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Evaluation Form

COMBINED WORKSHOP ON “WATER AND HEALTH” /
ANNUAL WATER-COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE MEETING 2008
14 – 16 May 2008, Phoenicia Hotel, Bucharest, Romania

The organisers would be grateful if you could kindly take a few minutes to complete this Form. Your comments will help us to improve our technical cooperation service, and enable us to learn more about your specific requirements, which are essential for planning and organizing similar activities in the future. Confidentiality of your answers will be fully respected.

This summary is based on 24 replies (unless otherwise stated) provided by the workshop participants

What is your overall impression of the event?

Not satisfactory **0**
Average **13**
Excellent **11**

The objective of the event was to: **“FOSTER BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF WATER AND HEALTH ISSUES, EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW JOINT ACTIVITIES”**.

To what extent do you think this event has **met its objective as stated above?**

Not met at all **0**
Insufficiently met **0**
Partially met **2**
Mostly met **13**
Fully met **9**

PLEASE INDICATE THE **DEGREE OF USEFULNESS** OF THE EVENT TO YOU IN TERMS OF:

<i>Please rate on scale: 1 (not useful), 2 (somewhat useful), 3 (useful), 4 (very useful), 5 (extremely useful):</i>	1	2	3	4	5
1. Relevance of subject to your work/area of expertise:	0	1	4	7	10
2. Knowledge and skills obtained for your future work:	0	0	4	14	6
3. Providing a forum for exchange of information with other participants:	0	0	4	7	12
4. Providing an opportunity to establish new useful contacts:	0	0	4	9	9
5. Identification of good practices and lessons learned:	0	1	2	15	5

Would you be able to **use the knowledge obtained in your work** and/or to **pass it on to other specialists** within your country/constituency?

Yes 20
No 0
Maybe 1

Please turn over>>>>>>>>

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE DIFFERENT SESSIONS IN TERMS OF:

<i>Please rate on scale: 1 (poor), 2 (below average), 3 (good), 4 (very good), 5 (excellent):</i>	1	2	3	4	5
Clarity of presentations:					
Special Session –UNDP HRBA to Water Governance programme (<i>Wed 9:00-13:00</i>)	0	0	5	12	6
Session 1 – Implementation of the Protocol on Water and Health (<i>Wed 15:30-Thu 11:00</i>)	0	0	5	11	7
Session 2 – Economic and financial issues related to the implementation of the Protocol on Water and Health (<i>Thu 12:00-15:30</i>)	0	1	4	12	3
Session 3 – Coordination mechanisms on water and health and public participation (<i>Thu 16:00- Fri 11:00</i>)	0	0	4	14	5
Quality of written material circulated by the organizers:					
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Session 2 – Economic and financial issues related to the implementation of the Protocol on Water and Health (<i>Thu 12:00-15:30</i>)	0	0	8	10	4
Session 3 – Coordination mechanisms on water and health and public participation (<i>Thu 16:00- Fri 11:00</i>)	0	0	5	10	7
Possibility and quality of interaction (discussions, group work, etc.)					
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Overall organizational arrangements before and during the event	0	0	2	9	5

Should the **duration of the workshop** rather be:

Expanded 4

About the same 17

Reduced 1

What were the three most useful things that you learned at the event (the answers are ranked in their order of frequency):

1. deeper understanding of priorities of EECCA countries for Protocol on Water and Health (PWH)
2. Ad Hoc Project Financial Mechanism
3. financial mechanisms for protocol's implementation
4. countries situations, best practices
5. Hungarian experience in inter departmental cooperation for PWH
6. new contacts, information exchange
7. knowledge, skills, good examples
8. difficult situation regarding implementation of AarhusConvention in EECCA countries
9. necessity of political support in implementation of PWH
10. human rights approach



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11. updated profile on development in various countries
12. close relationship between legal and economical instruments
13. close relationship between water law and policy
14. importance of the relationship between water management and public health
15. cooperation on transboundary waters
16. promotion of public awareness, education, training, research, development and information in accordance with article 9 of the Protocol
17. protocol implementation in Romania
18. approaches to the creation of Water Safety Plan
19. establishment of the water and health targets
20. information concerning financing of water sector
21. samples of integrated water management

Give three suggestions on how the next workshops under the project Capacity for Water Cooperation/ Community of Practice Meeting could be improved:

1. to have stronger relations between the workshop's discussions and questionnaires disseminated prior to the workshop
2. introduce brainstorming discussions with representatives from local authorities based on case studies from local level
3. introduce visual presentation of best practices recorded as short films or other documentary materials type
4. include special presentation and field trip to learn more about the local situation
5. make sure that the presentations delivered by participants are well structured and focused on the topic of the workshop
6. try to include participation of western countries
7. demonstrate presentations from eastern/western countries
8. get involved different stockholders dealing with water and health
9. address issues related to training and public participation
10. clearly explain the situation regarding Water Policy in different countries
11. create a general report about the rivers' situations
12. demonstrate conditions in the countries where the Protocol was ratified
13. present the workshop materials on the website
14. prepare and announce the questions for discussion at least 10 days prior to the workshop
15. not to split into too many working groups
16. provide more information about water-related diseases
17. have additional the workshop on this subject
18. to have workshops no longer than 2 days long
19. take a Hungarian presentation as a sample for further presentations

On which specific topic(s) relevant to your area of work would you like any future training and capacity-building event?

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1. transboundary cooperation
 2. methodologies implementation
 3. development of national strategies
 4. database creation and its management
 5. inter sector cooperation
 6. awareness and info companies
 7. public participation al country level
 8. compliance procedure – training
 9. water and education
 10. strengthening the role of women in water management
 11. water and plants
 12. water and food
 13. the work condition of rural and urban population
 14. training on the Cost-Benefit Analysis on the river basin
 15. the situation and the perspectives of the monitoring system development in the EU countries
 16. approaches in the implementation of the Protocol
 17. problems linked with ratification of the Protocol
 18. interpretation of monitoring data of the surface water subjects
 19. practise of EU countries on the realisation of EU Water Directive
 20. support of national dialog regarding the water conditions
 21. practise on basin water management
 22. public involvement in preparation and implementation of the Protocol

Other comments/suggestions

1. resume of the meeting with conclusions defined ASAP after meetings with relevant comments, preconisation and follow up and reporting on the achievements between meetings on the web-site
2. less papers, less plastics small router bottles
3. invite to the following meetings participants who attended this workshop and ask them prepare the content of the following meeting (based on the knowledge they gained)
4. collect the information from the countries which applied/implementedthe basin water management in order to show the positive and negative effects
5. publish a guidance “Protocol on Water and Health: Advantages, disadvantages and recommendations”
6. to convene the following workshop in Kazakhstan