



# INTERNATIONAL WATERS RESULTS NOTES

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## Reducing Transboundary Degradation in the Kura Aras River Basin

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1. Agreement of Steering Committee on Inception Workshop and Work plan for Year 1
2. Hiring of staff initiated
3. Close collaboration with NFPs to ensure a client oriented focus for the project

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## **PROJECT OBJECTIVE**

*The Projects Development Objective is to provide critical support to development of National IWRM Plans in order to strengthen the national capacities to complete the Preliminary Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis and to develop a Regional Strategic Action Programme. This is accompanied by the implementation of biomonitoring/environmental flows demonstration projects to establish baseline data and support the countries approximation with the EU Water Framework Directive. This is in conjunction with a wide range of stakeholder involvement activities that will supplement and enhance the project.*

## **RESULTS: PROCESS**

*To date the project is still in the inception phase. Therefore results focus on the strong support of the governments of all participating countries for the project and interest in accomplishing the projects stated objectives.*

### **INDICATOR#1**

5.4 Inception meeting and number of Steering Committee meetings held [Inception meeting held within 3 months of project start] June 21 -22 Inception workshop and First Steering Committee was held and attended by the 8 member Steering Committee, which gave approval for the project work plan and budget for year 1.

### **INDICATOR#2**

5.1 Number of full time staff in Project Coordination Unit, Appointment of National Project Coordinators in each country [3 full time staff hired within three months of project commencement.] We have currently hired 5 full time staff – including National Coordinators, Project Coordinator and Administrative Associate, and we are in the process of hiring two international coordinators for the demonstration project and IWRM components, two Senior Experts for intermittent mentoring inputs, two part time project assistants for support in the Baku and Yerevan offices, and 48 National Experts for delivery based inputs on the project – with 16 for each country.

## **RESULTS: STRESS REDUCTION**

*To date, because we are within the inception phase of this project there are no stress reduction results.*

## **RESULTS: WATER RESOURCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS**

*To date, because we are within the inception phase of this project there are no water resource and environmental status results.*