European Union Water Initiative plus for the Eastern Partnership

Climate Change and Security in the Dniester River Basin
Concluding Project Meeting, Chisinau, 23 March 2017
NATIONAL POLICY DIALOGUES: THE PLATFORM TO SUPPORT REFORM

• Proven process over 10 years of experience in EECCA (e.g. Armenia, Moldova)
• NPD in Moldova since 2006 (initially on WSS, then IWRM was added)
• EUWI+ provides an opportunity to strengthen support to the NPD (revised scope)
• Political ownership (chairmanship), broader engagement of line ministries and public and private stakeholders and sustainable process
• Suggested key areas to be covered:
  • Support to national level reform (legislation, regulation, capacity development)
  • Support to implementation of river basin management principles
  • Monitoring of emerging needs and demands
  • Communication of results and coordination with other donor activities on water
The project builds on the results and lessons learnt of regional projects led by the European Union (EU) in the Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries in the field of water:

**Project 1**

Support to the *EU Water Initiative* (EUWI) in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia

**Project 1**

*Environmental Protection of International River Basins* (EPIRB)
REGIONAL PROJECT 2 2016 - 2020

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Lead/Partner organisations:

**R1** Legal and Regulatory Framework

**R2** River Basin Management Planning

**R3** Lessons learnt and Communication

Lead/Partner organisations:
PROJECT INCEPTION PHASE

• Project dates: Sep 2016 – Sep 2020
• Inception phase: Sep 2016 – Apr 2017
  • gathering of background information (Sep-Oct 2016)
  • discussions of potential priorities with key partners Kick-off meetings in Chisinau and Kyiv (Nov 2016)
  • drafting and discussing national workplan for 4 years, based on communicated national priorities (Feb-Apr 2017)
  • presenting national workplans at regional Steering Committee meeting in Brussels (May 2017)
**EXPECTED RESULTS**

**RESULT 1**

**R1**
Legal and regulatory framework improved in line with the EU Water Framework Directive (WFD), Integrated Water Resources Management and Multilateral Environmental Agreements.

**RESULT 2**

**R2**
River Basins Management Plans designed and implemented in line with the EU WFD principles.

**RESULT 3**

**R3**
Lessons learnt regularly collected, shared and communicated to stakeholders.
NEXT STEP AND LINKS TO DNIESTER PROJECT

• Discussion of the national 4 year workplan at NPD Steering Committee meetings (Kyiv, 28 March, Chisinau, 11 April 2017)
• Presenting and endorsing national workplans at the regional Steering Committee meeting in Brussels (15-16 May 2017)

Links to Dniester project
• Possible continuation of support to transboundary cooperation (Dniester treaty (with GEF project))
• Contributions to the Implementation Plan
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Thank you for your attention!

Благодарим за внимание!