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# NATIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE IN GEORGIA

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# ADVANTAGES

- *Focused on three priority areas:*
  - (1) preparation of the National Water Law based on the IWRM principles;
  - (2) setting targets for implementation of the UNECE/WHO Protocol on Water and Health of the UNECE Water Convention;
  - (3) transboundary water cooperation with the neighboring Azerbaijan.
- *Main Stackholders are involved*
- *Provides an opportunity to make a clear political analysis in the field of water management*



# MAJOR CHALLENGES

- There is no clear cross-sectoral coordination between stakeholders
- Some problems in the process of NPD in connection with the restructuring of government and redistribution of functions



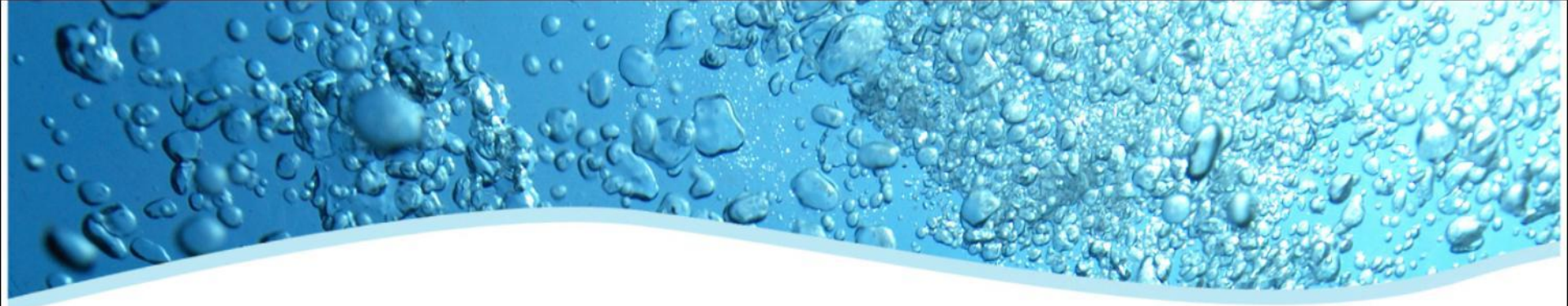
# POLICY PACKAGE

- The existing law on water has become extremely inconsistent with other sectoral legislation. New framework law on water will be redrafted.
- The law will address all types of water bodies including groundwater and both water quality and quantity. It will provide for water management at a river-basin level and incorporate all aspects of integrated water resources management, including a water classification system, water quality objectives and standards, water use, water resources planning, pollution prevention, monitoring and enforcement, flood risk management and public participation.

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# ROLE OF THE NPD AND STEERING COMMITTEE

- Raising the issue of water protection legislation to the political level
- Improving coordination between key ministries and other stakeholders



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