

EAP Task Force



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**THE EAP TASK FORCE'S GROUP OF SENIOR OFFICIALS ON THE REFORMS OF THE WATER
SUPPLY AND SANITATION SECTOR IN EASTERN EUROPE, CAUCASUS AND CENTRAL ASIA**

THE EU WATER INITIATIVE'S EECCA WORKING GROUP

**DRAFT ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE OF EECCA
COMPONENT OF EU WATER INITIATIVE (2006)**

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The following tables presents an assessment of results achieved by the EUWI-EECCA component in 2006 . The Indicators in the table are those used in the assessment of progress of the EUWI Data for 2003-2005, as reported at the World Water Forum in Stockholm in August 2006.

The results and comments in table 1 have been filled in by EUWI-EECCA Chair and Technical Secretariat and are expected to be checked by EUWI-EECCA Working Group Members.

The result of the National Policy Dialogues in table 2 have been filled in by the Technical Secretariat and by UNECE (for the NDP in Moldova) and is expected to be checked by the National partner agencies for the Policy Dialogues in Moldova and Armenia, respectively

Table 1: Assessment of performance of EUWI EECCA Component based on inputs from EUWI EECCA Chair, Technical Secretariat, OECD EAP Task Force and UNECE

Indicator measured	Result	Comments
2. No. of agreements made between EUWI and water sector programmes/organisations	2	<p>« Declaration from Ministerial Conference on Enhancing Environmental Cooperation between the EU and the Central Asian Countries », Almaty, 5-6 April, 2006</p> <p>Contracts signed between EU Commission and OECD EAP Task Force to support the Water Supply and Sanitation and Finance pillar and UNECE to support the IWRM pillar of the EUWI EECCA component.</p>
4. No. of cooperation processes under preparation	3	<p>In the frame of the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI), Strategy Papers and Indicative programmes covering country, regional and cross-border programmes for 2007-2010 have been adopted by the European Commission. The papers and programmes will cover Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova and the Caucasus. All programmes include a chapter on environment with reference to the EUWI. Water related projects will be implemented using inputs from the National Policy Dialogues and the EUWI EECCA Working</p>

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		<p>Group.</p> <p>EU is also currently finalising its strategy for a new Partnership with Central Asia. A specific chapter on environment strategy and water is also included in this strategy with particular emphasis on the EUWI. Water related projects will be implemented using inputs from the National Policy Dialogues and the EUWI EECCA Working Group.</p> <p>Mandate and Work Programme for the EU Central Asia Joint Expert Group on Water established as a result of the Declaration from Ministerial Conference on Enhancing Environmental Cooperation between the EU and the Central Asian Countries. Meeting in Almaty,2007</p>
5. No. of cooperation processes launched	2	<p>EUWI-EECCA and EAP Task Force have held joint Working Group meeting in April 2006. EUWI-EECCA Working Group Meeting held back-to-back with UNECE Water Convention in Bonn, November, 2006.</p>
7-b. Number of National Policy Dialogues with EUWI support planned/launched	4	<p>National Policy Dialogues are in the process of being prepared in Moldova.</p> <p>Interest to establish National Policy Dialogues has been expressed from Ukraine, Georgia and Central Asian Countries. The plan is to start preparing for 2 new National Policy Dialogues in 2007.</p>

Indicator measured	Result	Comments
<p>8-a. Number of ongoing National Policy Dialogues with EUWI support institutionalised in a scheduled process</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>First Steering Group meeting of the National Policy Dialogue in Armenia held December 2006. The NPD, which has OECD EAP Task Force as the strategic partner comprise a water supply pillar, with focus on a Financing Strategy for Rural Water supply and a new “minimal amount of water supply” standard. The IWRM pillar with UNECE as the strategic partner is under development- focussing on IWRM, Water Framework Directive and a pilot basin activity. Key partners in Armenia are State Committee on Water Economy and Ministry of Environment.</p> <p>Steering Committee meeting in Moldova on the Water Supply and Sanitation Pillar with OECD EAP Task Force as strategic partner. The focus is on establishing a National Financing Strategy for Urban and Rural WSS.</p> <p>A roadmap for implementing the IWRM pillar with UNECE as the strategic partner has been prepared. The focus will be on river basin management. Policy Packages include: a new water strategy and new water quality standards. Key Moldovan partners are: Ministry of Local Public Administration, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources and Apele Moldovei.</p>

Indicator measured	Result	Comments
9-a*. Change in proportion of water aid to government sector reported on government budget	No information available	
9-b*. Change in proportion of water aid provided through coordinated programmes consistent with recipient country development strategies.	No information available	
10-a. No. of national basin management support programmes planned/launched as a result of EUWI intervention	2	Pilot Basin activities planned to be part of the National Policy Dialogue activities in Armenia and Moldova
10-b. No. of transboundary basin management support programmes planned/launched as a result of EUWI intervention	0	
11-a. No. of national basin management support programmes ongoing as a result of EUWI intervention	0	
11-b. No. of transboundary basin management support programmes ongoing as a result of EUWI intervention	3	EU supported Research programme- River Twin Programme. Upper Syrdaria, Uzbekistan Black Sea Investment Facility Caspian Sea Environment Programme
12-a. Number of basin organisations established and operational as a result of EUWI intervention	0	
12-b. Number of transboundary basins with formal cooperation mechanisms established and operational between riparian states as a result of EUWI intervention	2	TACIS regional programme 2004-2006

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13. No. of partner countries where the financing WG has made a specific contribution <i>Finance WG lead</i>	1	OECD EAP Task Force Financing Strategy for water supply in urban and Rural areas in Moldova, see report from Financing WG
14-a. No. of country dialogues having contributed to developing financing strategies <i>Finance WG lead</i>	1	OECD EAP Task Force Financing Strategy for water supply in urban and Rural areas in Moldova, see report from Financing WG
15-c. Amount of non-ODA financing of water sector <i>Finance WG lead</i>	No information available	

Table 2 Data to be filled by EUWI National Policy Dialogue lead country/partner organisation

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1. No. and diversity of stakeholders (EU and non-EU countries, IFIs) participating in country dialogues.	<p>Steering Committee meetings of the National Policy Dialogue in Armenia had the following participation from stakeholders: (no and diversity)</p> <p>Steering Committee meetings of the National Policy Dialogue in Moldova had the following participation from stakeholders 7 major stakeholders, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources; - Concern Apele Moldovei and its institute ACVAPROIECT; - Ministry of Local Public Administrations; - Ministry of Health and its National Centre of Preventive Medicine; - Agency of Construction and 	<p>The focus of the NDP in Moldova has been on the Financing strategy for WSS in Urban and Rural Areas.</p> <p>NDP on IWRM in Moldova: in 2006, consultations among the 7 SG members were held, Official SG meetings will commence in 2007 with a much broader participation.</p> <p>Two seminars on IWRM issues are scheduled for 2007; SG members will also participate</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Territorial Development</p> <p>- International Environmental Association of River Keepers (Eco-Tiras);</p> <p>First Steering Committee on the NDP in Armenia was held in December 2006. The steering committee meeting had participation from the following institutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -State Committee of Water System of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration -Ministry of Nature Protection/ WaterResources Management Agency -Ministry of Finance and Economy, Department for Public Services Sectors' Projects; -Ministry of Labour and Social Issues, Department of Social Assistance; -Ministry of Agriculture; -Public Services Regulatory Commission (PSRC); -State Sanitary Supervision Service; -State Statistical Service; 	<p>The focus of the work on the NDP in Armenia has on the Financing strategy for WSS in Rural areas and in setting a minimal standard for water supply. Discussions on IWRM have been initiated as well at Steering Committee level and in meetings with stakeholders. Additional Steering Group Meetings are planned for 2007.</p>
2. No. of agreements made between EUWI and water sector programmes/organisations	See above.	
14-a. No. of country dialogues having contributed to developing financing strategies	2 in progress in Moldova and Armenia	