



**Workshop on SEA and EIA Implementation in Bulgaria, Romania and  
Turkey  
and  
Seminar on EIA of Large Energy Projects in the Black Sea Subregion**

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# Legislation - EIA/SEA

- Law on Environment adopted in 2005
  - SEA – chapter X
  - EIA – chapter XI
- Secondary legislation
- Law on ratification Convention on environmental impact assessment in a transboundary context ("Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia No.44/99)
- SEA Protocol – signed by RM not yet ratified
- Implementation
  - Real implementation on EIA/SEA started in 2008/09 after adoption of secondary legislation and establishment of lists of experts

# Transboundary aspects EIA/SEA

## ➤ Legislation

- EIA – article 93,93-a,93-b and 94
- SEA – article 70 and 71 and Rulebook for trans-boundary consultation for SEA (adopted in 2010)

## ➤ Implementation

- No experience in conducting trans-boundary consultation on EIA/SEA

# SEA Project

- Project “Strengthening capacity on central and local level for implementation SEA”- financed by Netherlands
  - Study tour
  - Internet portal for SEA
  - Amendment on Law on Environment and secondary legislation (screening, scoping, review, monitoring)
  - workshops
  - Two pilot projects for SEA - Water management plan for Prespa Park and General Urban Plan for municipality of Skopje

# Water Management Plan for Prespa Park

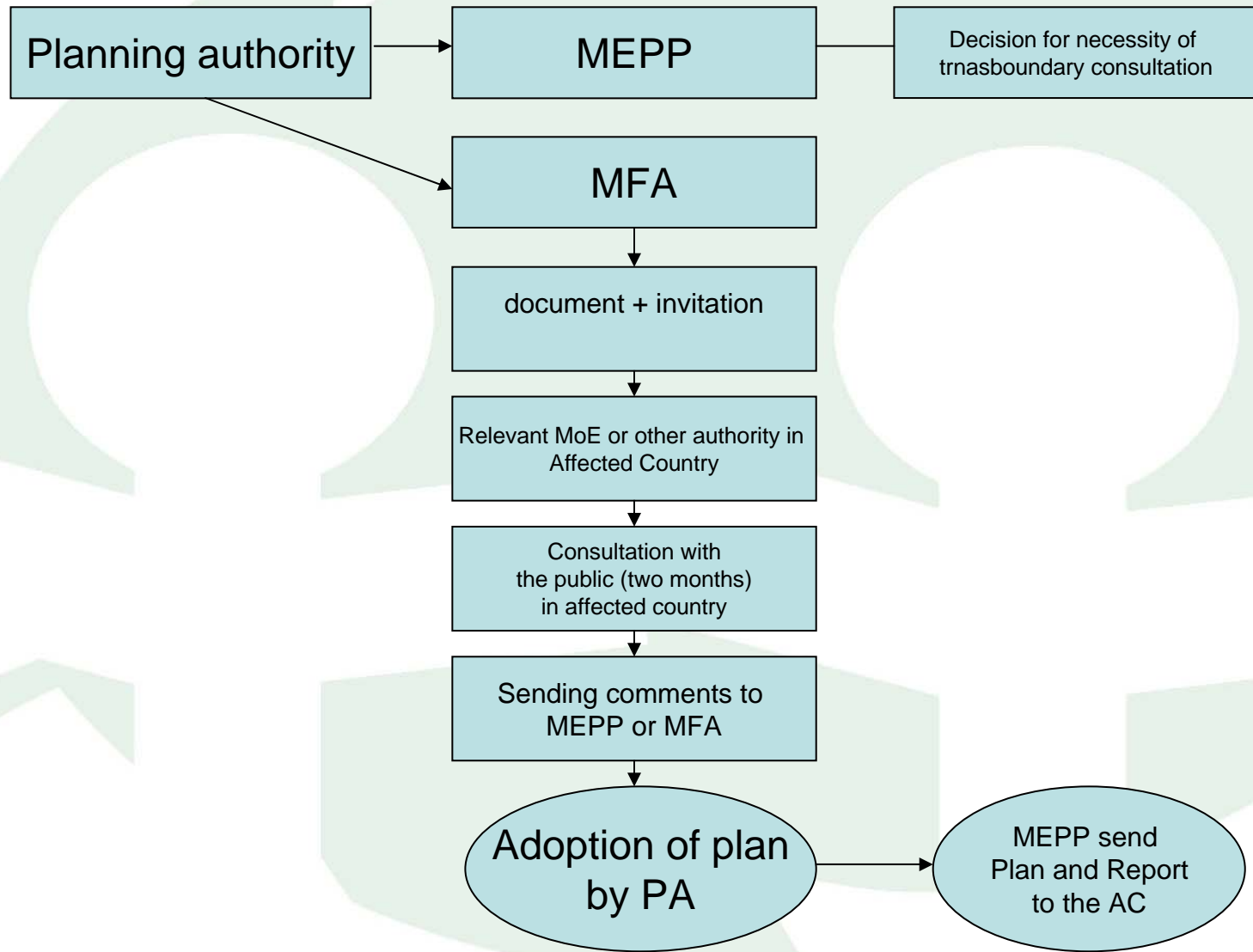
- Law on water – article 66 and 67
- Government on Republic of Macedonia – adopt plan
- Water management plan for Prespa Park – obligatory SEA
- Activities related to SEA:
  - workshop for SEA and water management plan held in November 2010
  - Preparation of Plan is in procedure – deadline January 2010
- Signing of multilateral agreement for Prespa Park in February 2010 between Macedonia, Greece and Albania.
  - Prespa Park Management Committee (CCPP) which consists of representatives from EU, MEPP, local communities, NGOs, local protected area management authorities from each state party (Macedonia, Albania and Greece), Med – wet initiate from the Ramsar convention and observer from Ohrid management committee– twice a year
  - Working group on water management observed by CCPP – consist of relevant parties in each state party
- Transboundary activities



# Procedure for transboundary consultation

- According to the Rulebook for transboundary consultation for SEA the procedure when **the planning document is prepared in the Republic of Macedonia is as following:**
- Planning authority (PA) – body who prepares/adopts planning document and sends it to the MEPP
- MEPP adopts Decision for necessity of transboundary consultation and sends it to the PA
- According to the Decision PA through Ministry for Foreign Affairs shall send to the relevant MoE or other authority in the affected country (AC):
  - Invitation for participation in transboundary consultation
  - Other relevant document (description of the planning document; environmental impact assessment report on the planning document)
- Deadline for finishing of the procedure – no more than 2 months from the submission of the invitation
- PA gives notification for participation in procedure
- MEPP can initiate cooperation with relevant Ministry for Environment in AC to define cooperation for transboundary consultation in two ways:
  - initiate activities of detailed consultations with the bodies of the other country or
  - undertake measures for conclusion of special agreements with the other country to regulate the procedure of mutual consultation through strategic assessment of the planning documents.
- PA takes in consideration opinion and comments from the AC regarding preparation of planning document
- PA sends adopted plan to the MEPP
- MEPP sends plan to the AC

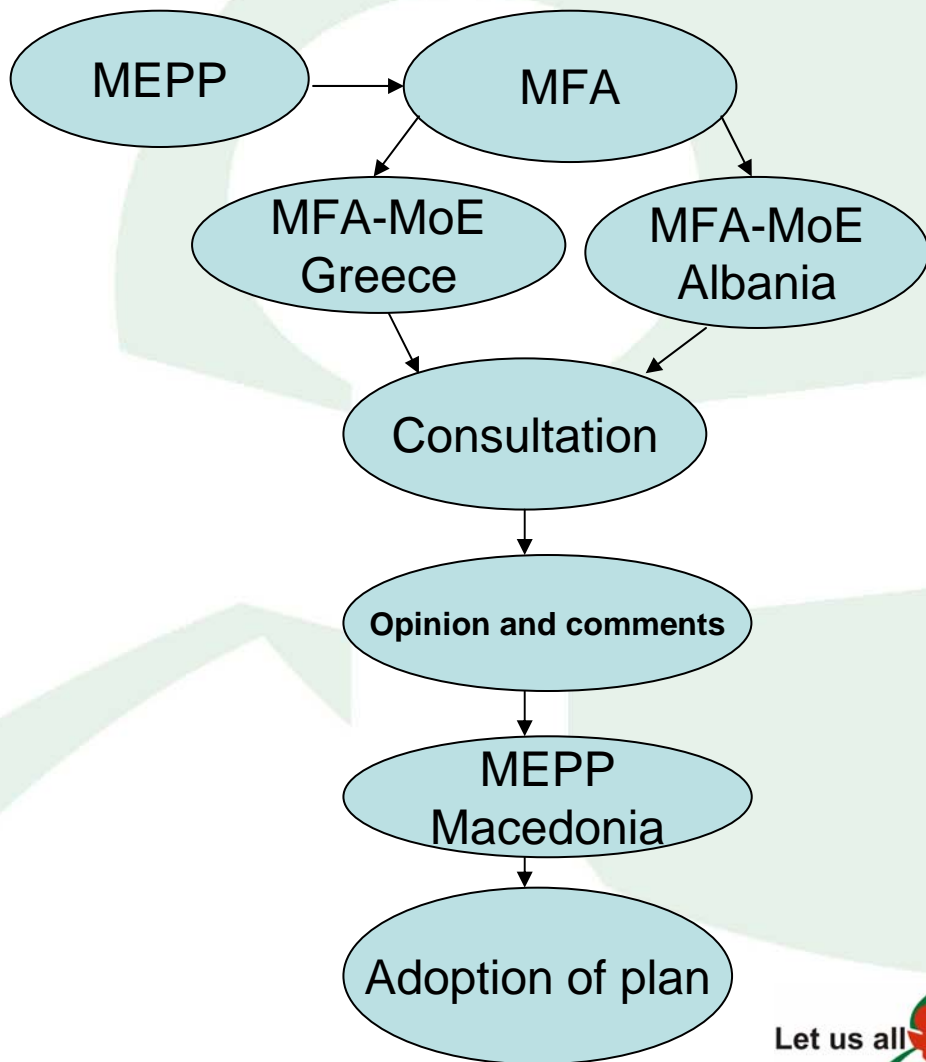
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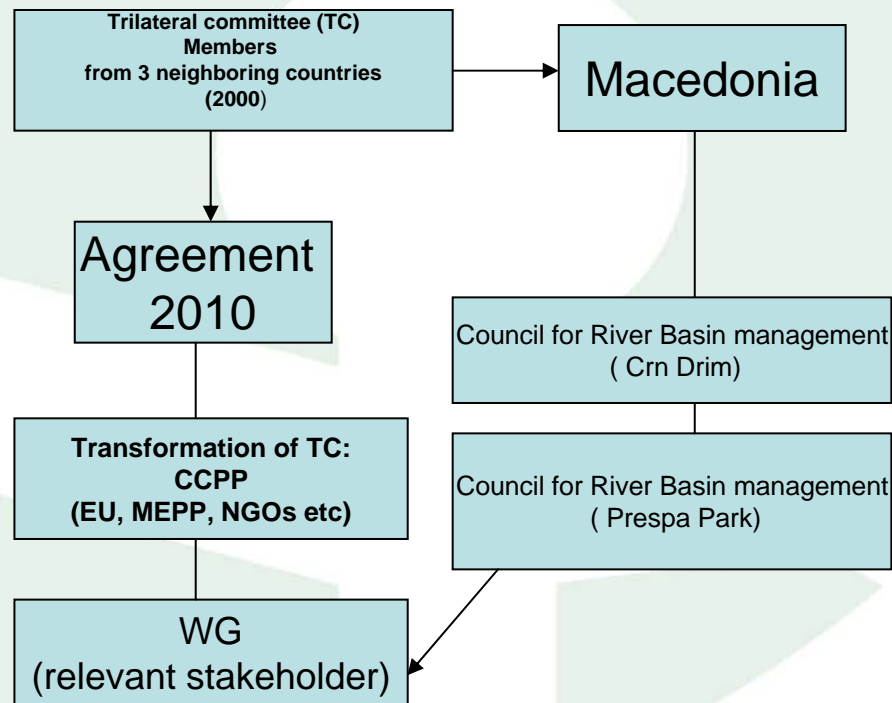


# Schemes for Implementation on transboundary SEA for Prespa Park

First option - according to the Rulebook



Second option- according to the Existing structure for Prespa Park management



# Future activities

- Future activities:
- Preparation of Draft Management Plan for Prespa Park
- Starting procedure for SEA
- Starting transboundary consultation
- Questions:
  - How to decide on which option is more appropriate?
  - How to combine the benefits from two options?

# Thank you for your attention

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