Better integration of Drinking Water Consideration into River Basin Management Planning (in short : activity sub-task group DWD&GWD)

44th CIS-GROUNDWATER WORKING GROUP MEETING 10-11 October 2023 in Madrid



Relaunch of sub-task group DWD&GWD

Activity leading: SI & BE-WL

Expressions of interest to contribute to the activity:

- BE-VL (VMM)
- Croatia (VODA)
- Denmark (GEUS, MST)
- Deutschland (UBA)
- Luxembuourg (PSL Water)
- Nederland (RWS, RIVM)
- Sweden (SGU)

Anyone else?

Past activities of sub-task group DWD&GWD

Questionnaire with summarising report in 2018

- Common understanding of Drinking Water Protected Areas (DWPA) and Safeguard Zones (SZ)
- What types of measures are applied?
- Stakeholder analysis

Joint Workshop with DW-EG in Helsinki 16th October 2019

- Clarify responsibilities between stakeholders, operators, and in particular health versus environmental responsibilities;
- Develop tools to share and use monitoring data and to cooperate on the identification of new hazards (DW Watch List, risk-based approach of recast DWD)
- Establish closer cooperation between both groups possibly within the CIS structure.

Sub-task group DWD&GWD and current 2022-2024 Mandate

Main tasks

- Task 4. Policy integration between groundwater management and drinking water
- Task 5. ... Exchanging information on other issues relevant to groundwater management: ... DWD recast (Art.8, coordination of watch lists)

Main deliverables and timeline

• D4. Report on information exchange on DWD Recast Art.8, including sharing experiences on 'safeguard zones delineation' and coordination of watch lists.

Art.8: risk assessment at the level of the **catchment area** of the abstraction point

Last DW-EG – WG-GW common activity: online meeting late 2021 (SI Presidency)

- Further clarifications definitions safeguard zones, drinking water protected areas (WFD) and catchment areas (DWD)
 - → Exchanges of experience with WG GW
- Consideration of pollutants and indicators of pollution listed in Annexes I & II of GWD (2006/118/EC) during the implementation of Art.8 DWD
 - → Presentation results the task group GW (with focus on nrM) at DW EG
 - → Exchanges of experiences WG GW & DW-EG
- Approach Watch List Art 13 (7) DWD
 - → Presentation of the GWWL (approach/process) during DW EG
- Methods of analysis PFAS (Total/Sum)
 - → Exchanges of experiences WG GW & DW EG
 - → Keeping GWD and DWD aligned

Next steps?

Re-establish contact with DW-EG for an update on cooperation priorities (DW-EG contact point :

Setup new questionnaire on:

- Further clarifications of definitions of Safeguard Zones, Drinking Water Protection Area considering the "new concept" of Catchment Areas
- MS experience on preparing the implementation of DWD article 8
- Anything else?

In practice:

 First online sub-task group meeting to relaunch effectively the activity and prepare the questionnaire (just need to find a date!)