

European Union Water Initiative Plus for the Eastern Partnership

THE 5TH MEETING OF THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE ON INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Chisinau, 25 October 2019



Venue: Jazz hotel, Vlaicu Pircalab St 72, Chisinau

The meeting will be chaired by Ms. Iuliana Cantaragiu, State Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment and Chair of the Coordination Committee of the National Policy Dialogue on Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)

The objectives of the meeting are as follows:

- ✓ To take stock of achievements under the National Policy Dialogue on IWRM in the Republic of Moldova over the 10 years of EU Eastern Partnership
- ✓ To hear an update on recent changes in the institutional set up and developments in environmental and water policies and legislation in the Republic of Moldova
- ✓ To discuss progress in implementing the EUWI+ programme in the Republic of Moldova and get feedback from key stakeholders on interim results.
- ✓ To provide a platform for intersectoral coordination and co-ordination of donor activities in the water sector in the Republic of Moldova.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

8.45 – 9.00	REGISTRATION
9:00 – 9:15	<i>Opening and welcoming statements</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Iuliana Cantaragiu, State Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment - Welcoming remarks and opening of the meeting• Mr. Gintas Baranauskas, Deputy Head of Operations, Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Moldova, welcoming statement
9:15 – 10:15	Stock-taking of achievements of the National Policy Dialogue on IWRM under the European Union Water Initiative in the Republic of Moldova over the 10 years of the EU Eastern Partnership

	<p>High-level Panel discussion on achievements of the National Policy Dialogue in the past 10 years of EU Eastern Partnership</p> <p>Moderator: tbc</p> <p>Panellists (up to 5 min. each, followed by Q&A and eventual short 2-min interventions from the floor):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gintas Baranauskas, Deputy Head of Operations, EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova • Ms. Iuliana Cantaragiu, State Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment • Ms. Daniela Demiscan, Head of Public Health Department, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection • Svetlana Dogotaru, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure (tbc) • Ms. Caroline Tissot, Director of Cooperation, Swiss Cooperation Office in the Republic of Moldova • Mr. Alexander Karner, Head of Office, Austrian Development Agency in the Republic of Moldova) • Ms. Ina Coseru, National Environmental Center
Session 1	Institutional reforms in the environmental protection area of the Republic of Moldova
10:15 – 11:15	<p><i>In this session the assigned tasks and the faced challenges, as well as the concept of the last institutional reforms and the needs for the proper functioning of the institutions in order to ensure their functionality for the accomplishment of their mission will be presented.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Agency (Mr Ion Motelica, deputy Director) • Agency "Apele Moldovei" (Mr Radu Cazacu) • State Hydrometeorological Service • Inspectorate for Environmental Protection • Q&A followed by discussion
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
Session 2	Other structures involved in water resources management and the current situation with the development of water resource management policies in the Republic of Moldova
11:30 – 13:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee of the Dniester River Basin District, including sub-basin committees. Progress in the implementation of the Management Plan of the Dniester River Basin District (cycle I) (Agency "Apele Moldovei" , Mr Dumitru Proca). • Commission for the Sustainable Use and Protection of the Dniester River Basin: activity, topics of discussion, results (Agency "Apele Moldovei" Mr Radu Cazacu) • The Committee of Danube-Prut and Black Sea River Basin District, including sub-basin committees. Progress in the implementation of the Management Plan of the Prut River Basin District (cycle I) (Agency "Apele Moldovei" Mr Dumitru Proca) • Achievements in development of legislation acts in the field of Integrated Water Resources Management during 2018 and perspectives - Integrated Water Resources Management Department, Mr Andrian Delinschi, Head of IWRM Department, MARDE • Q&A followed by discussion on the different key points
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break (lunch offered by organisers)
Session 3	Progress in implementing of the EUWI+ Work Plan in the Republic of Moldova: Results 1, 2 and 3
14:30 – 16:00	<p>This session will take stock of progress, discuss interim results and provide guidance for work in progress under the EUWI+ Results 1, 2 & 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of recent and on-going activities under the EUWI+ on legislation and policy developments and institutional strengthening:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alexandre Martoussevitch, OECD ○ Alisher Mamadzhanov, UNECE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on developing the new mid-term Action Plan to support implementation of the WSS Strategy – Alexander Poghosian, APC • Presentation on the revision of the National Programme to implement the Protocol on Water and Health, Serafima Tronza, MARDE and Ion Salaru, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection <p>Support to improving monitoring of water resources: Alexander Zinke, UBA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation of the water body delineation • Procurement of laboratory equipment and updates on the tender process • Progress in laboratory accreditation • Surface and ground water monitoring <p>Support to the implementation of the RBMP (cycle I) and elaboration of the new RBMP (cycle II) in the Danube-Prut and the Black Sea River Basin District, Mr Pierre Henry de Villeneuve, IOWater with Ms Anna-Casuta (MARDE) and Remy Douguet, SWE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a WSS master plan in the Nirnova basin including a pilot local governance mechanism for UWWT Directive implementation • Integrating the Moldovan Code of good Agricultural practice (COGAP) into the national regulations for Nitrate Directive implementation • State of play of RBMP development to cover the second cycle 2021-2027 in the Danube-Prut and the Black Sea River Basin District <p>Data sharing as a base for knowledge development and multidisciplinary integration, and participation of stakeholders in the basin planning process and awareness raising as key for policy implementation, Ms Yunona Videnina, IOWater and Ms Ina Coseru, National Environmental Center (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data management for knowledge development and integration • Organization of the consultation on the basin characterization (first part of the plan) and collection of feedback from NPD members • Q&A followed by discussion on the different key points
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break
Session 4	A platform for co-ordination and for exploring synergies with, and between other activities on water, implemented by donors and International Organizations
16:15 – 17:00	<p>This session will be led by the key beneficiary ministry. It will provide a platform for co-ordination and exploring synergies with, and between other activities on water implemented by donors and International Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project "Water Safety Diagnostic Study in the RM" implemented with the support of the World Bank, presentation by the project implementation team, Veaceslav Vladicescu • The project "Strengthening the institutional framework in the water supply and sanitation sector of the Republic of Moldova", Project achievements - supported by SDC / ADA, Viorica Staver. <p>- <i>Q&A followed by discussion</i></p>
17:00 – 17:30	<p>Other updates, decisions and way forward</p> <p><i>Decisions by the NPD Coordination Committee and closure of the meeting</i></p>