



## Consultative meeting on the Integrated Management of the extended Drin River Basin

24 November, 2008  
Tirana, Albania

### Preliminary Agenda

Chairs, Co-chairs: Representatives of the competent Ministries of the riparian Countries  
Rapporteur: *Mr. Michael Scoullos, Chairman, GWP-Med*

#### **Session I: Welcome and Introduction**

- 09.00 Welcome Notes  
- *Albanian Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Water Administration*  
- *Swedish Environmental Protection Agency (tbc)*
- 09.15 The underlying framework: *Petersberg Phase II / Athens Declaration Process, UNECE Water Convention, IWRM component of the GEF Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean – Purpose of the meeting*  
*Mr. Bo Libert, Regional Adviser on Environment, UNECE*  
*Mr. Michael Scoullos, Chairman, GWP-Med*

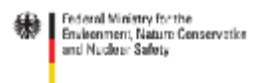
#### **Session II: Current Status of Water Resources Management in the extended Drin River Basin**

(each presentation will be followed by a short discussion – interventions by participants)

- 09.30 Water Resources Management in the Drini sub-basin - Identifying and Addressing Challenges  
- *Mr. Sajmir Hoxha, Director for Nature Protection Policy, Albanian Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Water Administration*
- 10.00 Water Resources Management in the Ohrid - Black Drin sub-basin - Identifying and Addressing Challenges  
- *Mr. Dejan Panovski, State Secretary - Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning, FYR Macedonia*
- 10.30 Coffee Break
- 10.50 Water Resources Management in the Shkoder – Buna/Bojana sub-basin - Identifying and Addressing Challenges  
- *Ms. Zdenka Ivanovic, Senior Adviser, Montenegrin Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management*
- 11.20 Discussion: Identifying needs at the national and transboundary levels and options for addressing them
- 12.30 Lunch

#### **Session III: Opportunities for the way forward at the extended Drin River Basin level and synergies with on going and planned projects supported by donors and international organisations**

- 13.30 GEF “Lake Shkoder Integrated Ecosystem Management” Project  
*Mr. Agim Shimaj – National Project Coordinator, Albania*



- 13.45 GEF “Integrated Ecosystem Management in the Prespa Lakes Basin of Albania, FYR-Macedonia and Greece” Project  
*Mr. Alvin Lopez, International Transboundary Advisor – Prespa Project (tbc)*
- 14.00 Activities of the UNECE Water Convention that can support the development of cooperation in the Drin River Basin  
*Mr. Bo Libert, Regional Adviser on Environment, UNECE*
- 14.15 UNESCO – BRESCE’s foreseen supported activities in the Drin River Basin  
*Mr. Phillip Pypaert, UNESCO – BRESCE (tbc)*
- 14.30 Findings of the Status Paper on Transboundary Water Resources Management in the extended Drin River Basin.  
Synthesis - The way forward  
*Mr. Michael Scoullos, Chairman, GWP-Med*
- 14.45 Interventions by participants  
Discussion: Identifying possible synergies and ways of coordination for promoting transboundary cooperation for the integrated management of the Drin River Basin
- 17.00 Conclusions / End of Meeting