

# **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Screening Workshop at Pilot – Drina River Basin**

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Overview of the results  
the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshops



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# Structure of the presentation

- Water Management Working Group – tasks
- Assistance in the development of transboundary river basin management plans: results
- Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD: results
- WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive: results



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# Water Management Working Group

## Activity 2.3: Water Management

Task 2.3.1: Annual Meeting

Task 2.3.2: **Assistance in the development of  
transboundary river basin management  
plans**

Task 2.3.3: **Economic analysis in accordance with the  
WFD**

Task 2.3.4: **WFD and Marine Strategy Framework  
Directive**



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# Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMPs (1)

## Approach and methodology

- Screening Workshops organised
- Exchange of experience
- Capacity building
- Screening templates
- Countries assessment



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# Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMPs (2)

**1<sup>st</sup> Screening workshop** on Pilot Drina River Basin, 22-23 June 2014, Podgorica, Montenegro

## Objectives

- to establish **common understanding** on basic terms and definitions, different policies and regulatory frameworks as well as differences in delegation of responsibilities, for **development, adoption, implementation and control of implementation of Programme of Measures.**



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# Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMPs (3)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Screening workshop** on Pilot Drina River Basin, 22-23 September 2014, Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

## Objectives

- to highlight the crucial role of the **regular monitoring** for reliable and rational water resources governance and hence encouraged the group to initiate and support the additional **investments**; to discuss the **cost-effectiveness of measures**.



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## Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMPs (4)

### Outputs

**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

**Screening templates**



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# Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD (1)

## Approach

Economic Analysis **theme for regional training** selected:

**“Cost recovery through water pricing”**

Cost recovery **Sub theme** identified: **“Institutional and policy framework of water utility for cost recovery and efficiency”**

**Questionnaire for assessing training needs** on institutional and policy framework of water utility sector for cost recovery and cost efficiency organised

**Assessment report** on results

**Training** assisted by **TAIEX**



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# Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD (2)

## Approach

Regional Introductory Workshop on Economic Analysis in Accordance with WFD, Skopje, October 2014



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# Task 2.3.4: WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive (1)

## Approach

- Training on how to apply MSFD throughout initial assessment steps (data availability, selection of MSFD indicators and areas for assessment, etc.)
- Selection of one country specific theme related to the key points of the MSFD and ICZM
- Selection the topic for regional training
- Regional Introductory workshop on MSFD, 25 – 26 September 2014, Tirana, Albania



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# Task 2.3.4: WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive (2)

**1<sup>st</sup> Regional Introductory workshop on MSFD, 25 – 26 September 2014, Tirana, Albania**

Two general topics supporting the implementation of MSFD with several sub-topics have been proposed:

**1) National approaches to Initial Assessment (IA), GES and Target determination.**

- A survey of the available data / information relevant for the initial assessment.
- Analysis of data and their possible aggregation. Identification of data gaps.
- Selection of the MSFD indicators that can be populated with the available data.
- Approaches to integrate assessments across indicators and descriptors;
- Selection of the areas for initial assessment.
- Facilitating the progress of integration among sectors within the coastal/marine environment and realisation of a common goal focused around sustainability.

**2) Methodologies for monitoring and assessment of specific descriptor:**

- Arranging common monitoring survey in order to share and minimize costs.
- Synergies between monitoring for different purposes to establish integration across descriptors and indicators, and across states.
- Monitoring survey methods, standardised sampling, and laboratory analysis for collection of data in a comparable way.
- Assessment and classification of the marine area.
- Estimation of primary and secondary indicators, options for statistical analysis for GES assessment for time-series based indicators; and options for statistical analysis for GES assessment for time-series based indicators.



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# Task 2.3.4: WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive (3)

For the regional training, two general topics have been proposed:

## **1) Streamlined procedure for development of PoM:**

- Basic principles for the establishment of PoMs under the MSFD
- Technical specification of environmental targets as a basis for measures
- Gap analysis and identification of possible new measures
- Coordination with marine regions.

## **2) Landlocked countries: The role and approach to implementation of MSDF.**



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# Task 2.3.4: WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive (4)

## Results

- The common understanding on main terms, definitions and principles of MSDF achieved.
- The basic and specific MSDF requirements clarified.
- Synergy, overlaps and differences between MSDF WFD and other Directives discussed.
- Issues on policy, institutional, organisational and other supporting frameworks of MSDF are more understandable.

## Proposal

- Due to complexity of MSDF, in future, 3 days should be foreseen for workshops/trainings.

## Next steps

- The questionnaire for selecting topic and determining details for regional training will be sent to the beneficiaries. The regional training is scheduled for May 2015.
- The country specific theme for tailored-made training shall be identified.



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# Some reflections on areas of improvement (1)

## General

- Proposal for a new approach: building on past achievements and consider areas of improvement
- Learning by doing - **practical application of various analysis** required for the development of the RBMP and related PoM, performing economic analysis of water use, or implementing MSFD
- Enhanced understanding on the need of **establish a comprehensive database** that can meet a wide range of requirements for assessment and reporting
- Facilitate **active participation and interaction, and motivated involvement** (national inputs, short presentations on selected topics which can stimulate interest)
- Encouraging **careful selection of case studies/applications** to “real life” tasks/situations
- **Analysis, synthesis and presentations of the countries inputs**
- Evaluation of the presented methodologies.



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# Some reflections on areas of improvement (2)

## How we will do it?

- Careful documentation of the topics, reference materials available, follow on EU developments
- Speakers interested and engaged in mobilizing the audience through **knowledge, skills and attitudes**
- Mind the overload information - **fewer topics, but in detail**
- **Panels discussions organized right after TAIEX training presentations**
- Training materials: **written materials**, in preparation of the meetings, **handouts** with key points to guide the discussion
- Ensure **continuation in representation** of the target audience
- Shift towards **more cross cutting issues in enforcement**
- Emphasis on **integration issues** – to reduce burden on implementation through **streamlined info management and reporting**.

### Specifically, on the WM WG tasks:

- RBMP/PoM - following the logical flow of WFD implementation steps
- Economic Analysis – better link with PoM
- MSFD - very complex, important to avoid duplication, integration issues essential.



# Thank you!



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