

Concept and roadmap of a publication to be produced for the 5th session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on Water and Health

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Concept

- To inspire additional countries to improve the equity of access to water and sanitation.
- To contribute to the international effort to meeting targets 6.1 and 6.2 of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- By developing a short volume that consolidates the lessons learned and impact of the work carried out in countries of the pan-European region under the Protocol and Water and Health in the area of Equitable Access to Water and Sanitation since 2010.

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| Planning and implementing actions to achieve equitable access <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Planning methodology- Examples of actions taken in countries- Recommendations for developing an Equitable Access Action Plan | 8 |
| Financing actions to achieve equitable access to water and sanitation <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Issues around financing equitable access to water and sanitation- Examples of financing approaches in countries- Recommendations for financing equitable access to water and sanitation | 8 |
| Annex: Country profiles (2 pages per country, 10 countries) | 20 |

| Chapter | Information sources |
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| Equitable access to water and sanitation, the Protocol on water and Health, the Human Rights to Water and Sanitation and the SDGs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No one left behind: Good practices to ensure equitable access to water and sanitation in the pan-European region (2012)</i> |
| Assessing equitable access to water and sanitation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Equitable Access Score-card: Supporting policy processes to achieve the human right to water and sanitation (2013)</i> • Presentations and discussions at Expert Meetings • Country contributions to be developed by expert group members |
| Planning and implementing actions to achieve equitable action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Guidance Note on the Development of Action Plans to Ensure Equitable Access to Water and Sanitation (2016)</i> • Presentations and discussions at Expert Meetings • Country contributions to be developed by expert group members |
| Financing actions to achieve equitable access to water and sanitation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 Expert Meeting on Financing Equitable Access to Water and Sanitation • Presentations and discussions at previous expert meetings • Country contributions to be developed by expert group members |
| Annex: Country profiles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country contributions to be developed by expert group members |

Roadmap

| Discussion on the general approach and structure at 4 th Expert Meeting | 13-14 September 2017 |
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| Distribution of revised template for country contributions by the Secretariat | By 22 September 2017 |
| Presentation at the 10 th meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health of the publication's planned content and roadmap | 15-16 November 2017 |
| Preparation of first draft of country contributions by expert group members | By end January 2018 |
| 5 th Meeting of the Expert Group, focused on Financing | June 2018 |
| First draft of publication (for discussion at 11 th meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health in November 2018) | Early October 2018 |
| Final draft of publication for review at Working Group on Water and Health | July 2019 |
| Publication for adoption at the 5 th session of the Meeting of the Parties | November 2019 |

Template for country contributions

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- **Section 1. Motivation and self-assessment methodology**
- *Target length: 1/2 page*
- This section will briefly describe the reason why the country/region/city decided to decided to carry out a self assessment.
- It will also describe the self-assessment methodology, including stakeholders involved, meetings organised, research efforts undertaken, etc.

- **Section 2. Key findings from the self-assessment**
- *Target length: 1 page*
- This section will provide a brief overview of the findings of the self-assessment exercise.
- It will highlight 3-5 examples of findings that are somehow remarkable (because of their importance, because they were unexpected or for other reasons).

- **Section 3. Lessons learned in carrying out the self-assessment and recommendations for other countries**
- *Target length: 1 page*
- This section will highlight 2-3 lessons learned in carrying out the self assessment.
- It will also identify 2-3 recommendations for other countries/regions/cities that may be considering to carry out a self-assessment

- **Section 4. Development of an action plan to promote equitable access to water and sanitation**
- *Target length: 1-2 pages*
- This section will indicate whether the country/region/city has developed an action plan to promote equitable access to water and sanitation.
- If an action plan has not been developed, the section will briefly indicate whether there are currently any discussions to develop an action plan, the potential benefits of developing an action plan, and the existing barriers to the development of an action plan.
- If an action plan has been developed, the section will briefly describe the methodology used to develop the action plan (including the criteria used to identify key actions), and list the actions included in the action plan. It will also highlight 2-3 lessons learned in developing the action plan and identify 2-3 recommendations for other countries/regions/cities that may be considering to develop an action plan.

- **Section 5. Examples of actions taken to promote equitable access to water and sanitation**
- *Target length: 1-2 pages*
- This section will list and briefly describe 3-5 actions taken to promote equitable access to water and sanitation since the self-assessment was carried out.
- It will also highlight 2-3 lessons learned in identifying, selecting and implementing actions and identify 2-3 recommendations for other countries/regions/cities considering to adopt actions to promote equitable access to water and sanitation.

- **Section 6. Financing equitable access to water and sanitation**
- *Target length: 2 pages*
- This section will briefly indicate whether there are any estimates of the cost of past or planned actions to promote equitable access to water and sanitation, and if so it will report them.
- This section will briefly indicate how past efforts to promote equitable access to water and sanitation have been financed in the country/region/city.
- This section will briefly indicate whether there have been any discussions on how planned actions to promote equitable access to water and sanitation will be financed, and if so report them.
- This section will briefly identify and discuss any other relevant issues regarding the financing of equitable access to water and sanitation in the country/region/city.