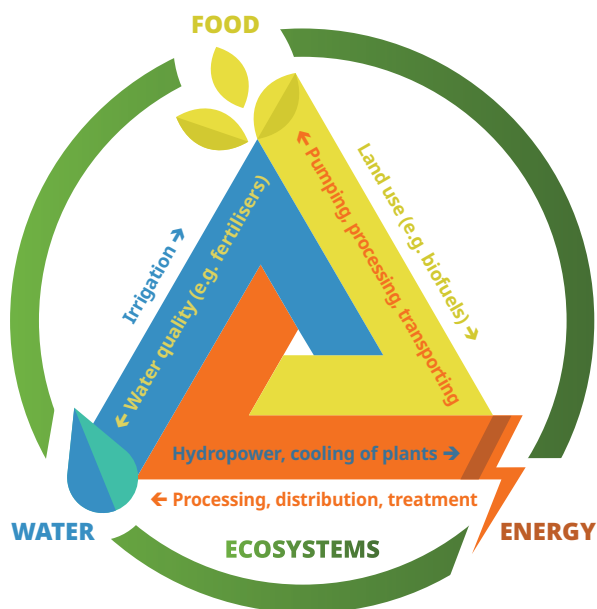


what is the NEXUS APPROACH?

The management and availability of water, energy and food resources rely heavily on one another, and all on the ecosystems that support them.



The **Nexus approach** is about more coordinated, integrated and cost-effective planning and management of the use of natural resources across sectors. By fairly addressing trade-offs and intelligently capturing synergies, overall security of resources can be achieved more optimally compared to a traditional fragmented approach.



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project OBJECTIVES

The Nexus Project aims to enhance integrated natural resources management and, in this regard, transboundary cooperation, as means towards sustainable development in Southeastern Europe (SEE).

The Nexus approach helps capture benefits and synergies in natural resources management, to achieve:

- **Water, energy and food security**
- **Preservation of ecosystems and their functions**
- **Increased climate resilience**
- **Transboundary cooperation**

The Project thus supports the implementation of Agenda 2030, the Region's transition to a Green Economy and also serves Dimension "Environment" of the Sustainable Growth Pillar in the SEE 2020 Strategy.

project ACTIVITIES

The Project has six beneficiary economies:

Albania
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Kosovo*
Montenegro
North Macedonia
Serbia

** This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.*

Through multi-stakeholder platforms and technical Nexus Assessments, the Project will:

- **Raise awareness and build capacities in the Nexus approach**
- **Identify sectoral interlinkages and investigate priority issues in depth**
- **Facilitate conditions for financing concrete actions**

The Project is structured around 3 Components:

Component 1

SEE Regional Nexus Policy Dialogue that includes:

- mapping of Nexus-related institutional and policy integration in the Region
- engaging Nexus-related stakeholders across SEE through 3 Regional Roundtables
- developing a "Nexus Roadmap" to identify options and next steps for SEE

Component 2

National and Transboundary Nexus Policy Dialogues including:

multi-stakeholder consultations and in-depth technical Nexus Assessments in Albania and in the transboundary basins of the Drin and Drina rivers.

Component 3

Participation, Communication and Gender

Project's outcomes will be communicated to stakeholders. Women will equally engage in activities and benefit from the Project's outcomes; related capacities will be developed in 2 workshops.

