

Conclusions: methodology

- Usefulness of the methodology developed as a generic assessment approach was recognized, while it was understood that flexibility is necessary to ensure applicability in diverse basins. Furthermore, need to update the methodology with experience from application was acknowledged.
- The status of developing the governance component, currently being refined and to be integrated to the overall methodology was taken note of and this effort complimented.
- Comments on the methodology were invited to be sent to the secretariat by **30 September 2014**.



Conclusions: basin assessments

- The first findings from assessing the Alazani/Ganikh and the Sava Basins were appreciated, illustrating more concretely what the nexus assessment can result in
- A number of lessons were drawn, to be taken into account in the preparation of future assessments, including notably systemizing and prioritizing information collection, strengthening national expert support, and arranging, when possible, follow-up opportunities for getting the stakeholders to discuss the findings
- The secretariat is charged to follow up with the riparian countries of the basins identified for the assessment to proceed with the work
- Partners were invited to cooperate in the preparation of assessments and organization of the participatory process
- Status of preparations will be reported on to the 3rd session of the nexus



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Conclusions: Assessment findings and publication

- Secretariat will continue developing the contents, including graphics of the assessment, with the experts engaged
- Draft assessments will be circulated for comments to the national administrations of the riparian countries
- The content is to be reviewed and endorsed by the nexus Task Force in its 3rd meeting (Geneva, 28-29 April 2015)
- The stock-taking and short basin assessments are to be submitted to the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management (Geneva, 24-25 June 2015)
- Findings to be presented to the 7th Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Water Convention (17-20 November 2015)
- Basin assessments to be completed by the end of 2015



Conclusions: Further work

- EU Water Initiative National Policy Dialogues were seen as an opportunity to broaden the discussions on the nexus
- Several country representatives supported continuation of the nexus work in the next Work Programme period under the Water Convention, including Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan
- Proposals for possible future activities on the nexus for the Work Programme 2016-2018 were invited to be sent to the secretariat by 15 November 2014

