

# Project Facilitation Mechanism Progress and Achievements

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# Outline



- Overview of Project Facilitation Mechanism (PFM)
- Progress of activities of the PFM
  - Ongoing projects
  - New project proposals
  - Project proposals in the pipeline
- Lessons learnt, achievements and way forward

# Overview of PFM



- First meeting of the Parties to the Protocol, (January 2007) established Ad Hoc Project Facilitation Mechanism (AHPFM)
- Third meeting of AHPFM (May 2010) renamed Project Facilitation Mechanism (PFM)

# Overview of PFM



## Objective

- to identify priority activities for non-infrastructure intervention
- Advocate for funding of proposals
- The scope of the projects need to be in accordance with core obligations of the Protocol
  - (i) setting targets and target dates, Art 6
  - (ii) establishing surveillance, early-warning and response systems, Art 8

# Ongoing projects



Republic of Moldova – Switzerland/ UNECE

- Project: Setting targets and target dates

Ukraine – Norway

- Project: Setting targets and target dates

# Ongoing projects



- Republic of Moldova – Switzerland/ UNECE
- Ukraine – Norway
  - Both projects based on the draft guidelines on setting targets, evaluating progress and reporting
  - Draft targets formulated
  - Consultation with the public, consolidation and formal adoption

# New project proposals



## Georgia – Germany/WHO

Project: “Introduction of ecological management of water protection zones as a first step to the introduction of water safety plans in small-scale water supply systems in the Dusheti and Marneuli Districts in Georgia”

- Technical assistance by the Federal Environment Agency, Germany
- Negotiations carried out successfully and contract between Germany and WHO/Europe is under clearance process

# New project proposals



## Tajikistan – Norway/WHO

- Project: Setting targets, selecting indicators, monitoring and reporting on water and health in Tajikistan
- Norway - support on setting targets and indicators, Art 6 of the Protocol
- WHO contribution - improvement of water borne disease surveillance, control and response, Art 8 of the Protocol
- Negotiations between the three parties is in progress



# New project proposals



Armenia –Finland

Project proposal: Improving health in Armenia through target-setting to ensure sustainable water management, access to safe water and adequate sanitation

- A proposal is under consideration by Finland



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# Project proposals in the pipeline



Montenegro

Project proposal: Public health protection in recreational water (swimming pools and spas) environments

- The proposal is within the scope of the Protocol -3.d, 4d and 6j
- Initiated communication with EBRD



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## Kyrgyzstan -Norway

Project proposal: Target and target dates to achieve sustainable water management, safe drinking water supply and adequate sanitation according to the Protocol on Water and Health in Kyrgyzstan”

- Norway is seeking cooperation with Germany on this project and a possible coordination with the German “Transboundary Water Management Programme in Central Asia”.

# Lessons learnt/achievements



- Set targets in the pioneer countries -Ukraine and Moldova – basis for effective implementation of the Protocol and reaching MDGs
- Importance of commitment by national government
- Pro-active collaboration and support by donors to recipient countries

# Lessons learnt/achievements



- Established Water Fund at EBRD
  - supports projects submitted under the Mechanism
  - could facilitate access to resources needed involving improvements of the infrastructure.
- PFM - great potential for bi-lateral and multi-lateral cooperation

# Way forward



- Sustainability of programme measures to achieve set targets is the most important challenge
  - More attention should be given to funding
- Further strengthen PFM
- Promote partnership and cooperation

**Together with joint forces we can make a difference.**



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