THE SEE NEXUS PROJECT
AN OVERVIEW

Learning Workshop
on Gender Equality for Sustainable Development in the Drin basin
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Nexus – the Project rationale

• How to maximise combinedly security in water-energy-food while preserving healthy ecosystems

➢ Moving beyond traditional sectoral thinking; adopting integrated approach
➢ Reconciling sectoral interests competing for the same scarce resources & capturing synergies
➢ Respecting environmental constraints
Project Brief

• Financed by ADA – Implemented by GWP-Med in partnership with UNECE

• Promote the Nexus approach in SEE – catalyse related actions
  – Mapping of level of integration (institutional, policy etc)
  – Enhanced capacities and raised awareness
  – Assessments to identify interlinkages (trade-offs, synergies, and benefits) among sectors
  – Concrete suggestions for priority interventions

• SEE-wide Regional Component 2017-2019

• Focused activities in:
  – Transboundary basins of Drin and Drina rivers
  – Albania
Project activities in the Drin basin

- Background: Phase I Nexus Assessment (2018-19) in the context of the TDA under the GEF/UNDP/GWP-Med Drin Project
  - Guided by the Drin Core Group (DCG)
  - Consultation in the Drin Stakeholders Conference
  - TDA guided the development of the Drin SAP, recently endorsed by riparian authorities

- Nexus Assessment I included a qualitative analysis of inter-sectoral dynamics related to the energy, forestry, and agriculture sectors
  - Pointed at further analytical work
Project activities in the Drin basin

- Phase II Nexus Assessment (2020-21) under the ADA-funded SEE Nexus Project

1. Interface of Hydropower operations and flood management
   - Integrated water/energy model
   - Representing impact of HPP operations and types of cooperation on water discharges under different scenarios
   - Representing wider power system to understand impacts on electricity production

2. Sustainable Biomass and Forest management
   - To understand implications & inform coordination of policies and management
   - Map interlinkages associated to indicators
   - Suggest a package of solutions
Thank you for your attention!

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