Adopting a nexus approach to Renewable Energy development in the Drina Basin: Consultation meeting on proposed analytical work

– a side event to the Renewable Energy HARD TALK - organized by the UNECE Sustainable Energy and Environment Divisions

Venue: Parliamentary assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina, room 1/I, Trg BiH 1, Sarajevo

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12:30-13:30

Agenda:

- Ms Annukka Lipponen, UNECE. Introduction to the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) funded project “Promoting the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources in Southeastern Europe, through the use of the Nexus approach”. Scope, milestones and timeline (10 min)
- Ms Lucia de Strasser, UNECE. Proposal for a follow-up project to the Drina River Basin nexus assessment carried out by UNECE in 2016. Assessing the potential and impact of Renewable Energy development in the basin (5 min)
- Dr Vignesh Sridharan, KTH Royal Institute of Technology. The multi-country energy model of the Drina River Basin. Description of the model and possible scenarios to be analysed (considering e.g. renewable expansion, hydropower, carbon emissions, etc.) (15 min)

The modelling exercise should providing useful insights to answer one key question: “How to increase the share of Renewable Energy in the Drina riparians in a way that optimizes the resources available (including financial), minimizes the negative impact on the environment (including transboundary), and maximises the multi-sectoral benefits of projects?”

Questions to be discussed in plenary:

- Does the key question reflect real, pressing issues related to Renewable Energy development in the Drina riparian countries and Bosnia and Herzegovina in particular?
- Among the scenarios proposed, which ones should be given priority?
- Which key actors should be consulted while developing the model to ensure that the best available data is used?