

PROJECT:

“LIVING NERETVA. TOWARDS EU - STANDARDS IN THE NERETVA RIVER BASIN (BiH)”

Living Neretva- Environmental Flow Working Group (WFD-WG1)

Final Programme: WORKSHOP 1

Day 1: 8th of April 2008

PART I: Environmental Flow (EF)

- Work plan (working packages) for the project (E)
- The need to assess EF in rivers: the review of impacts of dams and water use (E)
- EF in the context of WFD and River basin management plan (E)
- Introduction of EF – definition, methods, approaches (E)
- GEP method - advantages, disadvantages and gaps (E)
- General additional criteria to assess EF (H,B,C,E)
- EF in the context of BiH Water Laws (H,B,C,E, LN, WWF)
- Info about the context of relevant sub-laws on EF as required by BiH Water Laws (art.62 Water Law FBiH, art. 65 Water Law RS) (H,B,C,E)

PART II: EF assessment for River Trebizat

- Why to assess EF in Trebizat river? (general info about the river, incl. information about proposed project on water use) (LN,H,B,C,E, WWF)
- The procedure for EF evaluation in Trebizat river (E)
- Data collected for Trebizat river – presentations of H,B,C
- Discussion on existing data (H,B,C,E)
- Identify existing and planned out of stream uses, pressures and impacts (H,B,C,E)
- Identify and assess the values of river and riparian ecosystem (H,B,C,E)
- Identify the river values that are to be preserved (H,B,C,E)
- Discussion on ecological objectives to achieve with EF (H,B,C,E)
- Discussion on critical parameters for ecological value of the river (H,B,C,E)
- Pre-Selection of data required - presentations of H,B,C
- Selection of data required (H,B,C,E)
- Pre-selection of sampling points (H,B,C,E)
- Plan for fieldtrip to river Trebizat (H,B,C,WWF,LN)

Day 2 : 9th of April 2008

PART I: Fieldtrip to river Trebizat

- Meet local experts who know the Trebizat river
- Selection of sampling sections and points

PART II: Final discussion and conclusions (H,B,C,WWF,LN,E)

- Discussion about the field visit on Trebizat river
- Used methods for additional sampling
- Recommendations for data analysis
- Recommendations for report writing and EF assessment – to include additional criteria
- Conclusions of the workshop

Legend:

WWF – supervisor from WWF Mediterranean Programme (Branko, Francesca)

H- hydrologist, local expert

B- biologist, local expert

C- chemist, local expert

E – expert leader WFD-WG1

LN – Living Neretva