High-level event on climate change and transboundary cooperation in the Dniester River Basin

AGENDA

Hotel Lybid, Kyiv, Ukraine
23 April 2015

09:30 -12:30 High-level event on climate change and transboundary cooperation in the Dniester river basin (moderator Bo Libert, UNECE)

09:30-10:15 Opening remarks:
- Serhiy Kurykin, Deputy Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine (10 min)
- Lazar Chirica, Deputy Minister of Environment of the Republic of Moldova (10 min)
- Yurdakul Yigitguden, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE (5 min)
- Bo Libert, Regional Adviser on Environment, UNECE (5 min)
- Ambassador Rade Bulatovic, Serbian Chairmanship of the OSCE (5 min)
- Torsten Woellert, Energy and Environment Team Leader of the European Commission’s Support Group for Ukraine (5 min)
- Johannes Aigner, Deputy Head of Mission, Austrian Embassy in Ukraine (5 min)

10:15-10:50 Climate Change and Security in the Dniester River Basin with launch of the Strategic Framework for Adaptation to Climate Change
- Regional Context and “Climate Change and Security in Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus” Project, Christine Kitzler, Project Coordinator, OSCE (3 min)
- Highlights from the “Climate Change and Security in the Dniester River Basin” Project, Sonja Koeppel, Environmental Affairs Officer, UNECE (5 min)
- Presentation of the Strategic Framework, Nickolai Denisov, Senior Project Consultant (7 min)
- Intervention from the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine and the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Moldova and endorsement of the Strategic Framework (10 min)
- Jeff Erlich, Senior Project Officer, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine (5 min)
- Discussion (5 min)
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| 10:50 - 11:20   | Cooperation in the Dniester river basin - towards the entry into force of the Dniester Treaty  
|                 | - History of the Dniester Treaty, Bo Libert, UNECE (5 min)  
|                 | - Importance of the Treaty for the Republic of Moldova, Lazar Chirica, Deputy Minister of Environment of the Republic of Moldova (5-7 min)  
|                 | - Importance of the Treaty for Ukraine, Serhiy Kurykin, Deputy Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine (5-7 min)  
|                 | - Discussion (10-15 min)                                                |
| 11:20 - 11:50   | River Basin Management Planning according to the EU Water Framework Directive including from the climate change perspective  
|                 | - River Basin Management Plan for the Moldovan part of the Dniester Basin, Andrei Ursache, Head of Department, Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Moldova (8 min)  
|                 | - River basin management planning in Ukraine, Olga Lysiuk, Head of Water Department, State Agency of Water Resources (7 min)  
|                 | - Discussion (15 min)                                                   |
| 11:50 - 12:00   | Concluding Remarks  
|                 | - Yurdakul Yigitguden, OSCE  
|                 | - Bo Libert, UNECE                                                      |
| 12:00 - 12:30   | Coffee-break                                                           |