

## THE SEE NEXUS PROJECT

#### AND ITS ACTIVITIES IN THE DRINA RIVER BASIN

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#### 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



- <u>A country-led consultation process:</u>
- An ad-hoc Steering Committee to guide activities
  - Representatives across sectors and borders
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting: 15 October 2020 to validate scope of activities
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting: 15 July 2021 to discuss draft Assessment & Roadmap
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> 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
  - o Montenegro: 26 February 2021



- <u>A country-led consultation process (cntd):</u>
- Regional Meetings of EWG on Flow Regulation
  - Under the auspices of the ISRBC
  - $\circ$   $\,$  To discuss and provide feedback on draft FR Study  $\,$
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting: 15 March 2021
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting: 6 October 2021
- "Focus Group" of energy experts
  - To discuss and provide feedback on energy modelling
  - o **15 June 2021**



- <u>Phase II Nexus Assessment:</u>
- 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
- <u>Nexus Roadmap</u>

> Translating recommendations to political commitments



- 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





#### All materials available at: <u>www.gwp.org/seenexus</u>

Thank you for your attention!

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