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INTRODUCTION AND FURTHER SUPPORT OF WATER ACCOUNTS IN EU EASTERN PARTNER COUNTRIES

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GOALS

Improved environmental, climate and socio-economic resilience, and human health

Based on the **European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) East Regional Action Programme 2020** (15 Dec 2020) and built on **EUWI+** and on **SEIS II** in 2 Components:

- 1. Strengthen governance and capacity for Integrated Water Resources Management** (Water Framework Directive implementation and National Policy Dialogues): more sustainable water uses
- 2. Extend the environmental database** for knowledge-based decision-making and the access to **open data**

Extend the scope to other key aspects: economic soundness, Covid-19, financing (incl. Team Europe Initiative)

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EASTERN PARTNER COUNTRIES

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Azerbaijan

Georgia

Moldova

Ukraine



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PROGRAMME SETUP

DG NEAR (PROGRAMME MANAGER)

PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTING TEAM

ACTION GROUP

UBA

Water monitoring & laboratory training
Water accounting
Land & agricultural data
Air & waste data
International data sharing

OiEau

River basin mgmt planning
Water allocation
Public involvement
Water accounting
Open data
Communication & Visibility

ADA

*Co-financing of the Action
Sub-contracting of OiEau
National ProgRep in MD
Facilitate activities in MD*

OECD

Water economy
Alignment with EU norms
Mobilise finance
National Policy Dialogues

UNECE

Water & Health
Water governance
National Policy Dialogues
Transboundary water cooperation
International data sharing & reporting

National Focal Points
EU Commission
EU Delegations EEAS
Other observers

Contract with EU Member State agencies (MPCA)

Contracts with international organisations

5 National Programme Representatives

2 sub-regional Administrative Assistants and Programme office for the Caucasus

BENEFICIARIES

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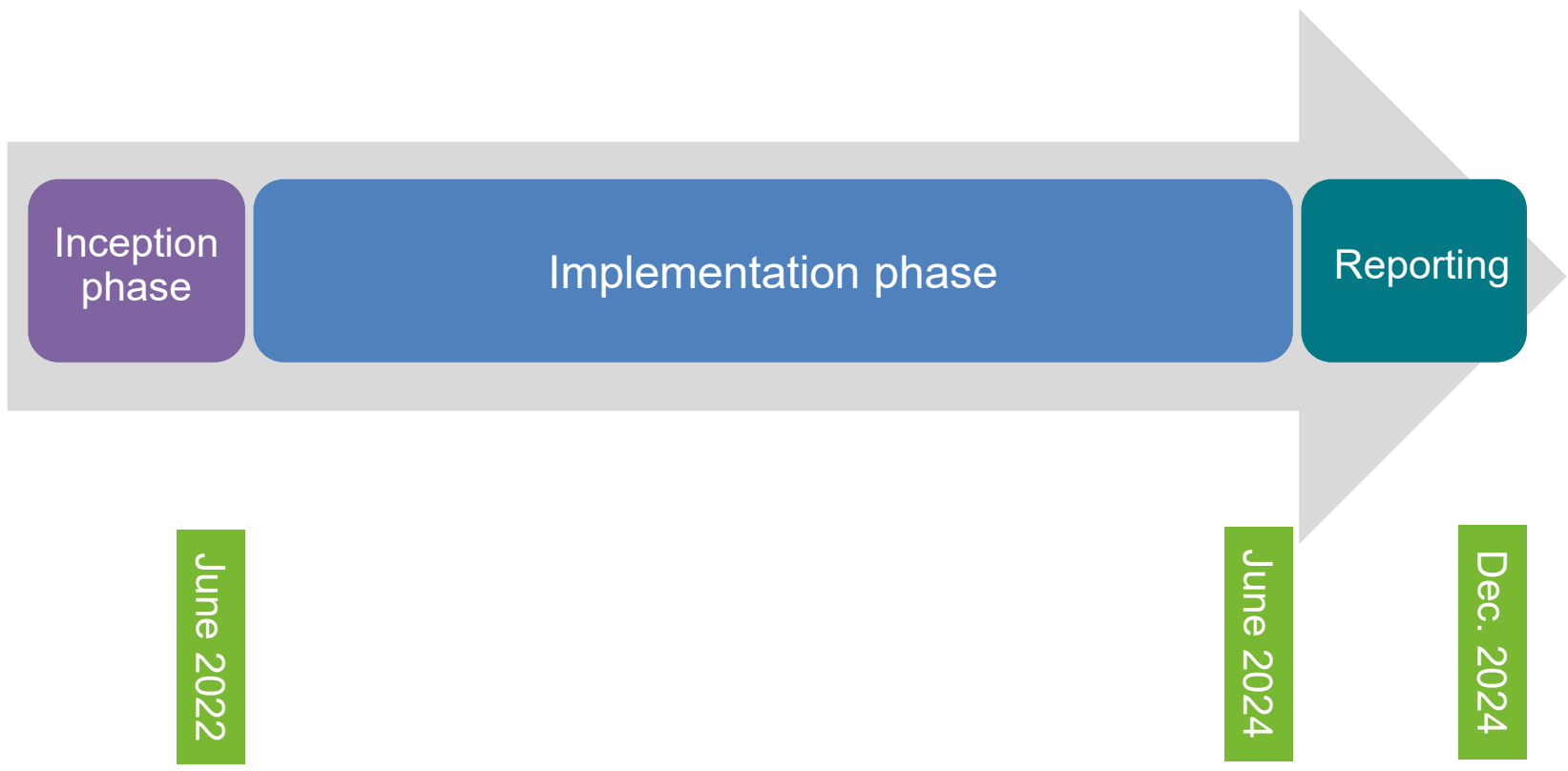




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TIMELINE



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COMPONENT 2: ENVIRONMENTAL STATISTICS AND OPEN DATA

Specific objective

The use of sound environmental statistics by the partner countries is extended and improved, and better availability of policy-relevant data to decision-makers and citizens ensured.

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OUTPUT 2.1: WATER ACCOUNTS ARE EXTENDED

Specific Objective

Extend Water Accounts in the Eastern Partner Countries

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OUTPUT 2.1: WATER ACCOUNTS ARE EXTENDED

Starting point:

	Armenia	Azerbaijan	Belarus	Georgia	Moldova	Ukraine
SEEA Central framework						
Natural resource accounts						
2.3. Water stock accounts	Future			Future		
2.3.1. Physical asset accounts for water resources		Project	Regular		Project	
Physical and hybrid flow accounts						
2.7. Air emission accounts	Future	Future	Future	Project	Project	Regular
2.8. Water emission accounts	Regular	Future				
2.9. Water flow accounts	Regular	Future		Future	Project	
2.9.1. Physical supply and use tablets for water	Regular	Project	Regular	Project	Project	
2.9.2. Monetary supply and use tablets for water	Regular	Future				

Source: SEIS II East project in 2016-2020 implemented by the EEA

<https://eni-seis.eionet.europa.eu/east/areas-of-work/seea-progress>

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OUTPUT 2.1: WATER ACCOUNTS ARE EXTENDED

Activities

2.1.1 Inception phase activities

- Status assessment

2.1.2 Extending the number of countries with functional water accounting systems

- institution co-operation, data sources

2.1.3 Maintaining and using existing water accounting systems, and creating new ones

- Gap filling, result communication, river basin scale

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INTERMEDIATE FINDINGS

Building a **common understanding** of **terminology** between the institutions involved

The **experts' positive view** of water accounting goes hand in hand with their concerns on the **demand to align national data sets**

Cross-border cooperation for **knowledge exchange**

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