

# OVERVIEW OF THE REGIONAL DIALOGUE IN SEE AND THE KEY ACTIVITIES UNDER THE SEE NEXUS PROJECT

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# Regional Dialogue Process in SEE: Spin-off actions and results

#### ✓ Drin River Basin

- 2008: first consultations
- 2010-11: Drin Dialogue Process
- 2011: MoU for the management of the Drin Basin –
   Institutional structure
- 2015-2021: GEF Drin Project (TDA, SAP)

#### ✓ Drina River Basin

- 2014-2019: UNECE-led Nexus Dialogue process
- 2020-2022: Phase II Nexus Assessment & Roadmap



# Regional Dialogue Process in SEE: Spin-off actions and results

- ✓ Sava River Basin
  - Sava Stakeholder Analysis and a Public Participation Plan
- ✓ Mesta/Nestos River Basin
  - 2008: basin level multi-stakeholder dialogue
- ✓ Dinaric Karst Transboundary Aquifer System
  - 2007: International roundtable
  - 2010-14: GEF DIKTAS Project (TDA & SAP)



## The ADA-funded SEE Nexus Project Component 1 – Regional Activities

- ✓ 2018: Nexus Mapping Studies for all 6 Economies + Regional Synthesis
  - A first for the Region
  - A baseline-benchmark to compare future developments
- ✓ 2017-2022: Regional Roundtables
  - 2017-Belgrade, 2018-Skopje, 2019 & 2022-Tirana
  - A first for the Region "Community of Practice"
- With the support of German UBA and GEF IW:Learn



### **Component 2 – Activities in Albania**

- ✓ Phase I Nexus Assessment
  - Review of sectoral policies & settings identification of interlinkages
  - Pioneering at national level
  - Suggestions in the form of a Nexus Roadmap
- ✓ CB Workshop: Cross-sectoral aspects of WWT
- ✓ Project Documents
  - Synergies between HPP & irrigation in water reservoir in Korca
  - Precision Agriculture practices in pilot locations



#### **Component 2 – Activities in Drin**

- ✓ Building up on official institutional framework and policy priorities (TDA, SAP)
- ✓ Phase II Assessment
  - Consulted in 2 Stakeholders' Conferences & DCG
  - Hydropower & floods interface using integrated modelling
    - Synergies with parallel projects
  - Interlinkages related to modern biomass & sust. Forest Mgmt



#### **Component 2 – Activities in Drin**

- ✓ 2 Capacity Building Workshops
  - Sustainable Forest Management
  - Hands-on training of staff/experts on integrated modelling
- ✓ Project Documents:
  - Nature-based Solutions for WWT in 2 rural locations in Albania
     & Kosovo
  - Modern & efficient biomass in 2 areas in N. Macedonia & Montenegro



#### **Component 2 – Activities in Drina**

- ✓ Building up on previous UNECE-led work in the Region
  - Sava & Drina Assessments / "Follow-up Nexus Project"
  - Leading to identification of 2 issues of priority
- ✓ Ad-hoc Steering Committee
  - High-level representatives from all sectors and countries
  - A first for the basin
- ✓ Detailed Nexus Roadmap
  - Approved in principle by SC
  - Consulted with ISRBC



#### **Component 2 – Activities in Drina**

- ✓ Phase II Nexus Assessment:
  - Role of RES and Hydro in the basin, in view of climate impacts and policies
  - Legal aspects & options towards Transboundary Agreement on Flow Regulation
  - Consulted with national representatives and EWG under ISRBC
- ✓ Training of staff on integrated modelling
- ✓ Project Documents
  - Intervention to improve Sediment Management
  - Outline of Adaptation Strategy for the basin



#### **Component 3 – Gender & Communications**

- ✓ Gender Workshops
  - 2 in Drin, 1 in Drina & Albania
  - Engaging broad range of gender stakeholders
  - Pioneering activity (Nexus & gender)
- ✓ Annex on Gender in ALB's Nexus Assessment
- ✓ Continuous dissemination activities
  - News items, informing SHs, publications, articles, videos...
  - To continue even after end of Project





#### All materials available at: <a href="https://www.gwp.org/seenexus">www.gwp.org/seenexus</a>

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