

Exchange experiences in carrying out self-assessments of the equity of access to WSS using the EqA scorecard at different scales

Inform the development of priority action plans to address inequities in access to WSS building on partners' initiatives

### Day 1

- Background on the work on equitable access to WSS
- EqA self-assessment exercises: learning from finalised ass.
- EqA self-assessment exercises: supporting new experiences
- EqA self-assessment exercises: discussion of common issues

### Day 2

- Action plans: current and future global context
- Action plans: supporting tools and guidance
- Action plans: how to develop them at national/local level
- Next steps

# EqA Self-Assessments: Overview of common issues

# How to organise a self-assessment exercise

1. Clarify the objectives
2. Select a project leader
3. Take the necessary time
4. Identify the right partners and put together a balanced “core team”
5. Ensure wide and continuous multi-stakeholder involvement
6. Plan the workshops carefully
7. Adapt the use of the scorecard to the objectives and the needs of the process
8. Use the results of the scorecard for strategic evaluation and priority setting
9. Present the results in attractive formats
10. Use the results to track progress, not to compare with others

# Benefits

- Awareness raising
- Improved inter-agency communication and cooperation with experts and NGOs
- Common understanding
- Protocol reporting

## OBJECTIVES

- **Awareness-raising**
  - Water agencies, other public agencies
- **Policy development**
  - Identify priorities
  - Identify opportunities for improvement
- **Reporting**
  - Protocol Water and Health

## PROCESS

- **Mandate**
- **Leadership**
  - Public agencies, NGOs, Joint
- **Stakeholder involvement**
  - Limited by speed of exercise
  - Assessment process
  - Social affairs
- **Timelines (6-12 months)**
- **Costs / funding**
- **Periodic reviews (multi-annual)**

## ASSESSMENT

- **Availability of information**
  - Official statistics + expert opinion
  - Data challenges on VMGs, finances
- **Scoring procedure, aggregation of results (consensus building)**
- **Relative importance of issues**
  - Water quality (Ukraine), geographical disparities, (Ukraine), VMGs (Paris), affordability (Ukraine, Moldova)

## COMMUNICATION OF RESULTS

- **Publications, policy briefs**
- **Workshops**
  - Assessment process
- **Web**
- **Media**
  - Press releases, media events