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Project: Climate Change and Security in Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus

- Donors: EU (IfS) and ADA
- ENVSEC Partners: UNEP, UNECE, UNDP, REC, OSCE
- Project Regions: Eastern Europe, Central Asia, South Caucasus

“support regional stability through transboundary co-operation on adaptation to consequences of climate change”
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1.1 Participatory assessments of security impacts of climate change - Implementing Organizations: UNEP, OSCE, UNDP, REC - ongoing

1.2 Production and dissemination of information on security impacts of climate change & required adaptation measures - Implementing Organizations: OSCE, UNEP, UNDP - ongoing

2.1 Dniester basin-wide strategic framework for adaptation to climate change, implementation plan & implementation of adaptation measures - Implementing Organizations: UNECE, OSCE - ongoing

2.2 Training of key stakeholders on security impacts of climate change and adaptation measures - Implementing Organization: REC - ongoing
ACHIEVEMENTS

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- 1st PHASE of Participatory Assessments of Security implications & Climate Change Hot-Spots completed (Desk Study and National Consultations) and 2nd PHASE (Regional Consultations & Finalization of Assessment Reports) ongoing
- Preliminary assessments of national & regional security impacts of climate change completed and preliminary areas of concern identified and mapped together with key-stakeholders from different sectors in project countries
- Understanding & awareness of climate change as a security challenge & need for regional cooperation on adaptation in 3 regions enhanced also through sharing of Dniester example and highlighting of benefits of transboundary co-operation.
- Recommendations how to adapt to climate change & security risks in identified hot-spots under elaboration
- Several achievements under Dniester component
2.1 Dniester basin-wide strategic framework for adaptation to climate change, implementation plan & implementation of adaptation measures

- Strategic framework for basin wide adaptation to climate change finalized and launched at High-level event on climate change and transboundary cooperation in the Dniester river basin in April 2015
Strategic framework for basin wide adaptation to climate change for the Dniester one of only a few such adaptation strategies worldwide for a river basin

First climate change adaptation measures implemented; Further implementation ongoing (Water balance for basin, reservoir modelling, ecosystem restoration and public awareness raising etc.)

Implementation plan & resources mobilization strategy under elaboration together with national consultants

1st time cooperation on climate change adaptation in Dniester basin between Moldova & Ukraine

Capacities enhanced to adapt to climate change in a transboundary context (ecosystem adaptation)
UPCOMING EVENTS and NEXT STEPS

Dniester Pilot Region

- Further regular meetings and consultations with sector representatives/experts and local authorities to discuss implementation plan, as well as implementation of climate change adaptation measures

- 12th Meeting of the Working Group on flood management & adaptation to climate change in 2016 in Kiev

- Finalization of Implementation Plan until April 2016 and implementation of adaptation measures until end of 2016

- Support to ratification of the Dniester treaty through bilateral meetings etc.

- Presentation of the Dniester pilot project activities and sharing of Dniester experience at OSCE, UNECE & international events
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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