



The EU water acquis and EU funding opportunities for candidate countries

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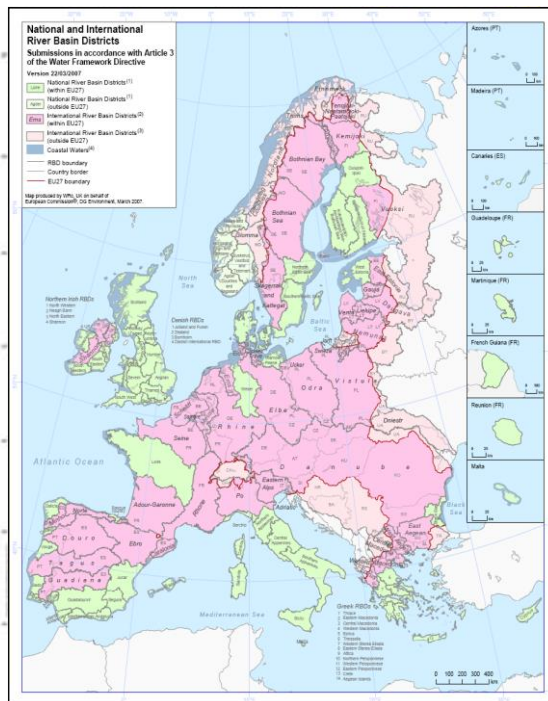


European Water Policy - Legal Context

- **Water Framework Directive** (2000/60/EC)
 - Groundwater Directive (2006/118/EC)
 - Priority Substances Directive (2008/105/EC amended in 2013)
- **Extending the scope:**
 - Floods Directive (2007/60/EC)
 - Marine Strategy Directive (2008/56/EC)
- *Urban waste water treatment Directive (91/271/EEC)*
- *Nitrates Directive (91/676/EEC)*
- *Drinking water Directive (98/83/EC)*
- *Bathing water Directive*
 - New (2006/7/EC)
 - Old (76/160/EEC)
- *Industrial Emissions, Plant Protection Products, Biocides, REACH, etc.*

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**Diversity
of river
basins
in Europe !**



Environment and Climate Regional Accession Network (ECRAN) Water Management Working Group

Aim: *To provide capacity building and practical input and support in the development of RBMP on a selected pilot site.*

- Assistance to the beneficiary countries to develop a RBMP at the agreed selected pilot basin or sub basin and to support the implementation of the activities involved in the selected topics.
- Learning process and replication of practices and processes in river basins
- Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD (cost recovery and cost-effectiveness considerations), including innovative systems of waste water treatment
- WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive



Opportunities for funding and other support



Available instruments

- *EU IPA – in the form of grants*
- *WBIF – in the form of grants (Western Balkans Investment Framework for the Water and Waste Water Sector)*
- *IFIs – loans and grants*
- *TAIEX – EU instrument for technical capacity building (workshops, study visits).*
- *Twinning – EU MS experts to stay in the enlargement country for 1-2 years to share with the local counterparts their expertise in a certain area.*
- *ECRAN – a regional cooperation program that covers 7 countries and does capacity building. In the water sector 6-8 workshops to be delivered during 3 years.*





IPA Projects 2007 – 2013 in Water and Waste Water Sector in 8 enlargement countries and regional

Total assistance environment – all IPA components (capacity building + infrastructure building)	1.2 bil. euro
Total assistance – water and waste water sector (capacity building + infrastructure building)	318.4 mil. euro
Albania (water and waste water sector)	79,4 mil euro
BiH (water and waste water sector)	137.2 mil euro
Croatia (water and waste water sector)	2.0 mil euro
FYROM (water and waste water sector)	4.1 mil euro
Kosovo (water and waste water sector)	46.5 mil euro
Montenegro (water and waste water sector)	7.4 mil euro
Serbia (water and waste water sector)	24.3 mil euro
Turkey (water and waste water sector)	9.9 mil euro
Regional (water and waste water sector)	7.6 mil euro



IPA II - Total financial assistance for environment for 2014-2020

Total assistance environment – all IPA components (capacity building + infrastructure building)	Aprox. 1.2 bil. euro
Albania	78 mil euro
BiH	-
FYROM	114 mil euro
Kosovo	-
Montenegro	38 mil euro
Serbia	205 mil euro
Turkey	681 mil euro
Regional	5 mil euro
Total assistance for water and waste water sector (capacity building + infrastructure building)	Not known yet



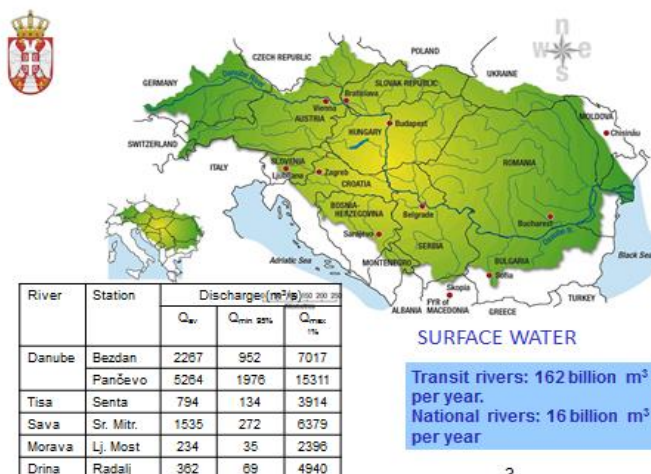


WBIF Projects in Water and Waste Water Sector 2007-2014 in 7 enlargement countries (Western Balkans Investment Framework for the Water and Waste Water Sector)

Total assistance (grants) for water and waste water sector	265.5 mil. euro
Albania (water and waste water sector)	25.8 mil euro
BiH (water and waste water sector)	67.4 mil euro
FYROM (water and waste water sector)	2.5 mil euro
Kosovo (water and waste water sector)	13.5 mil euro
Montenegro (water and waste water sector)	48.1 mil euro
Serbia (water and waste water sector)	107 mil euro
Regional (water and waste water sector)	1.2 mil euro



Water sector – Serbia





Legislative framework:

- Law on Waters from 2010
- Implementing legislation: 40 of 70 pieces of implementing legislation
- Water Management Strategy – **2015**.
- Water Management Plan for the Danube River Basin – **2015**
- Water management plans for water districts (**ongoing** activity).
- Annual Water Management Program.
- Water Management Master Plan of the Republic of Serbia.
- Conventions, agreements, protocols – international cooperation.

⇒ *Partial harmonization with Water Framework Directive*

⇒ *Full transposition by 2018*



Water sector – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

- 4 river basins defined in the Law on Waters: Vardar, Crn Drim, Strumica and Juzna Morava
- Agreement has been signed with Albania regarding management of Lake Ohrid
- Agreement has been signed with Albania and Greece regarding Lake Prespa. New project for Protection of Prespa Lake started in 2012.





- Partly transposition of water related acquis
- Implementation of Water Framework Directive and of water related acquis is at an early stage
- RBMP for Prespa Lake was prepared in 2012
- Ongoing preparation of RBMP for the river Bregalnica, tributary of river Vardar



Water sector – Bosnia and Herzegovina

Legislative framework

Federation BiH:

- Full transposition will be achieved through adoption of the amendments to the Water Law.
- FBiH: Implementation at early stage

Republica Srpska:

- Water Law
- Decision on the determination of borders of River Basin Districts and river basins in the territory of the RS





River basin districts in BiH

Danube River Basin

- **Sava River basin district** consists of the river basins Una, Vrbas, Ukrina, Bosna, Drina and the direct Sava river basin
- **Trebišnjica river basin district** consists of the river basins Maucnica, Susica, Dubrovacka river (river Ombla)-part and the direct Trebišnjica river basin.

Adriatic Sea Basin

- **Neretva and Trebišnjica river basin**
- **Krka and Cetina river basin**



Water sector – Kosovo

Transposition and implementation of water acquis is at an early stage

Legislative framework:

- Water Law 2013

River Basin Units

- **Iber River Basin**





Montenegro

- **Alignment** with water acquis **is limited**; very little progress in the past years.
- **Transposition** of the main water directives is planned for **2016-2017** through new Water law and secondary legislation.
- **Key challenges**: monitoring networks for all water sources; river basin management plans; infrastructure for waste water treatment; sustainable hydropower.
- 4 UWWT plans are now operational; however the legal framework defining **agglomerations** and designating **sensitive areas** is **missing**;
- **Administrative capacity**: clear division of responsibilities and more staff for water issues is needed.
- **EU assistance**: Support to new Water law (legal assistance) and IPA assistance for preparation of the RBMPs (1,9 mln EUR)



Albania

- **Transposition** of the water directives **is advancing**; draft legislation currently in the decision making process should bring legal framework largely in line with the EU water acquis.
- **Implementation** is at an **early stage**
- **Key issues**: administrative capacity at national and local level; financial resources; water supply and waste water treatment infrastructure; monitoring systems and river basin management plans; sustainable hydropower;
- **Sustainability of investments**: 4 WWTP are not operational (unresolved property rights, no ownership, missing electricity connection, no operational budgets)
- **IPA assistance for the water infrastructure is frozen** until problems with the earlier investment will be solved.
- **Assistance focus** - capacity building, sector planning, project pipeline development.



Thank you for your attention !

