



EU4ENVIRONMENT WATER & DATA SECOND REGIONAL ACTION GROUP MEETING

28 June 2023, Vienna, Austria

Background

The EU4Environment – Water Resources and Environmental Data programme aims at improving people’s wellbeing in EU’s Eastern Partner Countries and enabling their green transformation in line with the European Green Deal and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The programme’s activities are clustered around two specific objectives:

- 1) support a more sustainable use of water resources and
- 2) improve the use of sound environmental data and their availability for policy makers and citizens.

The programme is implemented by five Partner organisations: Environment Agency Austria (UBA), Austrian Development Agency (ADA), International Office for Water (OiEau) (France), Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).

The programme is funded by the European Union and co-funded by the Austrian Development Cooperation and the French Artois-Picardie Water Agency.

The implementation period is 2021-2024.

Expected outputs and outcomes for the meetings

- Review of progress in implementation since the end of the Inception Phase in June 2022.
- Feedback from senior EaP stakeholders on implementation to date and strategic advice towards planning the next implementation phase of the EU4Environment Water & Data Programme.

Participants

The meetings will gather representatives including from national governments of the EaP countries, the European Commission, EU Member States, representatives from International Finance Institutions, civil society representatives, and implementing partners of the EU4Environment Water & Data Programme.

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DAY 1: 28 JUNE

8:30 – 13:00 EU4Environment Water & Data Second Regional Action Group Meeting

8:30-9:00	Registration and welcome coffee	
9:00-9:15	Opening Remarks	<i>DG NEAR and UBA</i>
9:15-10:00	Component 1: Water Resources Management Highlights of implementation and plans for the last year of implementation	<i>Implementing Partners.</i>
10:00-10:30	Component 2: Environmental Statistics and Open Data Highlights of implementation and plans for the last year of implementation	<i>Implementing Partners.</i>
10:30-10:45	Implementation of programme Communication and Visibility activities	<i>Implementing Partners.</i>
10:45-11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15-12:15	Feedback from EaP Country Delegations and Civil Society on implementation experience to date and current national status and priorities with relevance to EU4Environment Water and Data Programme	<i>EaP country National Focal Points and representatives from Civil Society.</i>
12:15-12:45	Synergies on implementation with EU-funded Projects	<i>Interventions including from: EU4Environment Green Economy, interventions from donors, IFIs, and EU Member States active in EaP countries</i>
12:45-13:00	Conclusions and Next Steps	<i>DG NEAR and UBA</i>