

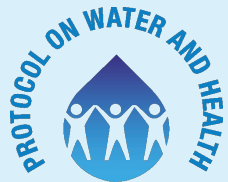
Agenda Item 3

Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting & Proposed Activities in the Future Programme of Work 2023-2025

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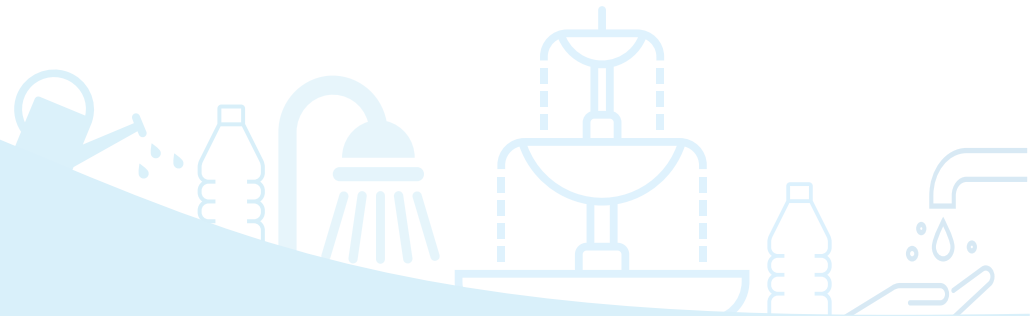
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Protocol on Water and Health



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Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting



**12th Meeting of the
Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting
Date: 17th November 2021
Format: Hybrid (Geneva and Online)**

The Meeting was serviced by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the World Health Organisation Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe) Joint Secretariat of the Protocol.



Participants:

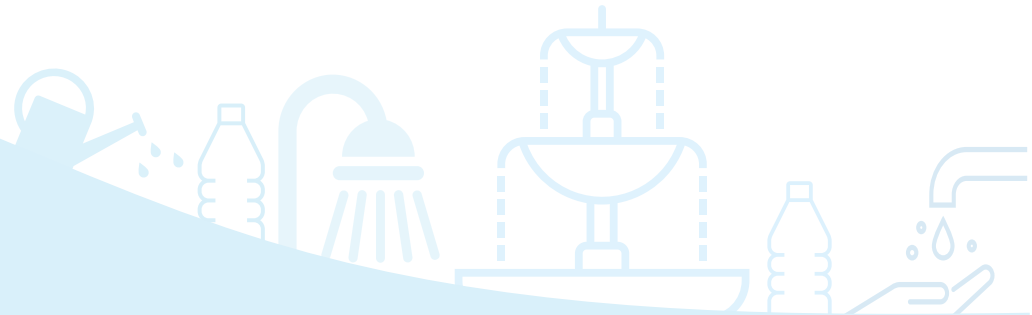
Countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Switzerland. (28 Countries)

International Organisations: Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations and UN-Water. (2 IOs)


Non-Governmental Organisations, Academia and other Institutions: Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment, Central European University, Earth Forever, International Water Assessment Centre and Human Right 2 Water. (5)

Protocol Compliance Committee: One member.

MAIN OUTCOMES



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- **The Task Force reviewed progress by Parties and other States in setting, revising and implementing their targets, in accordance with Article 6 of the Protocol and welcomed the significant progress made by Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Germany, Portugal, the Russian Federation and Spain.**
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MAIN OUTCOMES

- **The Task Force encouraged the use of the Consultation Process under the Compliance Committee of the Protocol for Parties requiring assistance in setting, revising and/or implementing their targets.**



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The Task Force encouraged Protocol Parties and other States to make use of the document: **“Protocol on Water and Health and the Covid-19 pandemic: relevance, lessons learned and future perspectives”** when setting and implementing COVID-19 sensitive targets on water, sanitation, hygiene and health.

MAIN OUTCOMES

- **The Task Force launched the 5th Reporting Cycle under the Protocol and took note of the necessary preparations.**
- **It also examined the Reporting Template and the Guidelines; taking into account the 2030 Agenda, the Covid-19 pandemic, etc.**

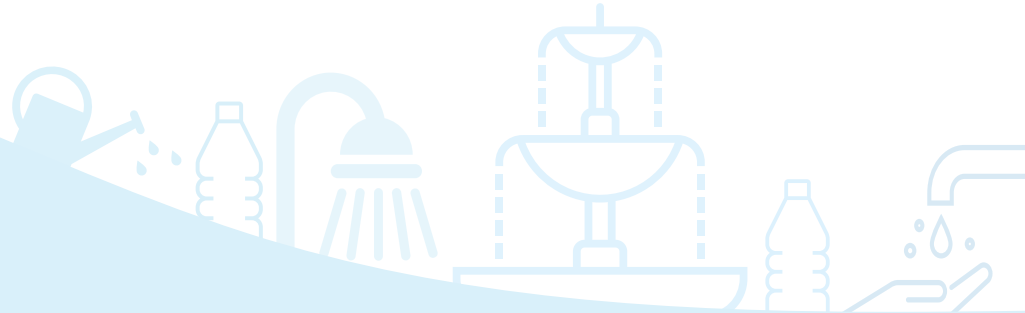
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- **The Task Force discussed the Future Programme of Work of the Protocol for 2023-2025 and it provided insights on thematic priorities, which should be considered and/or strengthened in the Future Programme of Work.**



MAIN OUTCOMES

- **The Task Force agreed to hold its next Meeting in Autumn 2023.**



Future Programme of Work 2023-2025



Programme Area 1



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Improving Governance for Water and Health Through Setting Targets, Implementing Measures and Reporting

Lead Parties:

Portugal, Romania and Switzerland



Objectives of Programme Area 1:


- **Reinforce the implementation of the core provisions of the Protocol on target setting and reporting under articles 6 and 7**
- **Support related action at the national level**



Future Work in Programme Area 1*

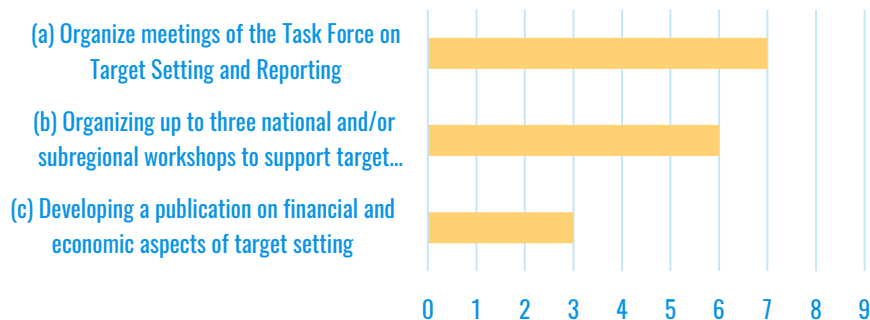
***Based on the Draft Programme of Work for 2023-2025**

ACTIVITIES

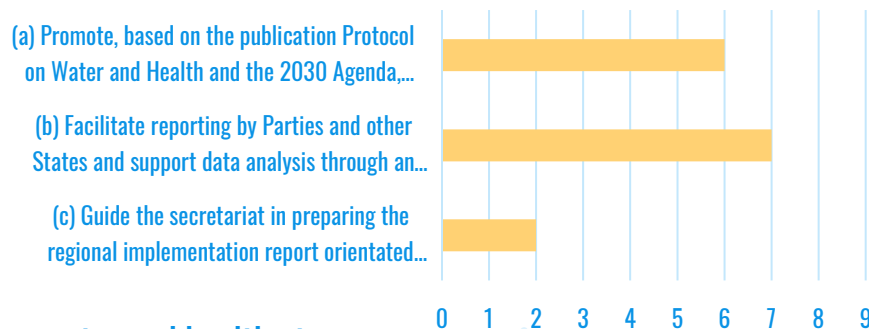
- 1. Setting targets and implementing measures**
 - 2. Strengthening capacity to monitor progress and reporting**
 - 3. Improving governance on water and health at the national level**
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Results of the Survey for Programme Area 1

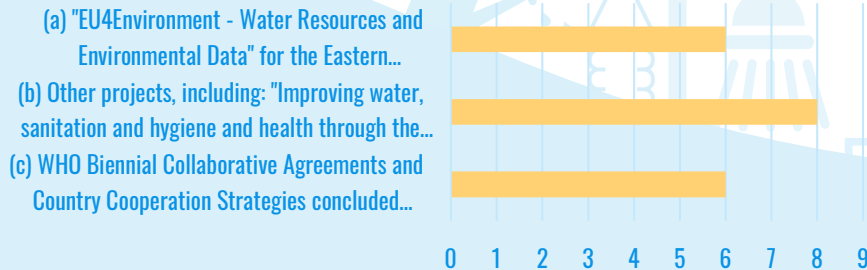
1.1 Setting targets and implementing measures




1.2 Strengthening capacity to monitor progress and reporting



1.3 Improving governance on water and health at the national level



1. Setting Targets and Implementing Measures

- a) Organise up to two Meetings of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting;**
 - b) Organise up to three National and/or Subregional Workshops to support target setting and implementation;**
 - c) Develop a publication on financial and economic aspects of target setting and target implementation. (not considered a priority according to the Survey Results)***
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2. Strengthening Capacity to Monitor Progress and Reporting

- a) **Based on the publication *Protocol on Water and Health and the 2030 Agenda: A Practical Guide for Joint Implementation*, promote the strengthening of synergies at the regional and global levels with processes related to the relevant SDGs.**
- b) **Facilitate reporting by Parties and other States, in accordance with article 7, and support data analysis at the regional level through the deployment of an Online Reporting System for the Sixth Reporting Cycle under the Protocol.**
- c) *Guide the Secretariat in preparing the Regional Implementation Report. (not considered a priority according to the Survey Results)*

3. Improving Governance on Water and Health at the National Level

Assist Parties and other States in setting targets, establishing action plans and implementing measures to achieve them through providing, upon demand and subject to the availability of resources, tailor-made support through relevant processes and projects:

- «EU4Environment – Water Resources and Environmental Data» for the Eastern Partnership
- Other projects, including the United Nations Development Account projects
- WHO Biennial Collaborative Agreements and Country Cooperation Strategies

Thank you for your attention!

