



Multi-stakeholder workshop
Assessment of equitable access to water and sanitation in the former
Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Draft programme

19-20 January 2016

Hotel Romantic, Veles

Tuesday, 19 January 2016	
9:00-9:30	<i>Registration of participants and welcoming coffee</i> <i>Interview with the Public Media, Prof. Mihail Kochubovski</i>
9:30-9:45	Welcome and opening remarks <i>Prof. Mihail Kochubovski, Institute of Public Health</i> <i>Ms. Chantal Demilecamps, UNECE</i>
9:45-10:00	Introductory tour de table
	Session 1 – Introduction <i>Chair: Mr Filip Spirovski</i>
10:00-10:15	Introduction to the UNECE-WHO/Europe Protocol on Water and Health and its activities on equitable access to water and sanitation <i>Ms. Chantal Demilecamps, UNECE</i>
10:15-10:30	Self-assessment of equitable access to water and sanitation: background, main objectives and general approach <i>Prof. Mihail Kochubovski, Institute of Public Health</i>
10:30-10:45	General methodology of applying the Equitable Access Score-card and importance of multi-stakeholders engagement in the self-assessment exercise <i>Ms. Natasha Dokovska, Journalist for Human Rights</i>
10:45-11:15	Questions and answers
11:15-11:45	<i>Coffee break</i>

	<p>Session 2 – Applying the Equitable Access Score-card: methodology & outcomes of the regional assessments</p> <p><i>Chair: Prof. Mihail Kochubovski</i></p>
11:45-12:05	<p>Equitable access assessment in the region of Veles Methodology and main outcomes: scoring, analyses, comments <i>Ms. Snezana Petrova, MD</i></p>
12:05-12:25	<p>Equitable access assessment in the region of Kumanovo Methodology and main outcomes: scoring, analyses, comments <i>Ms. Mimoza Velickovski, MD</i></p>
12:25-12:45	<p>Equitable access assessment in the Skopje Methodology and main outcomes: scoring, analyses, comments <i>Ms. Snezana Milovanovic</i></p>
12:45-13:15	<p>Comments by participants</p>
13:15-14:45	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p>
	<p>Session 3 – Towards a national assessment: Overview of the situation of equitable access to water and sanitation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</p> <p><i>Chair: Ms. Natasha Dokovska</i></p>
14:45-15:00	<p>International experience: Outcomes of the equitable access assessment in France (greater Paris urban area) and actions taken to fill the equity gaps <i>Mr. Yannick Pavageau, Ministry of Health, France, tbc or UNECE</i></p>
15:00-15:10	<p>Introduction to the group discussion <i>Mr. Roberto Martin-Hurtado, consultant to UNECE</i></p>
15:10-17:30	<p>Group discussion on the main challenges to equitable access to water and sanitation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Validation of scores assigned (15:15-16:00) - Identification of main challenges (16:00-16:45) - Discussion on priority actions to reduce inequities in access to water and sanitation (16:45-17:30) <p>Group 1: Steering governance frameworks to deliver equitable access to water and sanitation (Section 1) <i>facilitated by Prof. Mihail Kochubovski</i></p> <p>Group 2: Reducing geographical disparities (Section 2) <i>facilitated by Ms. Snezana Petrova MD</i></p> <p>Group 3: Ensuring access for vulnerable and marginalized groups (Section 3) <i>facilitated by Ms. Natasha Dokovska</i></p> <p>Group 4: Keeping water and sanitation affordable for all (Section 4) <i>facilitated by Ms. Mimoza Velickovski MD</i></p> <p><i>Including coffee break</i></p>

Wednesday, 20 January 2016	
9:00-11:00	<p>Reporting back by the groups (9:00-10:00)</p> <p>Discussion with participants on the main challenges of equitable access to water and sanitation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (10:00-11:00) <i>facilitated by Prof. Mihail Kochubovski</i></p>
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
	<p>Session 4 – From assessment to action: Addressing inequities in access to water and sanitation in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</p> <p><i>Chair: Mr. Roberto Martin-Hurtado, consultant to UNECE</i></p>
11:30-12:30	<p>Interventions by the panelists (11:20-11:45)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representative from the Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning - Representative from the Institute of Public Health - Representative from the Ministry of Local Self Government - Representative from the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs - Representative from the Ministry of Education and Science - Representative from a donor organization <p>Questions to be addressed by the panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Given the main challenges related to equitable access and sanitation in the country, what policy processes are most relevant? 2. How could concerns about equitable access to water and sanitation be integrated in those policy processes? 3. Which agencies and stakeholders should lead the identification policy reforms and specific actions to be included in public programmes? <p>Moderated interactive discussion (11:45-12:15)</p>
12:30-12:45	Next steps for the finalization of the regional assessments and country overview (situational analysis) and plans for the communication of outcomes
12:45-13:00	Conclusions of the workshop
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>