



Self-assessment of equitable access to water and sanitation in the Republic of Macedonia

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Macedonia's case

- Access to safe water have 97% of the population, categorizing Macedonia among countries with very high access, which does not reduce the country's commitment to improve access to safe drinking water to 98% in 2020.
- 1.3 million, i.e 63.1% of the population in the country is supplied with drinking water from central water supply systems operated by public utilities that meet legal obligations regarding the provision and control of safety of drinking water.

Macedonia's case

- The remaining 10.34% are connected to the municipal water supply, 22.7% in rural areas are supplied by local public water supply systems, which are not always managed by public enterprises, and 3.86% of the local water supply facilities (public fountains, wells, springs, pumps and other individual water supply facilities).



Objectives of the self-assessment of the situation of equitable access to water and sanitation in Macedonia

- Inform and influence an existing or planned policy process
- Inform the baseline analysis for the target setting process under the Protocol on Water and Health on the issue of equitable access to water and sanitation
- Achieve a better understanding of the situation and challenges related to equitable access to water and sanitation to facilitate the identification and prioritization of problems for the setting of targets
- Identify information and policy gaps
- Raise awareness among stakeholders
- Identify relevant stakeholders and create interactive links with them
- Develop a comprehensive overview of the existing policy measures to address inequities in access to water and sanitation.




Plans for the score-card applying process

- The self-assessment exercise will be implemented by a project core team
- The project core team could include:
- **1) Project leaders:** Mr. Mihail Kochubovski, Institute of Public Health, Ministry of Health and Natasha Dokovska, NGO Journalists for Human Rights will lead and coordinate the self-assessment exercise.
- **2) 3-6 additional experts** (will be included the experts from the water providers, from the Centres of public health, environmental and human rights), as well the journalists

Activities

- **Translation and printing** of the publication in Macedonian and Albanian languages
- **Workshops:**
 - a) **Organize a launching workshop**
 - b) **Organize “finding workshop”**
- **Research for score cards on the spot (will be included 3 parts of the country)**
- **Write the country report**
- **Organize press conference for launch the country report**



Presenting the results of the score-card and using the results for strategic evaluation and priority-setting

- Target setting for access to drinking water
- Target setting for access to improved sanitation
- Evaluation of access to drinking water and sanitation
- Reducing the inequalities in access to drinking water and sanitation taking into account that it is human right



Output

The final output of this self-assessment exercise will be a country report that will include:

- Analysis of equitable access to water and sanitation in urban and rural area in country

Expected results

- The project is expected to contribute to **improvement of the human right to water and sanitation and reducing inequities in access to water and sanitation in Macedonia.**
- Analysis of equitable access to water and sanitation is owned and shared by **key sector stakeholders:**
 - **Ministry of Transport and communications**
 - **Ministry of Local-Self Government**
 - **Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning**
 - **Ministry of Health**
 - **Municipalities**
 - **Public Water Enterprises**
 - **ADKOM – Association of Public Communal Enterprises**
 - **Institute of Public Health**
 - **Centers of Public Health (10 regional)**



Thank you 😊