

# National Forum „Water for Health”

26-27 September, 2016

## Launch of the National Programme on implementation of the targets set under the Protocol on Water and Health in the Republic of Moldova

### Context:

The Forum will conclude the UNECE-SDC project and present and showcase its main output – the National Programme to implement the targets set under the Protocol on Water and Health in the Republic of Moldova. The Forum also aims at strengthening the commitment for action from the government authorities and international donor community in order to improve situation with water and health in the country and therefore the good health and well-being of Moldovan citizens.

The event will have a two-fold approach; during the first day of the Forum, the project and its outcomes will be presented to the civil society from the perspective of the human right to equitable access to water and sanitation, providing civil society the opportunity to express their ideas and concerns. These perspectives will be taken into account and reported on the second day of the Forum, which will aim to sensitize the government stakeholders about the National Programme, and discuss the challenges of its implementation and the opportunities it presents.

### Presentation of the National Programme on implementation of the targets set under the Protocol on Water and Health to the Moldovan civil society

**Date: 26 September, 2016**

**Venue: Palace of Republic, str. Maria Cebotari16, Chişinău (Conference Hall 2B)**

The event will allow representatives of different social groups bringing their experiences and perspectives regarding the water and health issues in Moldova as well as will foster discussion on the perspectives of implementation of the national targets under the Protocol

**Participants:** Representatives of civil society of the Republic of Moldova (urban and rural population, youth, minorities, vulnerable and marginalized groups, urban and rural water operators, water and sanitation experts and governmental authorities).

### Agenda

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| <b>13.00–13.30</b>  | <b>Registration and coffee</b>  |
| <b>13.30– 14.00</b> | <b>Opening and welcoming statements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ms. Serafima Tronza, Ministry of Environment</li><li>- Mr. Ion Salaru, Ministry of Health</li><li>- Ms. Nataliya Nikiforova, UNECE – Objectives of the meeting</li><li>- Eugen Girla, Moderator-Organization of work</li></ul>  |
| <b>14:00-15:45</b>  | <b>Setting the scene- National Programme on implementation of the targets set under the Protocol</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Introduction round of all participants</li><li>- Presentation of the Protocol on Water and Health and its relevance to SDGs, Nataliya Nikiforova, UNECE</li><li>- Presentation of the water and health issues in the Republic of Moldova – Ministry of Health and Ministry of Environment</li><li>- Theme-focused moderated discussion</li></ul> |

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| <b>15:45- 16:15</b> | <b>Coffee break</b>   |
| <b>16:15 –17:00</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Presentation and response of the National Programme on implementation of the targets set under the Protocol</b></li> <li>- Ms. Serafima Tronza, Ministry of Environment</li> <li>- Mr. Ion Salaru, Ministry of Health</li> <li>- Moderated discussion (Moderator- Eugen Girla)</li> </ul> |
| <b>17:00- 17:30</b> | <b>Future perspective of implementation of the National Programme</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Moderated discussion and feedback from the civil society</li> <li>- Reporting from civil society to the official launch of the National Programme (27 September 2016)</li> </ul>                                       |
| <b>17:30– 18:00</b> | <b>General conclusions and closing remarks</b>  |
| <b>18.00</b>        | <b>Dinner</b>   |

## Official launch of the National Programme on implementation of the targets set under the Protocol on Water and Health

**Date: September 27, 2016**

**Venue: Palace of Republic, str. Maria Cebotari16, Chişinău (Conference Hall, 2nd floor)**

The official launch of the National Programme aims at sensitizing and getting commitment for action from the government authorities and donor community in the Republic of Moldova. It will focus on the implementation of the National Programme, the possible challenges and the synergies to be established with other ongoing projects. Representatives of the ministries at high level, experts, international partners and donor entities will be invited to take part in the meeting. A Rapporteur representing civil society will report on the most important ideas and proposals discussed within the first day of the Forum by civil society representatives.

**Participants:** Governmental authorities, experts in water and sanitation, donor community.

### Agenda

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| <b>10.00–10.45</b>  | <b>Press Conference - 2 Ministries/ UNECE</b>  |
| 10.45-11.00         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Registration(in parallel)</li> <li>- Coffee</li> </ul>  |
| <b>11.00– 11.45</b> | <b>Opening and welcoming statements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Ruxanda Glavan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Moldova (tbc)</li> <li>- Mr. Valeriu Munteanu, Minister of Environment of the Republic of Moldova (tbc)</li> <li>- Ms. Simone Giger, Director of Swiss Cooperation Office in Moldova (tbc)</li> <li>- Mr. Henno Putnik, EU Delegation in the Republic of Moldova (tbc)</li> <li>- UNECE - Introduction to the meeting objectives</li> </ul> |
| <b>12.00-13.30</b>  | <b>Setting the scene: water and health challenges in the Republic of Moldova.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation by Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Health of the National Programme</li> <li>- Reporting back from the first day of the forum – Feedback from the civil society</li> <li>- Presentation of the main outputs of the UNECE-SDC project – Nataliya Nikiforova, UNECE</li> </ul> <i>Moderated discussion with the audience (UNECE)</i>     |
| <b>13:30– 14:00</b> | <b>Commitments and conclusions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Way forward: prospects of the implementation of the National Programme</li> <li>- Commitments of each stakeholder present at the meeting</li> <li>- Closing remarks</li> </ul> <i>Session moderated by UNECE</i>   |
| <b>14.00</b>        | <b>Formal reception</b>  |