



EUWI National Policy Dialogues on Integrated Water Resources Management and Water Supply and Sanitation in Central Asia

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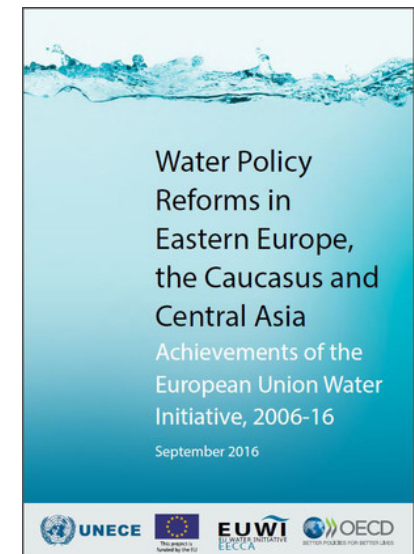
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EU Water Initiative (EUWI) National Policy Dialogues

ENVIRONMENT

- Operational modality: implementation of priority actions (“policy packages”) under the National Policy Dialogue (NPD) platforms
- EU Water Initiative (EUWI) initiated in 2002, ongoing in Central Asia since 2008
- Facilitated by UNECE and OECD
- Mainly funded by EU



EUWI NPDs in Central Asia in 2020-2022

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- Total budget of 600,000 EUR as part of the EU-CA WECOOP programme
- Implemented by UNECE in cooperation with OECD and WECOOP Consortium
- Overall objective to enhance IWRM and inter-sectoral coordination for water security at the national level in Central Asian countries to support sustainable development
- Continue NPDs in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, relaunch of NPD in Turkmenistan and its launch in Uzbekistan
- 1-2 small priority projects (“policy packages”) per country
- Inception phase to identify/confirm country priorities
- Elaboration of investment project ideas in the water sectors

Potential project priority areas in countries (1)

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Kazakhstan:

- Support to enhancing transboundary cooperation
- Cooperation with Uzbekistan on water quality in the Syr Darya basin

Kyrgyzstan:

- Regulation of water tariffs for the drinking water and irrigation water use
- Development of methods for calculating the damage caused to water resources and to water protection zones with a proposal of respective charges

Potential project priority areas in countries (2)

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Tajikistan:

- Development of secondary legislation under the Water Code and the draft Law on Irrigation

Turkmenistan (subject to re-launch of the NPD process):

- Development of secondary legislation under the Water Code adopted in 2016

Uzbekistan (subject to the launch of the NPD process):

- Application of IWRM principles in water management
- Cooperation with Kazakhstan on water quality in the Syr Darya basin

Cooperation and exchange of experiences



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- EUWI+ programme for the Eastern Partnership (WFD and other EU water-related directives)
- Preventing accidental water pollution in cooperation with the UNECE Industrial Accidents Convention
- Support to Water Convention and the Protocol on Water and Health implementation (as required)
- Cooperation/coordination with regional and national EU-funded projects in the water domain (e.g. Nexus)



Thank you for your attention!

<https://www.unece.org/env/water/npd.html>

www.wecoop.eu (upcoming)

