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PROTOCOL

**of the ninth Steering Committee meeting of the National Policy Dialogue
on Integrated Water Resources Management in Kyrgyzstan**

Bishkek

13 March 2013

Representatives on of the Kyrgyz Republic, international and donor organizations took part in the ninth meeting of the Steering Committee. The list of participants is attached (Annex 1).

Participants of the meeting approved the following agenda:

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Welcoming remarks
3. Overview of basin planning experience
4. River basin plans in Kyrgyzstan and their implementation
5. Target setting in the context of the Protocol on Water and Health in Kyrgyzstan
6. Subsidies impacting the water sector in Kyrgyzstan
7. Experience of international and other organizations in implementing IWRM in Kyrgyz Republic and options for cooperation in the framework on National Policy Dialogue on water resources
8. Consultations on water in post-2015 global development agenda
9. Outcomes of the Steering Committee activities
10. Decisions of the ninth meeting of the Steering Committee
11. Closing of the meeting

Agenda of the ninth meeting of the Steering Committee is attached (Annex 2).

Participants of the meeting made the following decisions and provided recommendations on the discussed issues:

1. To take notice of the concept on basin planning, developed by the GIZ and Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia. Continue activities for development of the unified basin planning approach in the framework of the National Policy Dialogue.
2. To take notice of the experiences in developing of river basin plans in Kyrgyzstan. Approve the proposed approach for basin planning on Chu river. Request consultants to prepare inventory of the existing data and to systematize it for the purposes of assessing the Chu basin water fund and for identification of the key problems. Welcome the establishment of the Basin Council for Chu river as one of the key elements for introduction of IWRM principles on basin level.
3. To approve final report on Targets Setting in the Context of the Protocol on Water and Health in Kyrgyzstan, presented by the working group and discussed by the relevant ministries and agencies. Recommend to submit the proposed targets for approval according to the established procedures.
4. To take notice of the report by OECD on economic and financial aspects of water policy in Kyrgyzstan, including analysis and recommendations for better use of economic instruments for management of water resources. Ask the leadership of the Steering Committee to provide priority recommendations on economic instruments to be adopted by respective state bodies.
5. To take notice of the information about the projects implemented by the WB/SDC, EU/UNDP and EBRD in Kyrgyz water sector. With the degree of satisfaction take notice of the coordinating role, played by the National Policy Dialogue in regard to the projects of international organizations in water sector.
6. To take into consideration the information about ongoing consultations on post-2015 global development agenda. Support proposals to have water as a standalone goal among future Sustainable Development Goals.
7. To take notice of the information about preparation of the policy brief on the process of National Policy Dialogue on water resources in Kyrgyzstan. Approve the conclusions and recommendations, presented in the policy brief. Recommend the brief to be published.
8. To continue work of the National Policy Dialogue on water resources in Kyrgyzstan in priority areas, defined on the eighth meeting of the Steering Committee.
9. To conduct the next meeting of the Steering Committee in the framework of the National Policy Dialogue on IWRM in Kyrgyzstan in Autumn of 2013 in Bishkek.

Chairman

/Signature/

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The meeting was held in Park Hotel, Conference-hall

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AGENDA

08.45-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.30	<p>Opening. Adoption of the agenda. <i>Chair – A.Sh. Dzhailoobaev, Deputy Director, Department of Water Management and Melioration of the Ministry of Agriculture and Melioration of the Kyrgyz Republic</i></p> <p><i>Welcoming remarks</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ambassador Chantal Hebberecht, Head of EU Delegation to the Kyrgyz Republic</i> • <i>Mr. Peep Mardiste, UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)</i> • <i>Mr. Alexandre Martoussevitch, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)</i> • <i>Dr. Volker Frobarth, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH</i> • <i>Mr. Harsha Ratnaweera, Norwegian University of Life Sciences</i>
09.30-12.00	Session 1: Overview of basin planning experience
9.30-9.50	Basin planning concept, developed in the framework of GIZ Transboundary Water Management in Central Asia Programme (TWM CA), <i>Mr. Alexander Nikolaenko, GIZ TWM CA</i>
9.50-10.10	Presentation of the Basin Planning Manual, <i>Ms. Ekaterina Strikeleva, CAREC</i>
10.10-10.30	The concept of the development of the Chu River Basin Management Plan. <i>Mr. Leif Iversen, consultant, Grontmij</i>
10.30-11.00	Coffee-break
11.00-12.30	Session 2. River basin plans and implementation in Kyrgyzstan
11.00-11.20	Basin planning approach for Chu river. Creation of Chui basin council. <i>Mr. Kirill Valentini, expert; Mr. Ruslan Deviatkulov, Chu basin authority</i>
11.20-11.40	Basin planning approach for Isfara river, <i>Dr. Frank Schrader, GIZTWM CA</i>
11.40-12.00	Basin planning approach for Kugart and Talas rivers. <i>Ms. Ekaterina Sakhvaeva, Department for Water Resources and Melioration</i>
12.00-13.00	Discussion on the need to adapt one common basin planning approach for all basins
13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.40	Session 3: Setting targets in the context of the Protocol on Water and Health in Kyrgyzstan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr. Erkin Orolbaev, expert</i> • <i>Ms. Nina Vashneva, Ministry of Health</i> <p>Discussion</p>
14.40-16.20	Session 4: Subsidies impacting the water sector in Kyrgyzstan, OECD
14.40-14.50	Introduction and brief reminder of the objectives and scope of the work on subsidies in the context of the dialogue on improving the use of economic instruments for water resource management in Kyrgyzstan - <i>Mr. Alexandre Martoussevitch, OECD</i>
14.50-15.20	Key findings and recommendations on subsidies impacting the water sector in Kyrgyzstan - <i>Mr. Tom Kendall, consultant Atkins</i>
15.20-15.30	Proposed approach to implementing the recommendations - <i>Mr. Alexandre Martoussevitch, OECD and Ms. Claire Allaway, consultant Atkins</i>
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee-break
16.00 – 16.20	Discussion
16.20 – 17.20	<p>Session 5: Experience of international and other organizations in IWRM implementation in the Kyrgyz Republic and opportunities for future cooperation in the framework of the National Policy Dialogue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Water Sector Capacity Building Project co-sponsored by World Bank/SDC/DWR, <i>Mr. Tilek Isabekov</i> • UNDP project, <i>Mr. Ryspek Apasov</i> • EBRD project, <i>Mr. Talay Asylbekov</i>
17.20 – 17.40	Session 6: Consultations on water in post-2015 Global Development Agenda
17.20 – 17.30	Consultation process on the post-2015 global development agenda: water. <i>Mr. Peep Mardiste, UNECE</i>
17.30 – 17.40	Discussion
17.40 – 18.00	<p>Outcomes of the Steering Committee activities. Preparation of the policy brief on the National Policy Dialogue: presentation of findings and recommendations. <i>Mr. Erkin Orolbaev, expert</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
18.00 - 18.15	Conclusions of the Steering Committee meeting and decisions on future activities <i>Chair – A.Sh.Dzhailoobaev</i>
18.15	Dinner