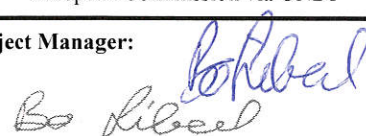
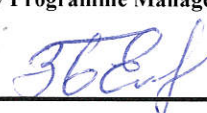


UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

*PART I. Planning*

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| <b>1. Project title and project number:</b> Supporting Kazakhstan's Transition to a Green Economy Model   |   |
| <b>2. Expected timing/ duration:</b> 1 April 2015- 30 November 2018   |   |
| <p><b>3. Objective and brief summary of the project:</b></p> <p>In the follow-up to the Rio+20 processes on sustainable development, Kazakhstan took a decision on transition towards a sustainable development model "Green Economy Concept". This project will contribute to the implementation of Kazakhstan's Green Economy strategy in the water sector and will provide capacity building and relevant policy, legislative and normative advice to policy makers. In 2013 the process of EU Water Initiative (EUWI) National Policy Dialogue was launched in Kazakhstan by UNECE and OECD as strategic partners. The Steering Committee, established according to the order № 12-19/713 of Prime Minister from 10 April 2013 has adopted a work plan that includes the activities proposed in the current project. The project is developed jointly with the key stakeholders and fully aligned with top policy national priorities in the water sector.</p> <p>The overall objective is to facilitate the implementation of the water pillar of the Green Economy Concept as reflected in the work plan of the EUWI National Policy Dialogue, thus contributing to more sustainable water management policies and practices, and ensuring that environmental, including health effects, are duly considered through effective strategic environmental assessment procedures. The project will achieve its objective through the following activities:</p> <p><u>Transboundary water management</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of a review on the dependence of Kazakhstan on transboundary waters and its implications for the development of national policies including an assessment of the situation in the Kigach river basin, part of the Volga basin, and the Ural river basin;</li> </ul> <p><u>River basin management</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of policy recommendations, including review of current experience with river basin management plans and preparation of one river basin management plan;</li> </ul> <p><u>National targets under the Protocol on Water and Health</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishing national targets and target dates under the Protocol on Water and Health and developing an action plan for achieving targets, including legal and administrative tools;</li> </ul> <p><u>Training of water managers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of curricula for training and "train the trainers" materials for key universities in Kazakhstan;</li> <li>• Organisation of master classes based on developed training materials;</li> </ul> <p><u>Environmental assessment procedures</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory support to review national legislation in the area of environmental assessment procedures;</li> <li>• Implementation of a pilot project to apply the SEA procedure in one of the regions;</li> </ul> <p><u>Safety of hydrotechnological infrastructure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducting an analysis of current technical regulation in safety of hydrotechnical infrastructure;</li> <li>• Organisation of training for experts in the area of hydrotechnical infrastructure.</li> </ul> |   |
| <p><b>4. Expected results of the project:</b></p> <p>E.A.1. Improved capacity for developing and implementing water legislation regarding international cooperation<br/> E.A.2. Improved policies for river basin management planning<br/> E.A.3. Established national targets under the Protocol on Water and Health<br/> E.A.4. Improved capacity of water managers<br/> E.A.5. Improved national legislation regarding environmental assessment procedures<br/> E.A.6. Improved regulation as well as capacity on the safety of hydrotechnical infrastructure</p>  |   |
| <p><b>5. Target group and beneficiaries of the project:</b></p> <p>Target group: national authorities responsible for environment and water management in Kazakhstan, in particular the Committee for the Water Resource Management under the Ministry of Agriculture and the Council for the Transition to a Green Economy.<br/> Beneficiary countries: Kazakhstan.</p>  |   |
| <p><b>6. Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:</b></p> <p>The project is part of the programme of work of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes for 2013-2015 adopted at the sixth session of the Meeting of the Parties (Programme area 2. "European Union Water Initiative and National Policy Dialogues", ECE/MP.WAT/3).</p> <p>The project is directly linked to expected accomplishment (a) "Improved response to environmental challenges in the ECE region by ECE constituencies" of the UNECE Strategic Framework for 2014-2015.</p>   |   |
| <b>7. Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff):</b><br>2 months of RB staff (P3, P4 and P5) staff annually  |   |
| <b>8. Estimated extra budgetary resources:</b>  |   |
| <b>Donor:</b><br>European Commission via UNDP   | <b>Amount (EURO)</b><br>1,407,000                               |
| <p><b>9. Project Manager:</b></p> <p>Bo Libert<br/> Name  Date 19.03.2015</p>  | <p><b>10. Section/Division:</b><br/> Environment Division</p>   |
| <p><b>11. Cleared by Programme Management Unit:</b></p> <p>Zamira Eshmambetova<br/> Chief of PMU  Date 19.03.2015</p>  | <p><b>12. EXCOM<sup>1</sup> for information</b></p> <p>Date</p> |

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex  
Estimated results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project  
Capacity-building for cooperation on dam safety in Central Asia (Phase 3)

| Part I. Planning<br>(to be filled in before submission to EXCOM)   |   | Part II. Implementation<br>(to be used for reporting on progress in the implementation of the project in real time) <sup>1,2</sup> |   |
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| Expected accomplishments   | Planned activities <sup>3</sup>   | Estimated costs (EURO)   | Actual expenditures <sup>5</sup> (US\$) |
| E.A.1. Improved capacity for developing and implementing water legislation regarding international cooperation | A1. Preparation of a review on the dependence of Kazakhstan on transboundary waters and its implications for the development of national policies including an assessment of the situation in the Kigach river basin, part of the Volga basin, and the Ural river basin | 220,000  |   |
| E.A.2. Improved policies for river basin management planning   | A2. Development of policy recommendations, including review of current experience with river basin management plans and preparation of one river basin management plan  | 345,000  |   |
| E.A.3. Established national targets under the Protocol on Water and Health                                     | A3. Establishing national targets and target dates under the Protocol on Water and Health and developing an action plan for achieving targets, including legal and administrative tools   | 233,000  |   |
| E.A.4. Improved training of water managers   | A4. Development of curricula for training and train the trainers materials for key universities in Kazakhstan<br>A5. Organisations of master classes based on developed training materials  | 339,000  |   |
| E.A.5. Improved national legislation regarding environmental assessment procedures                             | A6. Advisory support to review the national legislation in the area of environmental assessment procedures<br>A7. Implementation of a pilot project to apply the SEA procedure in one of the regions  | 120,000  |   |
| E.A.6. Improved regulation as well as capacity built on the safety of hydrotechnical infrastructure            | A8. Conducting an analysis of current technical regulation in safety of hydrotechnical infrastructure<br>A9. Organisation of training for experts in the area of hydrotechnical infrastructure  | 150,000  |   |
| <b>Total (including 7% of Programme Support Costs)</b>   |   | <b>1,407,000</b>   |   |

*The budget and detailed activities will be finalized during the inception phase of the project (1 April - 31 July 2015).*

<sup>1</sup> The secretariat shall inform EXCOM in case of unexpected developments or serious problems of any kind in the project implementation.

<sup>2</sup> Questions from member States on project implementation will be forwarded to the secretariat.

<sup>3</sup> Detailed planning of the activities will take place during the inception phase of the project.

<sup>4</sup> Relevant information should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity and include the following:

(a) For an advisory service (including at a workshop/seminar/training organized by other organizations): title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlink(s) to presentation(s) and other relevant documents;

(b) For a workshop/conference/training organized by UNECE: title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlinks to the meeting agenda, list of participants, presentation(s) made by UNECE, conference documents, training materials and reports;

(c) For a consultancy: project expenditures; hyperlinks to the consultancy ToR and main outputs (study, report, training material, presentation, etc.); produced by the consultant/s;

(d) For other outputs not included under bullet points above: hyperlink to relevant documents.

<sup>5</sup> Relevant financial information – certified by the Executive Office - should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity.