

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

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- Objectives
- Approaches
- Expected outcomes



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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



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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



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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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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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