THE SEE NEXUS PROJECT

AND ITS ACTIVITIES IN THE DRINA RIVER BASIN

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Promoting the SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES in Southeastern Europe, through the use of the Nexus Approach
Nexus Assessment process in the Drina basin

✓ 2014-2016 Sava Nexus Assessment
  ▪ Overview of Nexus dynamics in the broader Sava basin

✓ 2016-2017 Drina Nexus Assessment (Phase I)
  ▪ Identified interlinkages, clusters of solutions, benefits of cooperation

✓ 2018-2019 “Drina Nexus Follow-up Project”
  ▪ Recommendations on: information exchange, sediments and erosion, flow regulation and environmental flows, sustainable energy

➢ 2020-2022 SEE Nexus Project (GWP-Med & UNECE)
The SEE Nexus Project (2017-2022)

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

• SEE-wide Regional Component (2017-2019)

• Focused activities in (2020-2022):
  – Transboundary basins of Drin and Drina rivers
  – Albania

• Promote the Nexus approach in SEE – catalyse related actions
  – Mapping of level of cross-sectoral integration (institutional, policy etc)
  – Enhanced capacities and raised awareness
  – Assessments to identify & explore interlinkages among sectors
  – Policy recommendations (Nexus Roadmaps)
  – Concrete suggestions for priority interventions
Project activities in the Drina basin

- **A country-led consultation process:**
  - An ad-hoc Steering Committee to guide activities
    - Representatives across sectors and borders
    - 1st Meeting: 15 October 2020 to validate scope of activities
    - 2nd Meeting: 15 July 2021 to discuss draft Assessment & Roadmap
    - 3rd Meeting: 4 May 2022 to discuss & validate outputs
  - National Consultation Meetings to harvest national/sectoral perspectives & priorities
    - Bosnia and Herzegovina: 22 December 2020
    - Serbia: 17 February 2021
    - Montenegro: 26 February 2021
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• A country-led consultation process (cntd):
  ➢ Regional Meetings of EWG on Flow Regulation
    o Under the auspices of the ISRBC
    o To discuss and provide feedback on draft FR Study
    o 1st Meeting: 15 March 2021
    o 2nd Meeting: 6 October 2021
  ➢ “Focus Group” of energy experts
    o To discuss and provide feedback on energy modelling
    o 15 June 2021
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- **Phase II Nexus Assessment:**
  - multi-country integrated water-energy model to explore the future of RES –and hydropower in particular- through selected scenarios and expected impacts of climate change
  - key aspects of flow regulation in the basin, taking into account all water uses and functions - progress towards formalizing some of these aspects

- **Nexus Roadmap**
  - Translating recommendations to political commitments
Project activities in the Drina basin

- 2-days Capacity Building Workshop on CLEW Modelling Framework
  - Training experts from energy institutions

- Workshop on Gender dimensions of sustainable development
  - With the participation of 80 stakeholders

- Preparation of Project Documents for 2 priority interventions
  - Improving sediment management
  - Outline of a Climate Adaptation Strategy

- Dissemination of results
  - Assessment Report in print & online
  - Summary in local language
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All materials available at: www.gwp.org/seenexus

Thank you for your attention!

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