

Project title: European Union Water Initiative National Policy Dialogues in Central Asia (2019-2022)

Expected timing/ duration: September 2019-September 2022

Objective and brief summary of the project:

The project (action) aims to ensure continuation and enhancement of the National Policy Dialogues (NPDs) on Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) and Water Supply and Sanitation under the EU Water Initiative and will be implemented as part of the European Union–Central Asia Water, Environment and Climate Change Cooperation (WECOOP) programme. The objective of the activities to be implemented by UNECE is to support the WECOOP programme by enhancing the inter-sectoral coordination for water security primarily at the national level in Central Asian countries. The European Union Water Initiative (EUWI) was launched at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg in 2002. The overriding aim of the EUWI is to coordinate EU development assistance in the field of water. Over a decade ago, the EU identified the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) as strategic partners for the implementation of the EUWI in the region of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. UNECE will implement the following four outputs and activities:

EA1.1/Output 1.1. Water “policy packages” prepared for discussion at regular EU Water Initiative (EUWI) National Policy Dialogue meetings

A1.1.1. Provide expert advice to develop priority “policy packages” in Kazakhstan

A1.1.2. Provide expert advice to develop priority “policy packages” in Kyrgyzstan

A1.1.3. Provide expert advice to develop priority “policy packages” in Tajikistan

EA1.2/Output 1.2. National Policy Dialogue Steering Committee and Working Group meetings operational in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan

A1.2.1. Support to the organization of NPD Steering Committee meetings in Kyrgyzstan

A1.2.2. Support to the organization of NPD Steering Committee meetings in Kazakhstan

A1.2.3. Support to the organization of NPD Steering Committee meetings in Tajikistan

A1.2.4. Support to the organization of a potential regional meeting to discuss inter-sectoral cooperation on water and to exchange experience on IWRM, including with regards to accidental water pollution

EA1.3/Output 1.3. EU Water Initiative National Policy Dialogue (re)launched in Uzbekistan and/or Turkmenistan

A1.3.1. Consultations with relevant government agencies to ensure the (re)launch of the NPD process in Turkmenistan

A1.3.2. Consultations with relevant government agencies to ensure the launch of a NPD process in Uzbekistan

A1.3.3. Support to the organization of potential NPD Steering Committee meetings in Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan (pending on agreements reached during inception phase)

A1.3.4. Support to the development of pilot “policy packages” in Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan (pending on agreements reached during the inception phase)

EA2.1/Output 2.1: Investment project ideas developed for the water sector

A2.1.1. Consultations with relevant Government agencies, WECOOP partners and IFIs to identify green investment project ideas in the water sector

The core part of the project (action) concentrates on sustaining and further strengthening the on-going inter-sectoral processes of the EUWI National Policy Dialogues in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. A robust analytical basis will be developed to substantiate policy dialogues through “policy packages” defined at the national level and focused on priorities selected by the national governments. Water quality issues in a transboundary context, including with regards to preventing accidental water pollution, are expected to feature high among the priorities. In Turkmenistan, discussions will be organized to re-launch the NPD process which was frozen in 2016 as a result of a major institutional reform in water governance. In Uzbekistan, the option of launching an NPD process will be explored.

Expected accomplishments/activities of the project:

EA1.1/Output 1.1: Water “policy packages” prepared for discussion at regular EU Water Initiative (EUWI) National Policy Dialogue meetings

EA1.2/Output 1.2: National Policy Dialogue Steering Committee and Working Group meetings operational in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan

EA1.3/Output 1.3: EU Water Initiative National Policy Dialogue (re)launched in Uzbekistan and/or

Turkmenistan

EA2.1/Output 2.1: Investment project ideas developed for the water sector

Target group and beneficiaries of the project: Beneficiary countries are countries in Central Asia. The main target groups are:

- National authorities responsible for developing and coordinating the implementation of national policies for water resources management and for applying integrated water resources management and basin principles according to EU policy and MEAs;
- Regional and basin authorities in charge for water quality monitoring and water resources management;
- Main interested parties in the different sectors (agriculture, industry, domestic water management, energy, disaster risk reduction) in charge of authorising and controlling the different water uses and emergency situations, sectoral and thematic planning and financing for implementation of measures in respect of the framework scheme for IWRM.

Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:

This project is part of the Water Convention's Programme of work for 2019-2021 (ECE/MP.WAT/54/Add.1) Programme area 3: Promoting an integrated and intersectoral approach to water management at all levels (e) Strengthen water governance and the application of integrated water resources management, in particular intersectoral cooperation, through National Policy Dialogues in countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia. The project is directly linked to the Expected Accomplishment (a) "Improved response to environmental challenges by ECE constituencies" and (b) "Strengthened implementation of ECE multilateral environmental commitments and increased geographical coverage" of the Subprogramme 1 "Environment" of the Strategic framework 2018-2019 and the objective of the Subprogramme 1 "Environment" "to improve environmental governance and performance throughout the ECE region for safeguarding the environment and human health" of the Proposed programme budget for 2020.

Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff):

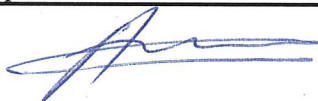
1 month of P4 RB staff and 1 month of P3 RB staff time for the duration of the project.

Estimated extra budgetary resources:

| Donor | Amount (EUR) |
|---------------------|--------------|
| European Commission | 600,000 |

Project Manager:

Alisher Mamadzhanov



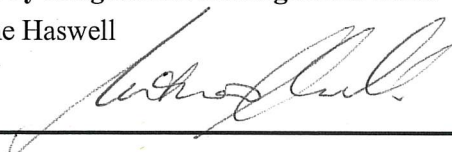
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Section/Division: Environment Division,
Transboundary cooperation section

Cleared by Programme Management Unit:

Catherine Haswell

Chief



15.07.2019


Approved by EXCOM¹


Date: -

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

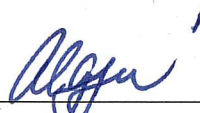
UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE
 TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM
 PART II - (for ECE internal use)

A. Cleared by Executive Office:

Name and Signature:  _____ Date: 22.07.2019

 Michael Sylver, Executive Officer _____ Date


B. Approved by the Executive Secretary:

Name and Signature:  _____ Date: 23.07.2019


Olga Algayerova, Executive Secretary _____ Date

C. For Executive Office use only: Establish project WBSE ID and Umoja Coding Block

| Budget Period | Fund | Cost Center | WBSE | Functional Area |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| M99 | 32ECE | 13807 | SB-013057 | 20AC0001 |
| IMIS Short ID | External Symbol/Org/Prog | Grant | Sponsored Programme | Name of Sponsored Programme |
| ECE-E341 | ECE-E341 | M1-32ECE-000XXX | ECE-ECE-00003 | Water Convention |

Recorded/created in UMOJA Project System by: Cristina Drumea 

Note: This project is being reviewed by PMU and approved on 15 July 2019.

Cleared by: Richard Joon Kong Tay 

Date: 17 July 2019

Project Builder: Project SB-013057



| Project Structure: Description | Identification |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EUWI National Policy Dialogue SB-013057 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EUWI National Policy Dialogue SB-013057 | |

Identification and view selection

WBS Element: SB-013057 EUWI National Policy Dialogues in CA

Detail:

Overview(s):

Basic data | Dates | Assignments | Control | User Fields | Administr. | Supe...

Proj.type: Substantive projects (non-capital) Short ID: ECE-E341

Priority: Proj. summarization

Status

System Status: CRID

User status: IPP

| Responsibilities | | Operative indicators |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Pers.Resp.No. | 10000000 Trust Fund Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning element |
| Applicant no. | 33000000 ECE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acct asst elem. |
| Resp. cost cntr | 1000 13807 ECE Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Billing element |
| Req. cost center | | |
| Req. co.code | | <input type="checkbox"/> Grouping WBS element |

Cristina Drumea

From: Joon Kong Tay
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 6:27 PM
To: Cristina Drumea; Alan Esser
Subject: Re: Updated draft DoA and budget. Project ECE-E341 (SB-013057) has been setup

Dear Cristina,
Fine with me, u can have it signed by Alan and submit to cristian for ES approval with other new projects.
Thanks
Richard

Obtenez [Outlook pour iOS](#)

De : Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>
Envoyé : Wednesday, July 17, 2019 6:20:34 PM
À : Joon Kong Tay <joon.kong.tay@un.org>; Alan Esser <essera@un.org>
Objet : RE: Updated draft DoA and budget. Project ECE-E341 (SB-013057) has been setup

Dear Richard,

I have created the corresponding WBSE and put the data in the portal.
I am attaching the Birth certificate form, please see if you agree and if so I will present it to Alan for signature afterwards.
However, as the donor agreement is not yet signed, I would not push to get the ES signature on the Proposal form before next week.

Please let me know of your comments whenever you can and I hope that you will get well soon.

Best form here,
Cristina



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From: Joon Kong Tay
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 10:05 AM
To: Alan Esser <essera@un.org>
Cc: Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>
Subject: Re: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Alan and Cristina

Based on the attached doc, we can treat this project exempt from ExCom.

Cristina, please create Wbse with new project ID ECE-E341. I remember the last one is E340 which together with other three projects are now With ES for approval. If you can create this one have it signed by Alan for Michael and submit to Cristian for Es approval with the other four new projects.

Using Umoja project structure template to create WBSE should be for Alisher's project is:

Fund: 32ECE

Cost center: 13807

FA: 20AC0001

Project ID: ECE-E341 (please double check on EO portal that this ID had not been used??)

Sponsor program: ECE-ECE-0000XX of water convention

PSC: 7 % EU project

Ok, if you have further questions, Pls let me know.

Cheers and thanks

Richard

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De : Alan Esser <essera@un.org>

Envoyé : Tuesday, July 16, 2019 12:37:50 PM

À : Joon Kong Tay <joon.kong.tay@un.org>

Cc : Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>

Objet : RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Thanks for the quick reply, Richard, yes, the EXCOM form signed by Catherine is attached.

Best

Alan

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From: Joon Kong Tay

Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 12:36 PM

To: Alan Esser <essera@un.org>

Cc: Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>

Subject: Re: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Alan

Has this project gone to PMU and Excom?

Cheers

Richard

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De : Alan Esser <essera@un.org>

Envoyé : Tuesday, July 16, 2019 12:13:36 PM

À : Joon Kong Tay <joon.kong.tay@un.org>

Cc : Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>

Objet : FW: Updated draft DoA and budget

Richard, this is the new EUR 600,000 – when we have the E internal reference number, we can prepare the banking information form that includes the reference field.

Currently I have been storing files in the below folder:

Best

Alan

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From: Polina Tarshis
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 5:24 PM
To: Alisher Mamadzhanov <alisher.mamadzhanov@un.org>
Cc: Catherine Haswell <catherine.haswell@un.org>; Alan Esser <essera@un.org>; Christine Kitzler <christine.kitzler@un.org>; Cristina Drumea <cristina.drumea@un.org>
Subject: RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Thank you, Alisher,

Attached, please find the signed one. Original is with the EO, so you can contact Alan for further steps.

With kind regards,

Polina



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From: Alisher Mamadzhanov
Sent: 15 July 2019 4:44 PM
To: Polina Tarshis <polina.tarshis@un.org>
Cc: Catherine Haswell <catherine.haswell@un.org>; Alan Esser <essera@un.org>; Christine Kitzler <christine.kitzler@un.org>
Subject: RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Polina,

Many thanks, please find attached the updated form where we accepted all your comments and added a bit more details on the evaluation in line with my previous email on this matter.

Best regards,

Alisher

From: Polina Tarshis
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 12:01 PM
To: Alisher Mamadzhanov <alisher.mamadzhanov@un.org>
Cc: Catherine Haswell <catherine.haswell@un.org>; Alan Esser <essera@un.org>
Subject: RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Alisher,

Attached, please find the EXCOM form with some revisions. Please finalize it and provide us with details on the evaluation so we could decide if any funds should be allocated for the evaluation.

With kind regards,

Polina



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From: Alisher Mamadzhanov
Sent: 15 July 2019 11:16 AM
To: Polina Tarshis <polina.tarshis@un.org>
Subject: FW: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Polina,

Just to let you know that the EU has agreed to the changes proposed by EO to the special conditions.

Please see the correspondence below.

Many thanks and best regards,

Alisher

From: Alisher Mamadzhanov
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 10:18 AM
To: Alan Esser <essera@un.org>
Cc: Christine Kitzler <christine.kitzler@un.org>
Subject: FW: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Alan,

Just to let you know that the EU has agreed to the changes to the agreement that the EO proposed.

We hope very much that the agreement can be finalized today.

Thank you and best regards,

Alisher

From: POPOVA Snejana (EEAS-ASTANA) <Snejana.POPOVA@eeas.europa.eu>

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 7:31 AM

To: Alisher Mamadzhanov <alisher.mamadzhanov@un.org>

Cc: STENBAEK MADSEN Johannes (EEAS-ASTANA) <Johannes.STENBAEK-MADSEN@eeas.europa.eu>; Christine Kitzler <christine.kitzler@un.org>; KHALELOVA Bayan (EEAS-ASTANA) <Bayan.KHALELOVA@eeas.europa.eu>

Subject: RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Alisher,

Your revisions are acceptable.

I will send you the final text of the Special Conditions by COB today.

Kind regards,

Snejana

From: Alisher Mamadzhanov [<mailto:alisher.mamadzhanov@un.org>]

Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2019 9:46 PM

To: POPOVA Snejana (EEAS-ASTANA)

Cc: STENBAEK MADSEN Johannes (EEAS-ASTANA); Christine Kitzler; KHALELOVA Bayan (EEAS-ASTANA)

Subject: RE: Updated draft DoA and budget

Dear Snejana,

Please find attached the comments on the Special Conditions from our Admin/Finance. For payments, I hope that the second option, i.e. replacing "further" with "second" would be acceptable to you.

Regarding 4.3, we used the language similar to what our Admin/Finance is proposing now when we signed agreement with DEVCO in March 2019. We don't have yet any experience with Opsys but would be ready to implement its requirements as outlined in the version of 4.3 proposed by us.

Thank you and best regards,

Alisher