

Finland's Water Management Programme in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan

## FinWaterWEI II



PROGRAMME PERIOD: 2014–2017

**TARGET COUNTRIES:** Kyrgyzstan

and Tajikistan

**BUDGET:** € 8,000,000

FINANCING: Finnish

Development Assistance

**ADMINISTRATOR:** The Finnish

Environment Institute SYKE

### **Programme context**

The Water Management Programme in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, FinWaterWEI II will be implemented in 2014-2017. FinWaterWEI II promotes the priority areas of Finland's Development Policy Programme (2012) including a democratic and accountable society that promotes human rights; an inclusive green economy that promotes employment; sustainable management of natural resources and environmental protection; and human development.

In the context of the water sector, the human rights-based approach to development can be defined not only as people's right to clean water and sanitation but also as the capacity of the state institutions to provide the necessary services to its citizens. FinWaterWEI II also addresses the three cross-cutting objectives of Finland's development policy:

gender equality, reduction of inequality and climate sustainability.

The implementation of FinWaterWEI II builds on the experience acquired during the first phase of the FinWaterWEI programme in 2009-2013. Close cooperation with international development partners in the UN community and beyond will be continued, while at the same time diversifying the collaboration partner pool with a strong national presence. Support to highlevel policy process work (e.g. national policy dialogues) will be combined with activities that produce concrete deliverables on the ground.

The Programme encompasses also encompasses inter-institutional collaboration projects between Finnish governmental institutions and their counterparts in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Wide participation is sought by including civil society organisations in the implementation of activities.

# Beneficiaries and stakeholders

Following the human rights-based approach to development, FinWaterWEI II will address the capacities of rights-holders and duty bearers, and the relations between the two groups. On one hand the Programme aims at strengthening public authorities' capability and means to provide citizens with the necessary services and benefits from water.



Receiving water samples in a laboratory in Kyrgyzstan, Ari Mäkelä

Improved management and protection of water resources is expected to enhance the availability of water for drinking and household use, particularly in rural areas where the poorest people suffer most because of inadequate water services. On the other hand, the Programme will also provide direct support to beneficiaries at the local level in the form of awareness-raising campaigns, mobilisation of citizens for sustainable water and wastewater management, as well as exploring bottom-up approaches to sustainable water management. Particular attention will be paid to mobilising women and mainstreaming of gender in water management at different levels.

### **Objectives**

The overall objective of FinWaterWEI II is to enhance water security in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and the related region through equitable and integrated management of water resources. The Programme aims at reducing water-related risks by supporting the countries in managing their national and international water resources in a balanced, equitable and integrated manner. It also promotes a rights-based approach to water use and water management by supporting the capacities of both the duty bearers (authorities) and the rights holders (citizens).

The overall objective and purpose is expected to lead to four Key Results:

Result 1: Improved application of integrated management of water resources and strengthened basis for transboundary cooperation;

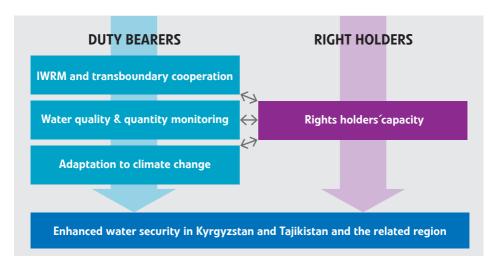
**Result 2:** Reinforced capacity of the water, environment and health administrations to monitor the quality and quantity of waters;

**Result 3:** Enhanced adaptive capacity and preparedness towards climate variability and change;

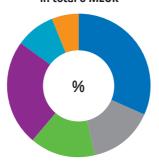
Result 4: Improved capacity of rights holders - including the poorest and other vulnerable groups - to understand and realise their rights and responsibilities towards water.



Mountainous view of Tajikstan, Laura Rantanen

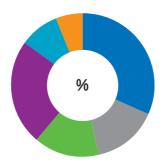


## Estimated Programme budget by Result Area in total 8 MEUR



IWRM and transboundary cooperation	32%
Monitoring water quality and quantity	15%
Climate change adaptation	15%
Support to beneficiaries	24%
Administration support & evaluation	9%
Contingency	6%

#### Estimated budget per modality



Allocated to international organisations	39%
Allocated to NGOs	10%
Allocated to other implementing agencies	12%
Administration support & evaluation	9%
To be allocated during the implementation	24%
Contingency	6%



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