

**Astana Water Action (AWA)  
Actions by GEORGIA**

**Country/Organisation: Georgia/ Ministry of Environment Protection**

**Title of the action: Development Climate Resilient Flood and Flash Management Practices to Protect Vulnerable Communities of Georgia (AWA paragraphs 15 a, b, c, d, e and 16b).**

**Description of the action:** Georgia is implementing water-related disaster risk management project/action in the basin of the largest river in Western Georgia Rioni with its tributaries. The action is directed to deal with frequent floods and flash-floods with consequent landslides and mud-streams causing considerable damage on economy and social levels. The project is to be implemented under a project submitted to the Adaptation Fund in 2012-2015 tentatively. [www.moe.gov.ge](http://www.moe.gov.ge)

**Expected outcome:** Non-structural (bioengineering) methods of adaptation along with existing structural ones implemented, new land-use regulations, practices introduced and early warning system established, protecting the population living along the river and around from water-related disasters. The action will serve as a pilot action for the similar action for Eastern Georgia.

**Implementing agency:** United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

**Executing agency:** Ministry of Environment Protection of Georgia (MoEP) through its National Environment Agency

**Partners:** Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia (MRDI) and local municipalities

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**Title of the action:  
Enhanced Preparedness of Georgia against Extreme Weather Events  
(AWA paragraphs 15 d and 16c).**

**Description of the action:** Georgia is implementing the project for a mitigation of the negative impacts of extreme weather events on the population, the public and private property in Georgia. New automatic meteorological hydrological stations (gauges) are to be installed. The

first automatic system of processing meteorological and hydrological data in Georgia **and** meteorological and hydrological database are to be developed.. The project is to be realized in 2011-2014 tentatively.

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**Expected outcome:** Improvement of the social conditions of the population vulnerable to weather conditions and sensitive to the disasters of weather and water origin; reduction and/or mitigation of probable material losses from natural disasters in Georgia.

**Implementing agencies:** National Environmental Agency (NEA) of the Ministry of Environment Protection of Georgia (MoEP), Czech Development Agency of the Czech Republic.

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**Title of the action:**

**National Policy Dialogue on Integrated Water Resources Management (AWA paragraphs 9 d, c and 10h).**

**Description of the action:** Georgia with UNECE support is conducting the National Policy Dialogue to integrate the principles of sustainable development into country policies and according to Millennium Development Goals (MDG 7, Target 10) to promote to halve by 2015 the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation. The Dialogue is to be conducted in 2011-2012.

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**Expected outcome:** Improvement of the regulatory and administrative frameworks and setting country priorities regarding IWRM,

**Implementing agencies:** UNECE, Ministry of Environment Protection of Georgia (MoEP)

**Partners:** Ministry of Health (MoH), other key ministries, private sector, non-governmental organisations

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