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**STATE COMMITTEE ON WATER ECONOMY AND MELIORATION  
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**NATIONAL WATER POLICY DIALOGUE ON INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES  
MANAGEMENT OF THE EUROPEAN UNION WATER INITIATIVE IN EASTERN EUROPE,  
CAUCASUS AND CENTRAL ASIA**

**MINUTES**

**The fifth meeting of the Coordination Council of the National Dialogue on Water Policy in  
Kyrgyzstan in the field of integrated water resources management**

Bishkek

6 September 2011

In the fifth Meeting of the Coordinating Council the representatives of institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic, international and donor organizations have taken part. The list of participants is attached (Annex 1).

Participants of the CC Meeting have adopted the following Agenda:

1. Opening of the CC Meeting
2. Opening statements
3. Interim Results of the Pilot Project - “Supporting National Policy Dialogue on Strategic Financial Planning for Water Resource Management in Kyrgyzstan”
4. Protocol on Water and Health: perspectives for Kyrgyz Republic
5. River Basin Management Plans (RBMPs) in Kyrgyzstan
6. National Steering Committee meeting of the EU/UNDP Project “Developing and implementing IWRM Strategy in Kyrgyzstan” (Minutes is presented in Annex 3)
7. Experience of international and other organizations to implement integrated water resources management in Kyrgyz Republic and prospects for cooperation within the framework of the National Dialogue on Water Policy
8. Further activities of the Coordination Council of the National Dialogue on Water Policy in Kyrgyzstan in the field of integrated water resources management
9. Conclusions and decision-making of the fifth CC Meeting
10. Closing of the CC Meeting.

Agenda of the fifth Coordination Council Meeting is presented in Annex 2.

Participants of the CC Meeting have discussed and made the following decisions and recommendations on the issues of Agenda:

1. Take into account the information on implementation of Pilot Project “Supporting National Policy Dialogue on Strategic Financial Planning for Water Resource Management in Kyrgyzstan” (NPD);
2. Participants of the CC Meeting will provide any additional comments on presentation and NPD Background Paper on financial aspects of WRM by Friday, 16 September, 2011 by e-mail [oeedkgfs@gmail.com](mailto:oeedkgfs@gmail.com) to enable Consultants include them into the Interim Report. Prior to November 1, 2011, Consultants will develop and send preliminary recommendations to the relevant ministries and agencies.
3. In accordance with decision of the Fourth Coordinating Council Meeting with support of the UNECE to establish the Working Group to develop basin plan in the Chu river basin and setting of target indicators in the context of the Protocol on Water and Health. Organise the first meeting of the Working Group on 7 September, 2011.
4. Note with satisfaction the intention of the UNECE to support development of the Basin Plan for the Chu river basin. To approve proposed step-by-step approach in developing the Basin Plan.
5. Take into account information on the World Bank and GIZ Projects being implemented in the water sector in Kyrgyzstan. Support development of the National Strategies for adaptation of water resources to climate change under the auspices of UNDP with financial support from the European Union.
6. Approve the stated proposals to include them into the Activity Plan of the Coordinating Council for 2012. Consider the Activity Plan on the next Coordination Council Meeting. The next Coordinating Council Meeting of the National Dialogue on Water Policy in Kyrgyzstan in the field of integrated water resources management to be held in late November - early December 2011 in Bishkek.

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**The fifth meeting of the Coordination Council of the National Dialogue on Water Policy in Kyrgyzstan in the field of integrated water resources management**

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**Languages:** English and Russian with simultaneous interpretation

**Programme**

<b>08.50 - 09.15</b>	<b>Registration of participants</b>
<b>09.15 - 09.30</b>	<p><b>Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda</b>  <i>Chair Mr. Chyngyz Uzakbaev, Deputy Chair of the State Committee of water economy and melioration and of the NPD Steering Committee</i></p> <p><b>Opening statements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Representative of the Kyrgyz Government</i></li> <li>• <i>Alexander Martusevich, OECD</i></li> <li>• <i>Rainer Enderlein, UNECE</i></li> <li>• <i>Natalia Alexeeva, UNDP</i></li> <li>• <i>Maria Koenig / Abdybai Dzhailoobaev of GIZ</i></li> </ul>
<b>09.30 - 12.00</b>	<b>Session 1: Interim Results of the Pilot Project - “Supporting National Policy Dialogue on Strategic Financial Planning for Water Resource Management in Kyrgyzstan”</b>
09.30 - 09.45	<p>Introduction and brief reminder of the aims and scope of the project  <i>Mr Alexander Martoussevitch, Project Manager, OECD</i>  <i>Mr Tom Wood, Consultant Project Manager, Atkins</i></p>
09.45 - 10.15	<p>Interim results: Challenges for Water Resources Management (WRM) in the Kyrgyz Republic and the Issyk–Kul pilot basin  <i>Mr Tom Wood, Atkins; Mrs Taisia Neronova; Mrs Tatiana Volkova, Consultant;</i></p>
10.15 - 10.45	<p>Interim results: Existing use of economic and policy instruments for WRM in the Kyrgyz Republic and particularly the Issyk–Kul pilot basin  <i>Mr Alexander Nash, Atkins; Mrs Taisia Neronova; Mrs Tatiana Volkova, Consultant;</i></p>
10.45 - 11.00	Next steps and outstanding information/data requirements

	<i>Mr Alexander Martoussevitch, OECD; Mr Tom Wood, Atkins</i>
<b>11.00 – 11.20</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11.20 – 12.00	Discussion of the NPD Steering Committee – comments and agreement on work to date and proposed next steps <i>Chair Mr. Chyngyz Uzakbaev</i>
<b>12:00 - 12.45</b>	<b><i>Session 2: UNECE/WHO-Euro Protocol on Water and Health: perspectives for Kyrgyz Republic</i></b>
12.00 – 12.30	The establishment of targets and milestones for sustainable water management and adequate drinking water in the Chu river basin: Basic requirements and the link to the River Basin Management Plan to be developed for the Chu basin. (see Session 3) <i>Rainer Enderlein, UNECE consultant</i>
12.30 – 12.45	Discussion and establishment of a Working Group on Water and Health <sup>1</sup> - <i>Chyngyz Uzakbaev, Rainer Enderlein</i>
<b>12.45 – 14.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>14.00 – 15.30</b>	<b>Session 3. River Basin Management Plans (RBMPs) in Kyrgyzstan</b>
14.00 – 14.15	• Development of a river basin management plan for the Kyrgyz part of the Chu River Basin Rainer Enderlein and Erkin Orolbaev, UNECE consultants
14.15 – 14.45	• Support to “IWRM and river basin management” Maria Koenig / Abdybai Dzhaloobaev, GIZ
14.45 – 15.00	• Specificities of, and approaches to, the drawing up of river basin management plans in Kyrgyzstan - Kirill Valentini, representative of the company SMEC
15.00 – 15.15	• Review of existing methods of preparing river basin management plans - Leif Iversen, Grontmij
15.15 – 15.30	Discussion and work plan for follow up - <i>Ch.M. Uzakbaev, Rainer Enderlein</i>
<b>15.30 – 16.00</b>	<b>Session 4: Experience of international and other organizations to implement integrated water resources management in Kyrgyz Republic and prospects for cooperation within the framework of the National Dialogue on Water Policy</b>
15.30 – 15.40	• Proposals for the implementation of IWRM principles in Kyrgyzstan developed under the project “Promoting IWRM and Fostering Transboundary Dialogue in Central Asia”, Natalia Alexeeva, UNDP BRC
15.40 – 15.50	• The GIZ program on transboundary water management in Kyrgyzstan, Abdybay Djailoobaev, GIZ national expert
15.50 – 16.00	• The World Bank project to improve water management in Kyrgyzstan - Kirill Valentini, representative of the company SMEC
<b>16.00 – 16.15</b>	<b>Conclusions and decisions of the Steering Committee</b> <i>Chair - Mr. Chyngyz Uzakbaev, Deputy Chair of the State Committee on water economy and melioration and of the NPD Steering Committee</i>
<b>16.15 – 16.45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16.45 – 18.45</b>	<b>Session 5: 2nd National Steering Committee meeting: Project “Promoting IWRM and Fostering Transboundary Dialogue in Central Asia”</b>

<sup>1</sup> It is expected that the meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health will take place on September 7, 2011. The provisional agenda for the meeting will be prepared by the UNECE Secretariat.

16.45 – 16.50	Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda Mr. Chyngyz Uzakbaev, Deputy Chair of the SCWEM, Head of the National Council
16.50 – 17.00	Opening statements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natalia Alexeeva, Water Programme Coordinator for Central Asia, United Nations Development Programme, Regional Centre for Europe &amp; CIS, Almaty Office</li> <li>• Daniyar Ibragimov, Head of the Environment and Disaster Risk Management Unit, UNDP in the Kyrgyz Republic</li> </ul>
17.00 - 17.20	Implementation of the project “Developing and implementing IWRM Strategy in Kyrgyzstan”, Mr. Rysbek Apasov, Project Manager
17.20 – 17.30	Implementation of the demonstration pilot project on irrigation’s improvement in Batken, Mr. Emil Tekbaev, National Expert of the project.
17.30 – 17.40	Implementation of the demonstration pilot project on water account improvement on Chumysh transboundary hydroscheme, Mr. Oleg Makarov, Director of the Institute of Vodavtomatika and Metrologiya
17.40 – 18.10	Discussions
18.10 – 18.30	Further project activities on the implementation of “Developing and implementing IWRM Strategy in Kyrgyzstan” project work plan for 2011, Mr. Rysbek Apasov, Project Manager
18.30 – 18.45	<b>Conclusions and decision-making</b> Mr. Chyngyz Uzakbaev, Deputy Chair of the SCWEM, Head of NC
<b>18.45</b>	<b>Reception</b>