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**MINUTES
of the Start-up Conference in Republic of Moldova (I part)
and Stakeholders Meeting/ Project Management Meeting (II part)
under the project EAST AVERT
Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, 07.04.2014**

The Start-up Conference (I part) was organized by Agency „Apele Moldovei” with the participation of the guests of honor, the Minister of Environment, Mr. Gheorghe Salaru and Minister Delegate of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Department of Waters, Forests and Fisheries, Mrs Adriana Doina Pana, from its own financial resources involving local media. Guests of honor were attending a Conference for the media and they held a bilateral meeting. Workshop for Stakeholders/Project Management Meeting also was organized by Project Partner 5 (Agency „Apele Moldovei”) in cooperation with the Lead Partner of the EAST AVERT Project, took place in Chisinau, Republic of Moldova on 7 of April, 2014.

The main objectives of the meeting were:

1. EAST AVERT general presentation and experience in hazard and risk mapping at the Danube Basin level.
2. Moldavian point of view and the needed work for increasing the security of the dam
3. Discussion of Bilateral data needs for EAST AVERT implementation and future agreement for data exchange.
4. Planning Common data collection in modernized Dispatch Centers. Discussions about Agreement of data exchange between Romania-Republic of Moldova.

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5. Giving the Stakeholders' questionnaire for investigating the expectation for HIS, EWS and hazard and risk maps.
6. Discussion about stakeholders' needs and planning project products customized to their needs.
7. Presentation of Database and Forecast Model for designing the forecasting, the information and the early warning systems.
8. Implementation of modern hydrological models in Ukraine.
9. Press Conference about project implementation and stakeholders' needs linked by water and flood management.

The meeting was attended by representatives of all project partners, stakeholders from Republic of Moldova. The list of the participants, as well as the agenda of workshop and the presentation are attached.

1. Opening speech of the conference by the Minister of Environment, Mr. Gheorghe Salaru and Minister Delegate of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Department of Waters, Forests and Fisheries, Mrs Adriana Doina Pana.
2. The meeting started with the presentation made by the project Manager – Mrs. M. J. Adler regarding experience in hazard and risk mapping at the Danube Basin level.
3. Hazard and Risk Maps Atlas were distributed to participants in the workshop for stakeholders.
4. It was presented the Flood Warning System is planned for stakeholders' information, for designing the geodatabase for flood hazard and risk mapping and flood forecasting.
5. The meeting started with the presentation made by the project Manager – Mrs. M. J. Adler regarding experience in hazard and risk mapping at the Danube Basin level.
6. It was discussed about the Database and Forecast Model for designing the forecasting, the information and the early warning systems, conditions about the way will be the data collected – the final activity report will be provided by the Working Groups – Data and FEWS coordinators, **till the 18th of April 2014.**
7. Discussions about the Agreement of data exchange. The level of assignment, the use of data collected in other projects and the needs of Republic of



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Moldova necessary to be included in this agreement – the final text proposal for the agreement between LP, PP2 and PP5, to be adopted at the Ministries level, for data collection in the border area and data exchange will be provided **till the 25th of April 2014**. Ukrainian Partners PP6, PP7 and Pp8 will clarify conditions for data collection and data exchange at the border areas with Romania and Republic of Moldavia and will provide an Information Note to LP, planning the next actions at the same data.

8. Discussions about the Agreement of data exchange between the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change – Department for Waters, Forests and Fisheries of Romania and the Ministry of Environment of Republic of Moldavia. The inventory of data was finalized.
9. Two Questionnaires for stakeholder’s investigation were prepared by LP and were disseminated to stakeholders’ meeting participants; these were sent by PP5 and PP6 and PP7 to the target groups and the final beneficiaries. PP5, PP6 and PP8 will present the list of all stakeholders (target groups) to LP no later as mid-May. LP will finalize the stakeholders’ database of the project, till end of May.
10. The examination of Guide for harmonization methodology for hazard and risk mapping used in the Danube Floodrisk for the Danube Basin, for further adaptation to the stakeholders’ needs of the three countries. The technical terms and definitions will be used during the project implementation was prepared by LP and discussed during the stakeholders’ meeting. The modifications will be prepared and will be send to LP for Harmonization Guide will be adopted during the next **Start-up Conference, Stakeholders’ Meeting in Ukraine and the 4th Management Meeting – 19-20 of June, 2014**, to be further prepared for printing and dissemination to the technical staff and flood management responsables.

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