

3rd Annual Meeting & Workshop

“Tools and guidance for assessing resource and environmental cost in the WFD”

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Introductory Presentation



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Structure of the presentation

3rd Annual WG Meeting

- Objectives
- Expected outcomes

Workshop “Tools and guidance for assessing resource and environmental cost in the WFD”

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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 (cost recovery and cost-effectiveness considerations), including innovative systems of waste water treatment
- Task 2.3.4: WFD and Marine Strategy Framework Directive – objectives, synergies and approaches



3rd Annual WG meeting: Objectives

❑ **Overall objective:** reach consensus on the WM WG Work Plan 2016 and identify topics (approaches, key issues and challenges) for future capacity building.

❑ **Specific objectives:**

- Adoption of agenda and of the 2016 training events
- Introduction/discussion of the results achieved for reaching the ECRAN project objectives
- Proposal for enhancing the ECRAN beneficiaries active involvement.



3rd Annual WG meeting: Outcomes

☐ **Agenda of the 3rd Annual Meeting and of the Workshop**

☐ **Planned activities 2016**

Sub tasks, timeline, key outputs



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Task 2.3.2: Assistance in the development of transboundary RBMPs

Scope: provision of practical assistance to the beneficiary countries in the development of the RBMP and the Program of Measures in Drina River Basin, selected as a pilot basin.

In recognition of the potential benefits through **replicability across the whole targeted ECRAN project beneficiaries**, a number of **Case Studies** from all beneficiary countries are discussed, and lessons learned to date, best practices and cross - cutting recommendations summarised.



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Subtask 2.3.2.1: Assistance for the preparation of the Program of Measures (PoM) in Drina RB

Approaches

- The development of RBMP specific topic will last all three years of the project 2014-2016.
- **A transboundary pilot river basin has been selected – Drina RB.**
 - a 4-phase methodology has been prepared for developing the PoM as part of the RBM Plan in Drina RB (phase 4 – 2016)
 - screening templates for a large number of topics
 - a Report is prepared including the Drina RBMP, the PoM and case studies from all beneficiaries (deadline end July 2016)
- **Engage all beneficiaries** in the discussions of the methodologies and templates
- Examine **issues for integration at different levels** (DRB, Sava, Drina) across policy domains (WFD, UWWTD, ND, FD, EQS, MSFD,....)
- Present **lessons learned** from MS experiences to exemplify specific items
- **Specific topics requiring assistance** to facilitate the production of the PoM were identified and presented for organising the training.



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Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD (cost recovery and cost-effectiveness)

Overall objective: provision of practical assistance to the beneficiary countries in the performance of the economic analysis in line with the WFD

Specific objectives:

- To carry out the economic analysis - Drina RB
- To develop case studies: CR, PES, CEA, CBA
- To discuss environmental costs and resource costs
- To discuss the economic of the climate changes adaptation measures with application to WFD and MSFD
- To prepare contributions to the Drina report using screening templates.



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Task 2.3.3: Economic analysis in accordance with the WFD (cost recovery and cost-effectiveness)

Approaches:

- Methodology
- Screening templates
- Outline of the case studies
- Clarification of topics for case studies.
- Preparation of the case studies and inputs into the Drina Report.



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Task 2.3.4: WFD and MSFD – objectives, synergies and approaches

Overall objective:

to strengthen national capacities for effectively addressing the large number of implementation challenges of the MSFD and the ICZM, analyzed in synergy with the process of reaching the WFD objectives.



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Task 2.3.4: WFD and MSFD – objectives, synergies and approaches

Specific objectives:

- To present and discuss **synergy, overlaps and differences** between MSFD, WFD, ICZM and other EU relevant marine policies and directives
- To introduce and discuss policy, **institutional and organizational arrangements** for implementing MSFD
- To discuss the streamlined procedure for **development of PoM** under the MSFD and similarities with the development of PoM under the WFD, making use of the Drina PoM experiences
- To examine the role, approaches and **coordination needs for the MSFD implementation for landlocked countries**
- To explore any national **obstacles** (involvement and commitment, data and methodologies, coordination and cooperation, capacity building needs) and identify possible **solutions**
- To collect suggestions and reach agreement on the country – specific topic for further training (guidance, capacity building, practical case studies) for meeting the MSFD and WFD req.
- To present the reference and concept documents
- To facilitate dialogue among the countries on specific concepts and actions that are needed to ensure MSFD/WFD implementation.



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Task 2.3.4 : Approaches

- Discuss the practical approach and the methodology for MSFD implementation
- Examine requirements of the Initial Assessment, the GES determination, development of PoM and performing Economic Analysis
- Organize surveys for all beneficiaries and review countries assessments and track progress
 - the coordination between WFD and MSFD
 - the MSFD Art 8 on Initial Assessment of the maritime waters
- Improve coherence and integration in land, water, coastal and marine management
- Share knowledge on management of land, water, coastal and marine linkages
- Engage all beneficiaries in the discussions of the methodologies for MSFD/ICZM
- Examine issues for integration at different levels (DRB, Sava, Drina) across policy domains (WFD, MSFD,....)
- Present lessons learned from MS experiences to exemplify specific items along the MSFD implementation and synergies with the WFD.



WM WG Activities 2016

- The economics of climate change adaptation measures under WFD, MSFD and ICZM, 11-13 April 2016, Istanbul
- Eutrophication reduction measures under MSFD, WFD, UWWTD and Nitrates Directive, 17-19 May, Sarajevo
- WFD Program of Measures, 19-22 June 2016, Tirana
- Regional Workshop - Actions toward the “good status” - results, case studies and challenges, 4-6 July 2016, Skopje.



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- ❑ **Overall objective:** to develop a knowledge base on the economic dimensions of water management (i.e. costs, benefits, environmental and resource cost) that will facilitate the overall assessment of the economic impact (costs & benefits) of the WFD and the economic assessment of policy options.



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❑ Specific objectives (1):

- To provide recommendations on how costs and benefits might best be assessed and reported under the WFD
- To enhance the existing water economic knowledge base to better support water management and EU water policy making in the medium term
- To improve the understanding on the calculation of resource costs and of the environmental costs



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❑ Specific objectives (2):

- To contribute to the improvement of the understanding of the water pricing policy in line with Art 9 of the WFD
- To present, discuss and review the preparatory status of the PoM in Drina River Basin in relation to the identification of basic and supplementary measures addressing the five SWMIs in Drina River Basin, and performing the economic analysis
- To establish further actions in order to finalize the Drina



RBM Plan

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❑ Specific objectives (3):

- Facilitate dialogue among the countries on specific concepts and actions that are needed to ensure WFD implementation
- To brainstorm and discuss the activities (guidance, capacity building, and practical case studies) needed for performing the remaining project tasks in line with WFD requirements in the Drina RB and involvement of participant countries.



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Outcomes

- Improved understanding of the topics, challenges and tasks, and related responsibilities along the calculation of the resource & environmental costs (WFD)
- Exchange of experiences and knowledge significantly improved
- Active involvement of the participants through the preparation of case studies on cost recovery and the resource and environmental costs
- Agreement on the draft 2 of the Drina RBM Plan and the case studies from all beneficiary countries
- Guidance documents related to the WG tasks discussed and clarified



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