

# Enabling conditions for investments in water security

# **OECD Score Card – pilot test results**

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#### Global status of SDG 6.5.2 and acceleration needs - 2021

- > More than half of all countries report providing less than 50% of agreed funds for transboundary water cooperation.
- > Tackle existing bottlenecks in financing transboundary water cooperation is required by creating an enabling environment for states and joint bodies with shared basins to mobilize financial resources.
- > Different types of financial resources are needed for different stages of the cooperation and basin development process.



## **Tool structure and methodology**

Enabling environment for investment in water security

Investment Policy Framework

How attractive is the country for investments?

Water Policy Framework

How attractive are water policy frameworks for investments?

Water projects

Are projects in the water sector sustainable and bankable?

Other economic sectors

Do economic sectors contribute to water security?



## Scorecard added value – pilot test results

#### Pilot test feedback

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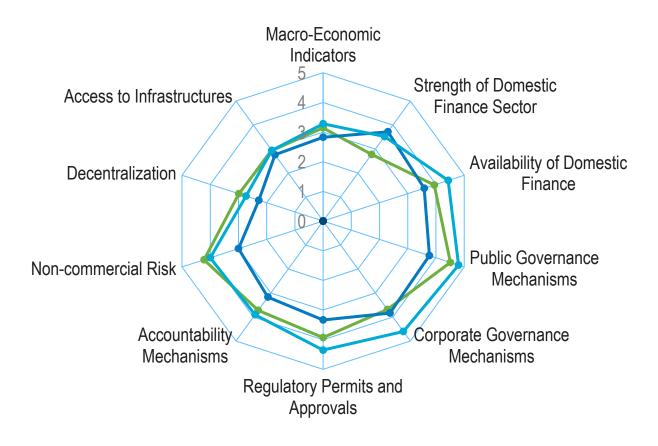
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#### The Investment Policy Framework (D1)



- European OECD member countries
- → American OECD member countries
- Asian and Pacific OECD member countries



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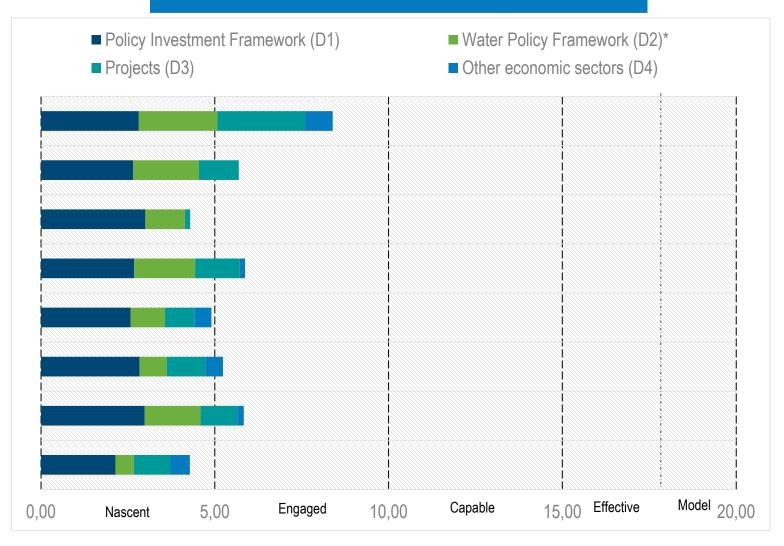
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#### Scorecard overall scoring





## Armenia's pilot test



## Key results of application of the scorecard in Armenia

- > Main beneficiaries of the tools
  - > Ministry of Environment
  - Water Committee, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructures
  - > Ministry of Finance
  - > Ministry of Economy
  - > Public Services Regulatory Commission

#### > Key results

- > A comprehensive overview of the current barriers and opportunities to attract and maintain private and public investment in water security
- > Specific country recommendations to covering the high-level picture as well as specific details
- Supporting the government to initiate policy policy reforms based on evidence-based on the scorecard assessment and stakeholders agreement through the process
- > The tool helps to bridge the current data gaps and advocates for an enhanced data availability from both public and privates sources









> The absence of a comprehensive water security strategy in the country that guides government, donor, and private investments in water security.

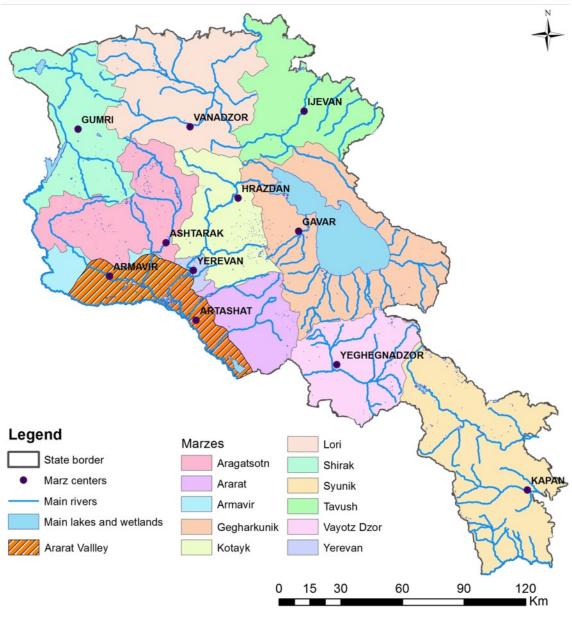
> The lack of formally adopted and detailed investment plans for the drinking water, sanitation, and irrigation sectors.

> The need to regulate the 20% of the population that currently lacks water and sanitation service delivery.



## Regulating service delivery for 20% of self-supplied population

- > Lease contract with Veolia (2017-2031) covers 355 settlements and 80% of the population of the country.
- > 579 of the settlements or about 20% of population remains outside of Veolia service area
  - Water supply services without specialized professional organization,
  - > Service delivery indicators and requirements ae largely absent
  - Construction of centralized wastewater systems may not be possible and individual solutions may be required
- > Options explored during the scorecard process:
  - > Inter-community unions
  - Establishment of large regional water supply and sanitation operations
  - Including all self supplied communities in the service area of the unified operator in 2031





Considering transboundary basins, what enhancements would you suggest for this tool?



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