



11th MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL WATER POLICY DIALOGUE ON IWRM IN ARMENIA

Date: December 12, 2013

Location: "Regance" Hotel Complex, 10/1 Davit Anhaght Street, Yerevan

AGENDA

09:00-09:30 Coffee and Registration of Participants

09:30-09:45 Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

Purpose of the meeting and adoption of the agenda - Mr. Volodya Narimanyan

Opening statements

John Barker, International Aid/Cooperation Officer in the sphere of agriculture, rural development, forestry, water, environment and climate change, EU Delegation to Armenia

Alisher Mamadzhanov, Environmental Affairs Officer, Environment Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Tatiana Efimova, OECD/EAP Task Force Secretariat

The recent development in water sector of Armenia - Mr. Volodya Narimanyan

- Creation of a working group in line with EU WFD principles on water quality monitoring and evaluation
- Feasibility study on introduction of the water resources management plan in 6 water basin management areas of Armenia

Reflections by members of the Steering Committee representing different agencies

09:45-11:00 Session 1. UNECE Protocol on Water and Health

1. Presentations

- Results of the baseline analysis for setting national targets under the Protocol by different targets areas – Mr. Vilik Sargsyan, Mr. Tigran Oganezov, national consultants
- Outcomes of the first NGO Coordination meeting - Ms. Emma Anakhasyan, AWHHE NGO
- Overview of the baseline analysis and the process of prioritization of areas for target setting, Mr. Matthew Kahane, UNECE consultant

2. Policy discussion

11:00-11:30 Coffee break



11:30-13:00 Session 1 cont'd – UNECE Protocol on Water and Health

1. Presentations

- The process of target setting in the Kyrgyz Republic with focus on the process of prioritization of target areas - Mr. Erkin Orolbaev, NPD national coordinator in the Kyrgyz Republic
 - Introduction to the discussion on prioritization of problems, and the future process of setting draft targets, compiling programme of measures and indicators - Mr. Alisher Mamadzhanov, UNECE
2. Discussion session: Exchange of ideas on the most prioritized areas for target setting under the Protocol for the Republic of Armenia and mandating the project working group to initiate the work on the draft targets and target dates.
3. Decision(s) by the Steering Committee

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00- 16:00 Session 2 – OECD; economic mechanisms of water management

1. Presentations

- Updated results of the impact assessment of the proposed option for reform
 - The pre-requisites for the reform and the suggested steps towards implementation: Presentation and discussion of results and recommendations formulated so far
2. Policy discussion
3. Decision(s) by the Steering Committee

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-18:00 Session 3 – Technical assistance projects in Armenia, closing of the meeting

1. Presentations

- EU project “Environment protection of international river basins” – Vahagn Tonoyan (10min)
- “Project for Construction of Kaps Reservoir and Gravity Irrigation System” of the German Bank “Credit Institute for Reconstruction” - Mr. Michael Glueckert Redmer (10 min)
- The USAID Clean Water and Energy Program in Armenia - Ms. Lilit Harutyunyan (10 min)
- UNDP/GEF “Reducing Transboundary Degradation in the Kura-Ara(k)s River Basin” – Ms. Lusine Taslakyanyan (10 min)
- Representatives of other organizations and projects will inform on their activities

Mr. Narimanyan will moderate the session and recall decisions taken under previous agenda items.

18:00 - 21:00 Dinner for the meeting participants