

# Protocol on Water and Health: Progress achieved and outcomes of 3<sup>rd</sup> session of Meeting of the Parties



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# 3<sup>rd</sup> session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (Oslo, November 2013)

High-level special session on equitable access to water & sanitation

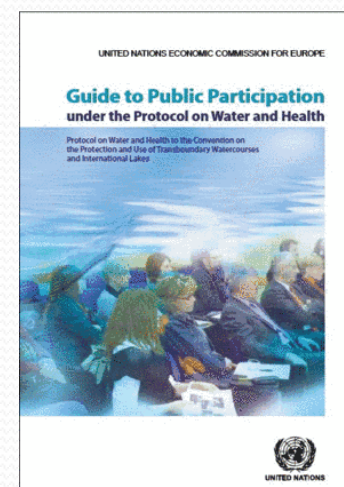
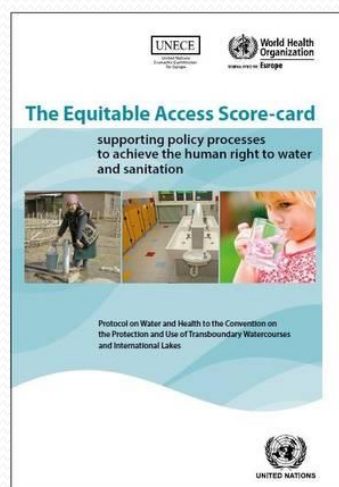
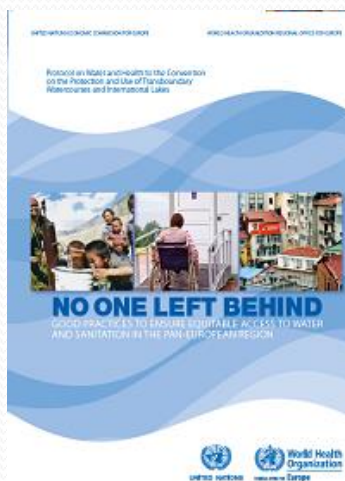


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- Three new publications adopted

- *No one left behind: Good practices to ensure equitable access to water and sanitation in the pan-European region*
- *Equitable access score-card: Supporting policy processes to achieve the human right to water and sanitation*
- *Guide to Public Participation under the Protocol on Water and Health*



- Programme of work 2014-2016 adopted, with priority areas
  - target setting, implementing measures and reporting
  - prevention and reduction of water-related diseases
  - small-scale water supply and sanitation
  - **safe & efficient management of water supply & sanitation systems**
  - support implementation at the national level
  - equitable access to water and sanitation

**NEW**



# Progress achieved

- Armenia, Georgia, Kazakhstan ... working towards accession
- Several countries have recently or nearly set targets
  - ... but many other Parties have failed in this obligation
- Outcomes of second reporting exercise demonstrated
  - Increased compliance with *reporting guidelines & template*
  - Improved overall quality of submitted reports
  - ... but still three countries failed to report



# Compliance Committee

- New consultation process geared to help Parties implement their obligations under the Protocol, in particular
  - assist Parties in developing an accurate analysis of their situation (enabling them to set targets under the Protocol)
  - provide recommendations to Parties on how to improve situation
  - assist Parties in seeking support from donors, specialized agencies, ...
- Consultations do not have an inquisitive nature, initiated by a request from a Party

