

6th Screening Workshop

Environmental objectives and exemptions

17 – 19 October 2015
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**Presentation and discussion of the results
achieved during the 3rd, 4th and 5th
Screening workshops**



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Structure of the presentation

Main results

- WM WG Tasks
- Screening workshops results

Challenges of the next period

Thematic synergies with other WGs



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Activity 2.3: Water Management

Main results

Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMP

- Criteria for selection of the pilot sites agreed
- Drina River Basin selected as a pilot river basin for the RBMP
- The Program of Measures identified as a specific RBMP topic
- Methodology for developing the Program of measures agreed
- Transboundary issues identified
- SWMIs identified and prioritized
- Visions and management objectives agreed
- Templates discussed for Pressures assessment
- 4 Screening Workshops organized

Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD

- Selected EA theme for training: "Cost recovery through water pricing"
- Identified sub theme: "Institutional and policy framework of water utility"
- Regional Introductory Workshop on Economic Analysis, with SPI WG



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Results of the Screening Workshops

3rd Screening Workshop, 11-12 March 2015 – main focus PoM development

Preparatory work

- Provided support through background documents for specific steps along PoM development
- Engaged ALL beneficiaries in the preparation of PoM for the Pilot Drina RB through planned inputs into the workshop

At the workshop

- Presentation and discussion of the methodology of preparing the PoM/ WFD
- Discussion of the needs of the countries and possible options of support, through the project activities
- Making use of completed screening templates following the PoM methodology
- Revision of countries assessments of answers and track progress

Results

- Enhanced understanding of the approach, topics, challenges and tasks, responsibilities
- Clarification of the needs of specific components in terms of background documents, screening templates assessments, training
- Key obstacles and related solutions identified
- Facilitated transfer of knowledge, and lessons learned through capacity building activities and practical work
- Enhanced active engagement of participants.



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Results of the Screening Workshops (2)

4th Screening Workshop, 15 – 17 September 2015 – main focus PoM development

The guidance document has been updated with a new phase, based on the results of specific assessments, such as:

- (i) the identification of transboundary issues
- (ii) the Significant Water Management Issues
- (iii) the pressures and impact assessment
- (iv) baseline scenarios
- (v) the definition of the Drina River Basin long vision for each of the identified SWMI, and the description of the respective management steps required to reach the WFD objectives
- (vi) economic analysis and financing of the Program of Measures, in line with the WFD requirements.



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Results of the Screening Workshops (3)

5th Screening Workshop, 07 – 09 October 2015 – main focus PoM development

The PoM methodology has been further updated with the 3rd phase, related to:

- The approach for performing the **pressures assessment for pollution sources** – point and diffuse sources has been detailed, based on templates prepared for each of the SWMIs, for concluding emission inventories in line with EU requirements, for urban, agricultural and industrial point sources.
- The **list of basic and supplementary measures**, addressing organic pollution, nutrient pollution, flooding, hazardous substances pollution and hydromorphological alterations. For each of these SWMIs, the participants will make use of the EC reporting sheets, following the relevant EU Directives, such as UWWTD, IED, ND, FD, EQS Directives.
- Proposal of measures addressing organic pollution and nutrient pollution, specifically the agricultural measures, and measures to address hydromorphological alterations and hazardous substances pollution, to be included into the PoM, based on the discussed templates.
- Economic analysis: preparation of (i) the **Cost effectiveness analysis** and the **interlinkages between pressures assessment, economic analysis and the program of measures**, and (ii) Economics aspects in the frame of the **supplementary measures** - part of **Cost Benefit analysis** according to the WFD.



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Challenges of the next period (1)

Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMP

- Supporting methodology for next steps of PoM preparation (completion of basic and supplementary measures)
- Countries inputs - screening templates
- Continuation of the preparatory process of setting up the Drina PoM through further detailing of the methodology with new components of the PoM (the remaining components of the methodology will cover issues such monitoring programmes, environmental objectives, derogations and exemptions, affordability, financing and issues linked to the implementation and reporting of the program of measures. These topics will represent the focus of the next planned training in 2016).
- Organisation and delivery of the next screening workshop in 2016.
- Presentation of Case studies on the preparation of RBMP and PoM from candidate countries: [suggestions?](#)



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Challenges of the next period (2)

Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD

Subtask - Approaching for selecting the most cost-effective combination of measures in Drina JPM

- Supporting methodology for the economic analysis for RBM Plan and Program of Measures
- Affordability, derogations, cost of measures
- Financing, prioritisation of measures
- Screening templates and Case studies
- Economic analysis of PoM for WFD and MSFD (Task 2.3.4).



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Thematic synergies with other WGs (1)

Strategic Planning and Investments Working Group (WG 1)

Regional Workshop on “Strategic Planning in Water Sector” (June 2015, in Podgorica, Montenegro)

Objective

- to facilitate the transfer of knowledge on the need to prepare planning documents in the water sector to accommodate the EU directives requirements

The training considered the main concerns due to different circumstances in the countries and various interpretations of implications of national legislation has on various water management aspects, including financing of the water related measures.



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Thematic synergies with other WGs (2)

Strategic Planning and Investments Working Group (WG 1)

Main topics of the training

- Requirements for national planning docs as part of the Acquis: UWWTD, DWD, ND, FD
- The principles and requirements of EU water directives relevant for the discussion of sustainable financing in the water sector
- Key issues of environmental investment and financing planning
- Techniques and tools for prioritization of water investments based on a set of criteria reflecting not only environmental benefits, but also the cost effectiveness of measures.



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Thematic synergies with other WGs (3)

Environmental Assessments Working Group (WG 3)

A **Study visit** has been organized in cooperation with the EIA WG (22-24 Sept 2015, in Czech Republic) to discuss the key links between the WFD and the EIAD, respectively the SEAD:

- the assessment approach required by the WFD, for those situations when likely significant environmental impacts are identified and then assessed according to the EIAD/SEAD
- the objectives of WFD and EIAD/SEAD to integrate the environment into decision-making process.



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Thematic synergies with other WGs (4)

Main topics of the training:

- Clarification of the legal relationship between the WFD, especially the RBMP and the PoM, and the assessment under the EIAD/ SEAD
- Discussion on the similarities and overlaps (extent, nature) - WFD, EIAD/ SEAD
- Examination of those potential duplications which are possible and synergy/coordination needs between authorities managing RBMPs, within river basins, with exemplification from Member State
- Identification of joint solutions to overcome different related problems
- To share experience of the Czech relevant institutions regarding the water management planning and SEA/EIA application
- 2-3 case studies, each with the potential to underline different sets of interlinkages, synergies and actions and overlaps between the WFD and EIAD/SEAD.



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