



**THE SECOND MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE
NATIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE ON INTEGRATED WATER
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT IN GEORGIA**

European Union Water Initiative, Component for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia

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*The meeting takes place at Sheraton Metechi Palace Hotel
Address: Telavi Street 20*

Languages: English and Georgian - simultaneous interpretation provided

AGENDA

09.30-10.00	Registration
10.00-10.30	<p>Opening. Chair – Ms. Nino Sharashidze, First Deputy Minister of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia, Chair of Steering Committee NPD</p> <p><i>Welcoming remarks</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Nino Sharashidze, First Deputy Minister of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia • Mr. Nicholas Bonvoisin, Secretary of the Water Convention, UNECE • Mr. George Dzamukashvili, Chairman of the National Water Partnership of Georgia, NPD National Coordinator <p>Purpose of the meeting and adoption of the agenda – Ms. Nino Sharashidze</p>
10.30-10:45	<p>Overview of the National Policy Dialogue process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Peep Mardiste, Regional Coordinator of EUWI National Policy Dialogues, UNECE • Mr. George Dzamukashvili, Chairman of the National Water Partnership of Georgia, NPD National Coordinator
10.45-12:00	<p>SESSION I. INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL REFORM IN THE WATER MANAGEMENT SECTOR</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Malkhaz Dzneladze, Ms. Nana Gogitidze, Ms. Marina Arabidze, Mr. Alexandr Mindorashvili, National Experts – “Concept for a New Water Law of Georgia”
12.00-12.30	Coffee break
12.30-13.00	<p>SESSION I. INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL REFORM IN THE WATER MANAGEMENT SECTOR</p> <p><i>...continued</i></p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Decisions by the Steering Committee</p>
13.30-14.30	Lunch

13.00-13.30	<p>SESSION II. TRANSBOUNDARY WATER COOPERATION</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Mariam Makarova, Head of the Water Resources Management Service, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia – “Information on bilateral agreement with Azerbaijan on the shared water resources of the Kura River Basin” • Ms. Nana Gabriadze, Head Specialist, National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health of Georgia - “UN-Water GLAAS report. Approach and main findings” <p>Discussion</p> <p>Decisions by the Steering Committee</p>
14.30-16.00	<p>SESSION III. DONOR ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF WATER</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Mary Matthews, UNDP/GEF project - “Reducing transboundary degradation in the Kura-Aras river basin” • Mr. Karri Eloheimo, Finland – “Capacity Building on the Water Monitoring and Management in Georgia” • Ms. Nune Harutyunyan, REC Caucasus – “Strengthening Regional Cooperation in Water Sector in Caucasus” <p>Discussion</p> <p>Decisions by the Steering Committee</p>
16.00-16.30	<p><i>Coffee break</i></p>
16.30-17.00	<p>SESSION IV. CONSULTATIONS ON WATER IN POST-2015 GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT AGENDA.</p> <p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Peep Mardiste, Regional Coordinator of EUWI National Policy Dialogues, UNECE • Ms. Mariam Makarova, Head of the Water Resources Management Service, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia
17.00-17.30	<p>SESSION V. CONCLUSIONS AND ADOPTION OF DECISIONS OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE.</p> <p><i>The Chair will recall the decisions taken under the previous agenda items.</i></p>
18.30	<p>Dinner</p>