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The Soca/Isonzo river basin



*Framework, state of the art and perspectives on the case study
born from the cooperation between the **Alpine Convention** and the
**UNECE Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary
watercourses and International Lakes***

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- The willingness to cooperate has been announced during the last Conference of the Parties of the Alpine Convention (Turin, 19th-20th November 2014)
- The first part of the activities will be developed mainly on the downstream part of the basin.
- The preliminary results of the activities will be presented to the 7th Meeting of the Parties of the UNECE Water Convention together with the timetable for the development of the second part of the work.
- Between 2015 and 2016, the upper part of the river basin will be mainly addressed in coordination with the first part of the work.

The case study on the Soca/Isonzo river basin: the activities under development

- Some bilateral meetings and exchange of communication have been developed for the definition of the specific objectives for the Nexus on the Soca/Isonzo river basin
- The Parties are compiling the diagnostic questionnaire
- Desk study on the state of the art of the Soca/Isonzo river basin and management is in preparation
- In course of definition the agenda for the basin workshop

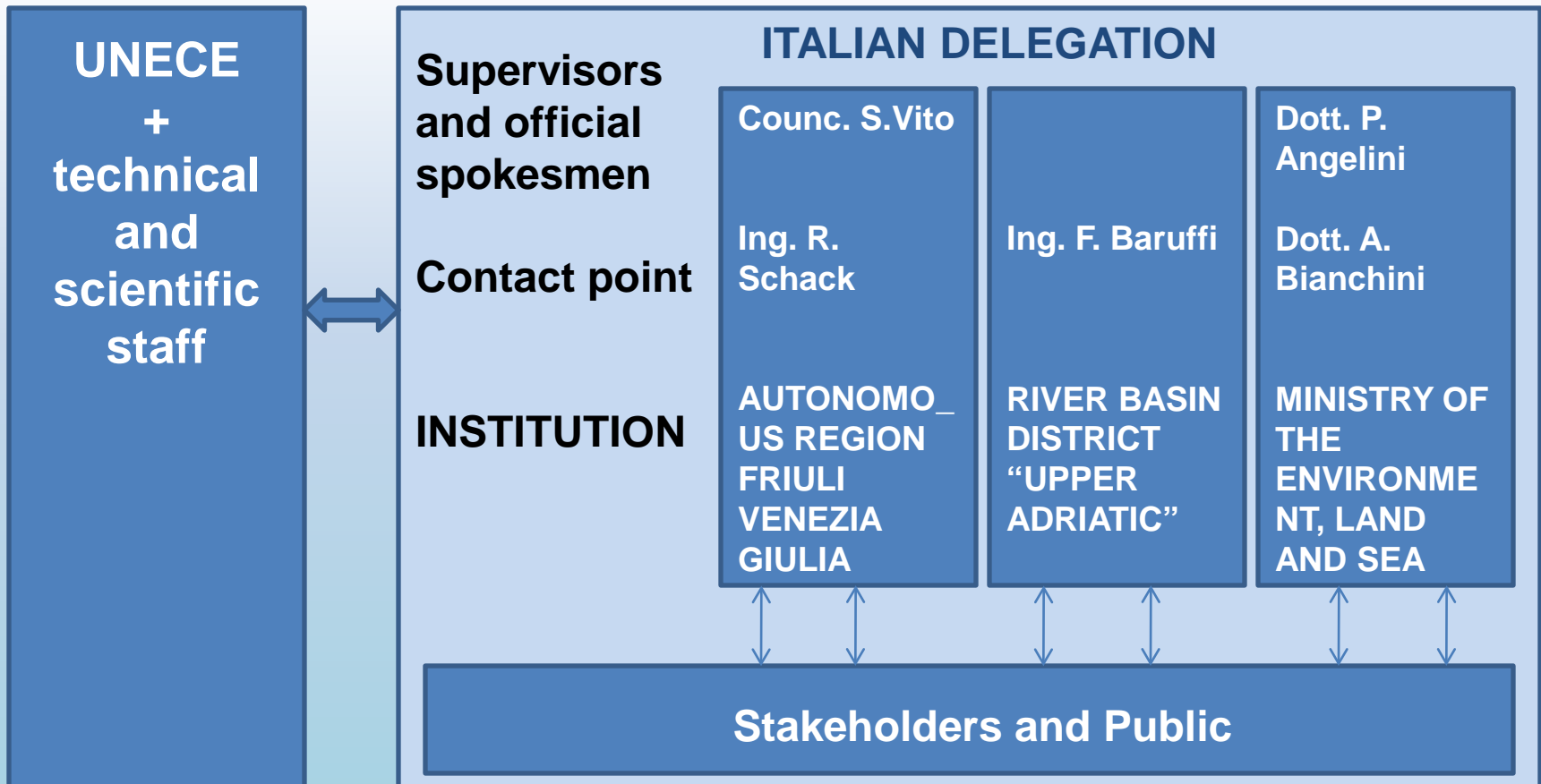
UNECE case study on the Soca/Isonzo river basin: the specific objectives

- Evaluation of room for improvements in the management of water resources available on the Italian side, with particular reference to the relationships between agricultural uses and hydroelectric uses;
- Possible win-win measures aimed at requalification, mitigation of the risks and the protection and fruition of natural capital, already proposed or to be proposed with the objective of improving the “green infrastructure” taking care of ecosystem services and tourism potential (green growth);
- Evaluation of the mitigation measures taking care of their trans-sectoral and trans-boundary impacts, technical feasibility, environmental sustainability and economic sustainability (proportionality of the costs).

UNECE case study on the Soca/Isonzo river basin: next steps

- Organization of the basin workshop is under development
- The workshop will take place in **Gorizia** (Italy) on **May 26th-27th**
- In the morning of May 26th political representatives and authorities are going to participate
- Invitation is open to all the delegates of the TF Water Food Energy Ecosystem Nexus

The organization of the Italian Delegation for the “Nexus”





THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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