



National Policy Dialogues on IWRM in EECCA with UNECE as key strategic partner



# National Policy Dialogues on Integrated Water Resources Management

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## **NPDs are the main operational instrument of the EU Water Initiative with:**

- UNECE as key strategic partner on IWRM, transboundary waters
- OECD as key strategic partner on water supply and sanitation as well as financing
- NPDs is a joint process implemented in a consultation and cooperation with other donors, UNECE member states, NGOs, research organisations



## **NPD IWRM supported in 2009 – 2012**

- The European Union Water Initiative
- Government of Switzerland – Uzbekistan NPD
- Government of Finland - confirmed support to Kyrgyzstan and Georgia
- Proposal for Turkmenistan support to Norwegian Government





## **NPD AS A POLICY PROCESS -**

The focus of the UNECE-supported policy dialogue is on assistance to strengthen IWRM in line with the principles of the UNECE Water Convention, the Protocol on Water and Health, the EU Water Framework Directive and other UNECE and European Union instruments.

Their main outcome are “policy packages”, which include legislative acts, strategies, ministerial orders, and plans of implementation.





## Current NPD-IWRM activities – ENP REGION

| <b>Instruments/frameworks</b>                        | <b>AM</b> | <b>AZ</b> | <b>MD</b> | <b>UA</b> | <b>GE</b> |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| WFD principles                                       | X         | X         |           |           | X         |
| Water Convention principles                          | X         | X         | X         | X         | X         |
| Protocol Water & Health                              | X         |           | X         | X         | X         |
| Urban Wastewater Directive                           |           | X         | X         |           |           |
| Climate change adaptation (EU and UNECE instruments) | X         | ?         |           | X         |           |
| Flood Directive/UNECE instruments - PES              | X         |           |           | X         |           |
| Institutional frameworks (e.g. RBC)                  |           |           | X         |           |           |



## Current NPD-IWRM activities – Central Asia

| <b>Instruments/frameworks</b>                        | <b>UZ</b> | <b>KG</b> | <b>TJ</b> | <b>TM</b> | <b>KZ</b> |
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| WFD principles                                       |           |           |           |           |           |
| Water Convention principles                          | X         | X         | X         | X         |           |
| Protocol Water & Health                              | X         | X         | P         | X         |           |
| Urban Wastewater Directive                           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Climate change adaptation (EU and UNECE instruments) |           | X         | ?         |           |           |
| Flood Directive/UNECE instruments                    |           |           |           |           |           |
| Institutional frameworks (e.g. RBC)                  |           | x         |           |           |           |



**Main activities under the ongoing WSS related policy dialogues\***

| Instruments/focus  | Georgia | Armenia | Kyrgyzstan | Republic of Moldova | Ukraine |
|--|---------|---------|------------|---------------------|---------|
| Financing strategy urban WSS                               | f       | f       | o          | f                   |         |
| Financing strategy rural WSS                               | o       | f       | o          | f                   |         |
| Linking financing strategy into budget process             |         |         | p          | p                   |         |
| Decentralisation and the achievement of economies of scale |         |         |            |                     | p       |
| Financing strategy for water resources management          |         | p       |            |                     |         |

\*o for ongoing, f for finalized, p for planned



## CONCLUSIONS

- The policy dialogue is the dialogue on policy development and implementation,
- Technical assistance (pilot) projects an important component that supports the policy development, implementation and capacity building (learning by doing).
- NPDs follow the national needs and are context specific – show the practical outcome, not just a “chat room”