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Cooperation with the Protocol on Water and Health

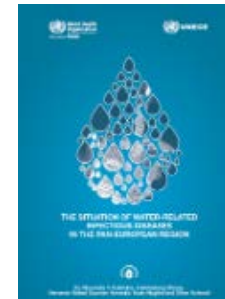
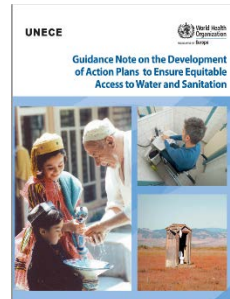
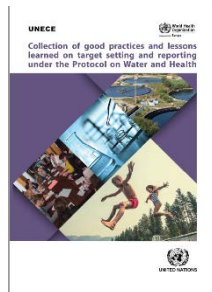
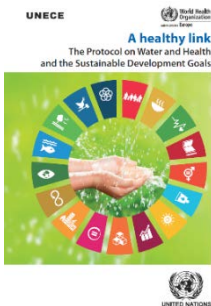
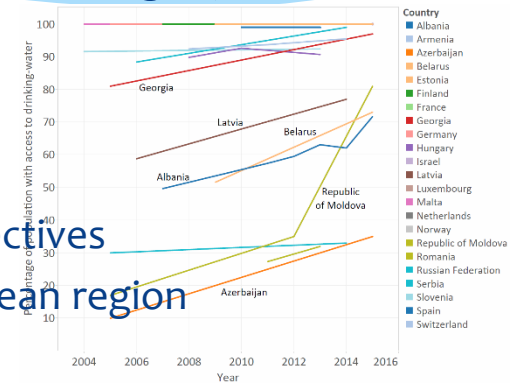
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4th session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health (Geneva, 14–16 November 2016)

- * MOP4 - important milestone in moving forward the water and health agenda in the pan-European region (review of progress, achievements, challenges)
- * High-level session on the Protocol and 2030 Agenda
 - Unfinished water, sanitation and health agenda
 - Protocol – precursor of SDGs and will help making them a reality
 - Importance of transboundary cooperation to achieve Protocol objectives
 - Climate change – shared concern and key priority across pan-European region
 - Importance of intersectoral cooperation and partnerships
- * Protocol recognized as powerful regional platform providing tools to operationalize the achievement of SDGs
- * Ambitious programme of work for 2017–2019 adopted



Programme of work for 2017-2019

- Improving governance for water and health
- Prevention and reduction of water-related diseases
- Institutional water, sanitation and hygiene
- Small-scale water supplies and sanitation
- Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems
- Equitable access to water and sanitation: translating the human right to water and sanitation into practice
- **Increasing resilience to climate change**

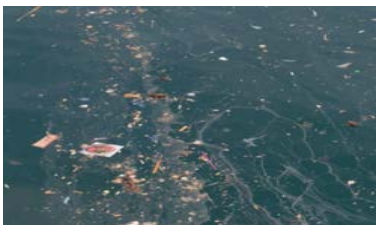
*** Opportunities for joint work with the Water Convention**

Programme Area 7: Increasing resilience to climate change

Objectives: Strengthen resilience of communities to water-related disasters and other effects induced by climate change

Activity to be organized in cooperation with the Water Convention:

- * 11-12 December 2017, Geneva: Global workshop on climate change adaptation - focus on impact of water scarcity on human health and identifying good practices in water resource management, including wastewater reuse, to address water scarcity at different levels
- * Bringing together water and health experts from different regions of the world



Thank you for your attention!

More information:

http://www.unece.org/env/water/pwh_text/text_protocol.html

