

### OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

Thanks to the joint efforts of the working group of the company West Dala LLP and environmental teachers of the NJSC “Atyrau University named after Kh. Dosmukhamedov”, in 2024 the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan approved the educational Waste Management program.

“Waste Management is an important topic for modern Kazakh society, given that the country is striving to develop a green economy.” A group of 13 undergraduate students from the Kazakh department and two students from the Russian department were recruited for the training.

We will be training specialists who can use innovative approaches taking into account environmental, economic and social aspects when creating waste management infrastructure for four years,” explains Mansia Yesenamanova, head of the Department of Ecology, Candidate of Technical Sciences.

“We are very pleased that an

educational program on waste management is being introduced at Atyrau University named after Kh. Dosmukhamedov. The issue of training qualified specialists in the field of waste management has long been relevant in our country and, in particular, for the Atyrau region, which is an oil-producing region with a significant amount of industrial waste. Our company has been dealing with the management of this waste for 19 years, and we have accumulated a lot of practical experience that we can share with students,” said Dias Khabiev, director of corporate development at West Dala LLP. Training under this program will allow graduates in the future to become specialists in demand in the labor market and realize themselves in such an important profession, contributing to ensuring safe and effective waste management in order to minimize the harmful effects of waste on the environment and human health.



## SOCIAL PROGRAMS

### THREE REPRESENTATIVES INSTEAD OF ONE

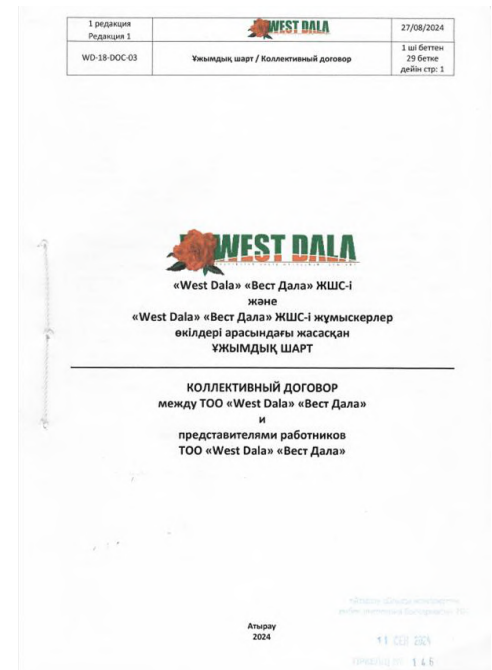
**A new Collective Agreement for 2024-2029 was signed between West Dala LLP and the workforce. Recently, the agreement was successfully monitored by the Department of State Labor Inspection of the Atyrau Region, which confirms its compliance with legal requirements and the interests of both parties.**

The new Collective Agreement preserves all existing social benefits and guarantees in the company provided for by the previous document, while improving some conditions. The changes are aimed at improving measures to develop social and labor relations, protecting the rights of workers and personnel management work.

“We are pleased to say that we previously had one employee representative, but now have three. This change occurred due to an increase in the size of the workforce and the need for more effective representation of the interests of all employees.

The presence of three representatives will allow us to more quickly and fully take into account the opinions of employees, as well as ensure better communication between employees and management,” noted Sagytzhan Uralbaev, Head of the HR & IR Department.

The collective agreement will continue to serve as the basis for further productive cooperation and creating a comfortable working atmosphere for all employees of our company.



## OBJECTS

### BIRD PARADISE AT “PRORVA”

**The pond at the Prorva Waste Management Facility (WMF) of West Dala was created for the purpose of managing domestic wastewater and maintaining ecological balance. However, for the local flora and fauna, the pond has become a true natural oasis. Gulls and other birds have long taken to nesting here during the warm season, hatching their offspring.**

“This year, several bird species have nested here. Additionally, a wild duck has settled on the facility’s grounds. These observations indicate that our activities do not negatively impact the area’s biodiversity and contribute to creating a comfortable environment for wildlife” explains Islam Sagynbayev, an

ecologist at the Prorva WMF. Ecologists at the Prorva and Tengiz facilities are actively engaged in monitoring environmental changes. They regularly analyze water and soil quality, assess the impact of various processes on the ecosystem, and develop measures to minimize potential negative effects. An important part of their work is developing and

implementing programs for the conservation and restoration of natural resources.



## COOPERATION

### MAKAT DISTRICT IS 100 YEARS OLD!

**Makat district of the Atyrau region, the center of the oil industry, railway transportation and oil and gas transportation, celebrates its hundredth anniversary this year.**

At Munayly Elim - kiyeli zherim solemn event, honorary residents and veterans were awarded medals and badges for their contribution to the development of the region. A letter of gratitude and a medal from the Akim of the Makat region, addressed to the General Director of West Dala LLP, Kairat Salakhadenov, was received by the Head of the Compliance Department, Zhanbolat Elubaev, who, on behalf of the company, congratulated the residents of the Makat district on this

significant anniversary, noting that West Dala LLP always responds to requests for support for social projects



and is ready for further cooperation for the development of the Makat district of the Atyrau region.



## PROMOTION

### WITH CARE FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE

**On the first day of October, our company gladly took part in the event dedicated to the International Day of Older Persons.** On this special day, we supported six wonderful people from the KSU Center for Active Longevity and Social Services at Home for Pensioners and Persons with Disabilities. They received food packages from West Dala LLP, including a variety of dairy products, groceries, fresh vegetables and fruits. Each set was worth 43 thousand tenge, which fully corresponds to the food basket of the Republic of Kazakhstan for

2024. This initiative was made possible thanks to the unity of our team and a sincere desire to make the world a better place.

“We congratulated the older generation on the holiday, and they, in turn, thanked us from the bottom of our hearts for their attention and gifts,” said Asyl Temirtasova, Deputy Head of the Human Resources and Industrial Relations Department of West Dala LLP. Caring for the elderly is a shared responsibility, and moments like this remind us of the importance of

contributing to a common cause and the need for cooperation for the sustainable development of society.



## CONTEST

### POSITIVE INFLUENCE

**The UN Global Compact for Sustainable Development has ambitious goals that are made a reality by people. The scale of such personalities is great, since they**



**have an influence on the events and lives of other people. The SDG Pioneers competition – Pioneers of Sustainable Development in Kazakhstan – is dedicated to such people.**

The event was held by the UN in Kazakhstan for the first time with the aim of recognizing the merits of business representatives who make a significant contribution to achieving sustainable development goals. From the West Dala LLP, the coordinator of the Health Protection Service, Gaukhar Beketaeva, a volunteer and sports activist, was nominated for this

competition. She is known in the company as a participant in running marathons and the creator of the running club “Runclub Atyrau”. By her own example, Gaukhar was able to get many of the company’s employees interested in sports, thereby promoting the theme of maintaining health and well-being as one of the sustainable development goals of the UN Global Compact. We thank Gaukhar Beketaeva for her activity and encourage everyone to develop and achieve goals that change the lives of other people for the better!

## SUPPORT

### ROAD TO SCHOOL

The West Dala company did not stand aside from the noble and important charitable project “Road to School 2024”. Based on a letter from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Regulation of the Atyrau Region, two children from low-income families received 75 thousand tenge each to prepare for the new school year. Financial assistance was presented by West Dala employee Aliya Muftagaliyeva in the presence of a representative of the regional Akimat. The company will also provide assistance to two pupils of the Regional Family-Type Children's Village and the Youth House of the Education Department of the Atyrau Region. The children are currently on vacation.

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Since last year, West Dala LLP, on the eve of Knowledge Day, has expanded its social program to provide financial assistance to employees. Certificates from a large retail chain in the amount

of 25 thousand tenge per child for the purpose of purchasing school supplies were received by 21 employees in Atyrau and 2 employees in Mangistau. Thus, this year the company provided support to 68 schoolchildren to prepare for the new school season. Also, according to the list of the akimat of the Almaly rural district of the Atyrau region, certificates were presented to

the akim Gulshat Tulegenovna Aukhadieva for transfer to 11 children from low-income and single-parent families of the district.



## ECO PROMOTION

### VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY WORK IN THE RETRO PARK

As part of the “Taza Kazakhstan” campaign, another “Clean Park” campaign was held in Retro Park in September, in which 250 employees from various organizations took part,

including employees of the West Dala LLP. A lot of useful things were done in half a day: the park area was watered and prepared for laying lawns and installing a sprinkler system. The action

participants also cleaned the playground and garbage cans, collecting about 50 tons of garbage.

