

Working Meeting on “Water, Food, Energy and Environment Nexus in Southeastern Europe” (SEE Nexus Directors Meeting)

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Agenda

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Chair of the meeting: Mr. Arduen Karagozi, Director of Excellence of the Technical Secretariat of the National Water Council, Albania

11 December 2014 – Thursday

- 09.00 – 09.10** **Welcome Address**
- *Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, Senior Policy Analyst, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) Secretariat*
 - *Ms. Gordana Kozhuharova, Regional Director for South Eastern Europe, Regional Environmental Center for Central and Eastern Europe (REC)*
 - *Mr. Michael Scoullou, Chairman, Global Water Partnership – Mediterranean (GWP-Med)*
 - *Mr. Boban Ilic, Secretary General, Regional Rural Development Standing Working Group (SWG)*
- 09.10 – 09.15** **Purpose of the Meeting**
- *Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, Senior Policy Analyst, RCC Secretariat*
- 09.15 – 09.30** **The Environment dimension of the South East Europe 2020 Strategy**
- The content of the Environment dimension of the SEE 2020 Strategy and its linkages with the EU Integration Process as well as the structures and steps used for its implementation were presented to the participants.
- *Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, Senior Policy Analyst, RCC Secretariat*
- 09.30 – 12.00** **The Regional Programme for the implementation of the Environment dimension of the South East Europe 2020 Strategy “Sustainable Management of Natural Resources in support of Green Growth”**
- A Regional Programme of actions has been prepared by the organisations coordinating the dimension Environment to assist achieving the objectives under the dimension. The actions related to the Nexus were presented. The meeting discussed the possible development of a SEE Roadmap on the Nexus aiming at introducing Nexus approach considerations in existing and future basin/aquifer management frameworks as means towards sustainable management of water, land, energy and environment including for meeting climate change objectives.
- Further to the Nexus, the other two components of the Regional Programme for the dimension Environment (Climate Change Adaptation, Rural Development) were presented and discussed.
- Brief introductory presentations were followed by discussion.
- **Water, Food, Energy and Environment Nexus**
09.30 – 10.30 The Water, Energy, Food and Ecosystem Nexus towards Green Growth
- *Mr. Dimitris Faloutsos, Head South Eastern Europe, GWP-Med*
 - **Climate change adaptation**
10.30 – 11.00 Green Growth Knowledge Partnership Programme (GGKPP) addressing related climate change issues
- *Ms. Gordana Kozhuharova, Regional Director for South Eastern Europe, REC*

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

- Rural Development

11.30 - 12.00 Rural Development via Natural Resource Management

- *Mr Boban Ilic, Secretary General, SWG*

12.00 – 13.00 Working Group on Environment

A Working Group on Environment under the SEE 2020 strategy was proposed to be established to guide the related work. The meeting was presented and reflected on the proposed by the RCC Terms of Reference for the working group.

- *Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, Senior Policy Analyst, RCC Secretariat*

13.00 – 13.30 Concluding Remarks

End of the meeting

13.30 *Lunch*