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SESSION 2

National impacts and deliverables of the ENI SEIS II East project

Armenia



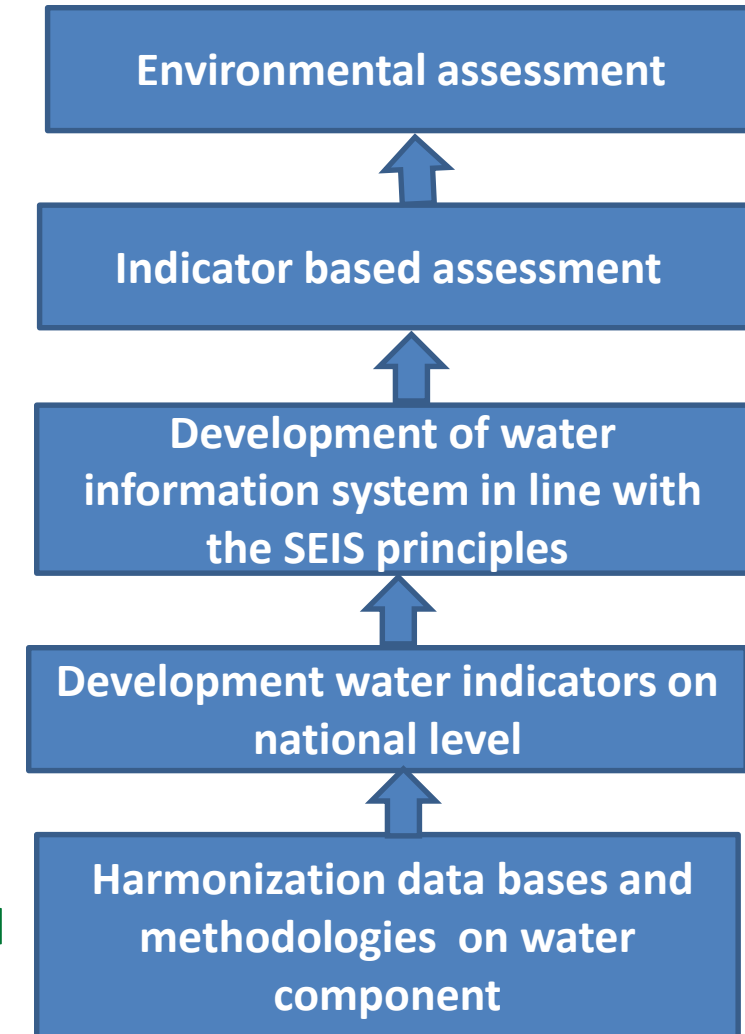
1. Progress towards the expected results (1/2)

□ 2018- Implementation SEIS workplan

Water

- Step-by step implementation plan of an Ecoportal (water component) was developed,
- The modules of Ecoportal is expected to be developed in the coming months.
- Water indicators (**C1-C5, C10, C11**) on national level are being developed and will be submitted in December 2018.
- National capacity building
 - The national experts on water component were appointed
 - Trainings:
 - Thematic workshop on the implementation of the water component 6-7 December, 2017, Armenia
 - Hands-on training for the implementation of the water component of the ENI SEIS II East project, 26 Feb-2 March, Armenia
- National dialogue and communication with other EU/regional/international partner organisations (USAID and EU WI+)

EXPECTATION



1. Progress towards the expected results (2/2)

Biodiversity

➤ Development National Indicators on protected areas
(D1- Protected Areas of the UNECE Environmental Indicators)

➤ Capacity building in national experts on reporting under Resolution N. 8(2012) of the Bern Convention

- 1st Workshop on reporting under Resolution N. 8(2012) of the Bern Convention, 17-18 Copenhagen
- Second Workshop on reporting under Resolution N. 8(2012) of the Bern Convention, 8-9 November, 2018, Paris

Air quality

Technical assistance related to implementation of EU Air Quality Directives and the management of air quality data and information
regional workshop on air quality (Copenhagen, 19-21 September 2018)



2. SEIS to support a regular assessment process (1/3)

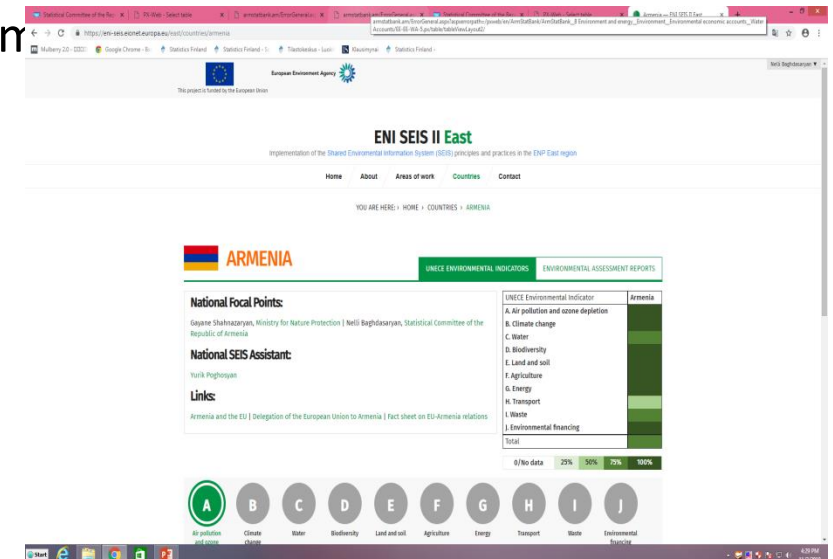
SEIS supports regular production of a regional set of environmental indicators and assessments on the best EU and EEA practices for preparing regular state of environment reports

1. Capacity building in participating countries by sharing knowledge environmental assessments on the basis of EEA country example (trainings and workshops)
2. Data infrastructure development
3. Methodological support
4. Bridging to the UNECE/WGEMA indicators and indicator based assessment
5. Financial resources

As a result:

Armenia has been making a significant progress in SEIS establishment and implementation of SEIS principles and the three SEIS pillars:

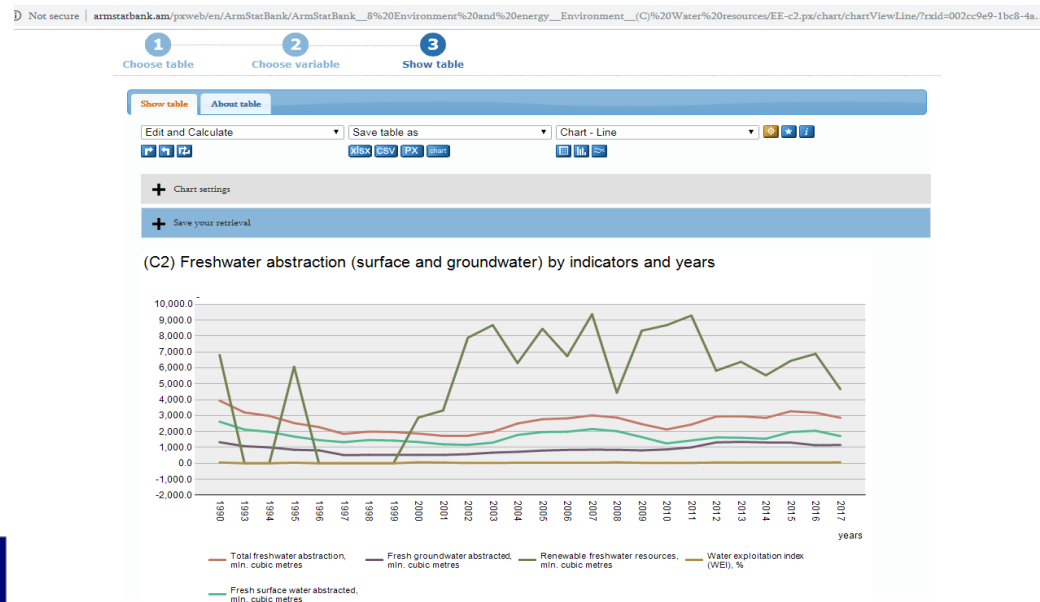
Content, Infrastructure and Cooperation



2. SEIS to support a regular assessment process (2/3)

- Armenia has achieved progress in making UNECE environmental indicators available and accessible
- 42 out of 49 UNECE environmental indicators are available as per 2018
- One common national platform established for easier accessibility to environmental information
- A dedicated section on SDGs indicators is established on the website of the Statistical Committee

UNECE Environmental Indicators published on statistical webpage www.armstat.am



Sustainable Development Goals published on statistical webpage www.armstat.am



2. SEIS to support a regular assessment process (3/3)

STATUS OF PRODUCTION AND SHARING OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS

23 assessed UNECE environmental indicators of Armenia (2018):

Indicators	Level of reporting	Missing indicators
A. Air pollution and ozone depletion	100%	
B. Climate change	100%	
C. Water level of reporting	75%	C9. Drinking water quality C12. Nutrients in coastal seawaters and C13. Concentrations of pollutants in coastal seawater and sediments (except nutrients) are not relevant for Armenia
D. Biodiversity	100%	
E. Land and soil	100%	
F. Agriculture	100%	
G. Energy	100%	
H. Transport	50%	H3. Composition of road motor vehicle fleet by fuel type H4. Age of road motor vehicle fleet
I. Waste	75%	I3. Waste reuse and recycling
J. Environmental financing	100%	



3. Sustainability and connectivity (1/2)

Development of inter-institutional dialogue for sustainable inter-institutional cooperation:

□Based on the Letter of Intent signed (30.08.2017) between the Ministry of Nature Protection, the National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia and the European Environment Agency by Order of the Minister of Nature Protection of the Republic of Armenia No. 122-A of May 6, 2018:

-An inter-sectorial Committee was created to support the implementation of the Shared Environmental Information System in Armenia, and the goals, objectives, procedures of the Commission, as well as the powers of the chairman and members of the commission were established;

- The working group of inter-sectorial Committee was approved, which includes representatives of the Ministries of Nature Protection, Health, Transport, Communications and Information Technologies, Territorial Development, Education and Science, Economic Development and Investments, Emergencies, the National Statistical Service and Academic Institutions;

-Improving data exchange practices and the implementation of SEIS principles based on the inter-institutional protocols with the hydro-meteorological service (the Ministry of Emergency Situations), with the tax inspectorate, with REC Caucasus, Aarhus centers, academic institutions, the Council for Sustainable Development / SDG /, etc.

-Regular official and working meetings with contact persons of relevant services, their involvement in discussions on ensuring the requirements of users of eco-information and their promotion in various reports.



3. Sustainability and connectivity (2/2)

☐ EU Water Initiative plus project (2016-2020)

Main activities

Establish link with SEIS activities related WIS development

☐ Improved environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus (January 2018-December 2021)

Main activities

- Strengthened capacities of national environmental authorities and statistical agencies to collect and produce required data and application of environmental indicators in accordance with the Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) principles and practices.
- EA2: Improved accessibility and use of regularly updated and high quality environmental indicators, within the framework of SEIS, to respond to international indicator-based reporting obligations, including monitoring progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals.



3. Priorities in 2019

- ❑ Completing water information portal and publish water indicators- *Improved production and use of the set of regionally agreed environmental indicators for efficient policy-making.*
- ❑ Extending list of publishing Environmental Indicators,
- ❑ *National training and expert assistance on SOER production*
- ❑ Produce State of Environment report and formalize regular assessment - *Improved production and use of the set of regionally agreed environmental indicators for efficient policy-making.*
- ❑ *Pilot on extending CORINE Land Cover (CLC) methodology to capital areas of the partner countries*
- ❑ Expanding the application of official environmental indicators in various reports: a report on climate change, a report on desertification, reporting on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Green Growth In Armenia,
- ❑ To raise awareness and understanding of the ENI-SEIS II project goals and objectives, translate project document into national language.





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