

Decrease pollution? *Know how.*

With funding from Austria, we helped Cipsor Construct, a Romanian producer of metallic structures, to implement sound environmental protection policy and to improve pollution control, cutting production-related CO₂ emissions by 50%.



Metallic structures producer, Romania

We helped Cipsor Construct (www.cipsor.ro), a producer of metallic structures from Romania, to improve its environmental performance by implementing a sound policy based on an impact audit, and to halve its production-related pollution.

Founded in 2004 in Galati, Romania's largest port on the Danube, Cipsor Construct is currently one of the main suppliers of metallic structures in the area. In 2008 the company moved its production facilities to Independenta village, nearby Galati, investing €1.5 million and becoming one of the largest employers in this remote rural area.

While the company was ISO 9001 (Quality Management) and ISO 3834 (Welding Quality Assurance) certified, it did not have a strong environmental protection policy in place. Cipsor's production activity generated waste with significant legal and social implications, and company management took action to implement clear procedures and processes for managing the company's environmental impact.



Cipsor's production-related pollution has halved, ensuring legal compliance and making the company a more attractive business partner

We connected Cipsor Construct to TQ Consultanta si Recrutare, a consultant specialising in environmental audits and management systems. The consultant:

- Performed an environmental compliance audit
- Provided the company with a list of applicable legal requirements
- Identified target areas for selective waste collection and drafted a 6-point action plan
- Developed environmental performance procedures and assigned key process roles
- Trained employees with regard to legal requirements and internal procedures

Today, the company is fully compliant with legal requirements and the new selective waste collection procedure has significantly increased the rate of recovering recyclable materials. Furthermore, efficient fuel and electricity consumption has also helped reduce Cipsor's environmental impact.

"This project is a milestone in the company's development", said Mr. Sorin Grigore, manager and owner. "Top management and employees are aware of the importance of preventing instead of correcting environmental issues, and we are perceived as a professional, responsible company, both internally and externally".

This positive image has helped Cipsor start exporting its products to Norway and Germany. Moreover, in 2016, the company launched a new and modern production line, worth €0.5 million and partially funded by the European Union.

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Turnover

x 2.5

Employees

+80%

Reduction in production-related CO₂ emissions

50%

Total project value

€9,548

Client contribution

€3,773

