



# DIKTAS II – 2<sup>nd</sup> SCOM meeting

## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGIC ACTION PROGRAMME (SAP) OF THE DINARIC KARST AQUIFER SYSTEM: IMPROVING GROUNDWATER GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY OF RELATED ECOSYSTEMS

Trebinje, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 9 July 2025

### AGENDA

#### Meeting Objectives

- Project progress between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> SCOM meeting
- Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> SCOM meeting and update on the achievements
- Decision to be made and next steps

#### Background documentation for the meeting

- Approved GEF Project Document
- Inception Report
- 1<sup>st</sup> SCOM Meeting Minutes
- List of participants



## Day 1 – 9 July 2025

11:00 **Official opening of the Steering Committee Meeting [10 min]**

- Siniša Šešum, Head of Antenna in Sarajevo, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe

**Session 1:** Informative session on the progress of the project components between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> SCOM meeting [60 min]

- Siniša Šešum, Head of Antenna in Sarajevo
- Boban Jolović, Project Manager

11:10 Introduction [5 min]

11:15 *Component 1. Facilitating multi-country cooperation [15 min]*

Output 1.1: Joint multi-disciplinary thematic expert groups established by project countries and the support of Project agencies.

Output 1.2: Draft multilateral agreement on the establishment of Consultation and Information Exchange Body (CIE) and its Secretariat prepared for governments approval.

Output 1.4: Stakeholder involvement plan formulated and implemented, including special focus on gender issues and women empowerment.

11:30 *Component 2. Institutional strengthening for improved GW governance [10 min]*

Output 2.1: Groundwater governance diagnostic analysis in all project countries, including a stocktaking of the governance situation — actors, legal framework, policies and plans, adherence to the EU WFD and GWD, available knowledge, enforcement capacity — and an assessment of gaps and opportunities.

11:40 *Component 3. Monitoring of karst waters and dependent ecosystems [10 min]*

*Output 3.1:* Design of DIKTAS-wide groundwater multi-purpose monitoring network, including: purpose, variables, network design and optimisation, data management, institutional arrangements, harmonised across the countries.

11:50 *Component 5. Awareness raising and gender mainstreaming [15 min]*

Output 6.1: Awareness raising events, dissemination products and education.

Output 6.2: Gender analysis conducted in project countries water sector.

Output 6.3: Participation in IW LEARN activities.

12:05 *Coffee break [15 min]*

### Session 2

12:20 Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> SCOM meeting and update on the achievements [20 min]

- Siniša Šešum, Head of Antenna in Sarajevo
  - Project Manager selection
  - Project Management Unit establishing

- Steering Committee establishing
- Inception Report update
- Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) update
- Selection of groundwater monitoring pilot sites - criteria

### **Session 3**

12:40 Decision to be made and next steps [60 min]

- Siniša Šešum, Head of Antenna in Sarajevo
- Boban Jolović, Project Manager
- SCOM members
  - Key project dates adjusting, including mid-term evaluation
  - GW monitoring pilot sites selection
  - Opening of the GIS expert position in DIKTAS 2
  - Expert group names adaptation
  - UNESCO/Green Climate Fund/Adaptation Fund initiative and possible synergy with DIKTAS II - Unlocking Climate Finance for Cultural Heritage, Water, and Biodiversity in South-East Europe
  - Other initiatives and possible cooperation
  - Other remarks + discussion

13:40 **Closure of the meeting**

14:00 *Lunch*