

# Republic of Serbia Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management Republic Water Directorate

# WATER MANAGEMENT IN THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA, WFD AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER DIRECTIVES

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### Danube Great Morava West Morava South Morava Bečej Sava Drina Kolubara Timok White Drim Aegean Sea V. Gradište Kladov Donji Petrovac Prahovo o Svilajņac agubica Užice Paraćin Arilje Boles Mitrovica Priština Gnjilane Prizren

## REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

- Most of the territory belongs to the Danube River Basin
- All major rivers, except the Morava whose entire course lies within Serbia, either cross or define the state border



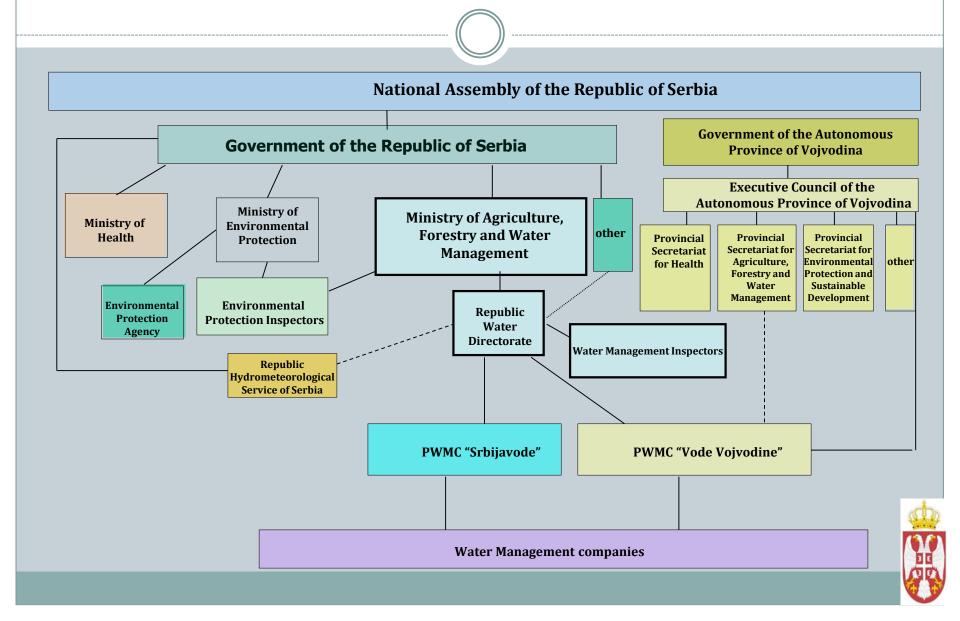
## WATER RESPONSIBILITIES

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, its operational body Republic Water Directorate is responsible:

- for **integrated water resources management** in Serbia, according to the Water Law
- according to the Law on Ministries for:
  - water resources management policy
  - multipurpose water usage
  - water regime
  - protection from water
  - water protection measures maintenance



## **INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK**



### **CURRENT STATUS**

#### **WATER SUPPLY**

- communal water supply functions well in a number of cities
- drinking water quality issues
- unbilled water/distribution network losses exceed acceptable levels

#### WATER PROTECTION

- low percentage of existing WWTPs which are operational
- insufficiently developed public sewerage systems

#### FLOOD PROTECTION

- Good protection on most of the large watercourses (Danube, Tisa, Sava, Morava, etc.)
- Problems on small streams and torrents

#### INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

- active bilateral agreements with Hungary and Romania
- multilateral cooperation ICPDR and ISRBC



## **EU ACCESSION PROCESS - CHAPTER 27**

- 21 January 2014 in Brussels the First Intergovernmental Conference - the formal start of Serbia's negotiations to join the EU
- 15-19 September and 17-21 November 2014 in Brussels –
   SCREENING
- January 2017 Screening report without benchmarks
- June 2018 Negotiation position sent to informal consultation to EC
- ON-GOING ACTIVITY UPDATING OF NEGOTIATION POSITION

## IMPLEMENTATION OF WFD AND OTHER EUROPEAN DIRECTIVES

- ✓ The first RBMP is planned to be adopted by the end of 2021
- ✓ Full implementation of WFD is linked with the implementation of UWWTD, DWD and ND
- ✓ Implementation of the UWWTD and DWD requirements is foreseen by 2044
- ✓ Nitrates Directive Action Programme will be operational from the year of accession
- ✓ The first FRMP is planned to be adopted by the end of 2021



## REVISION OF WFD AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER EUROPEAN DIRECTIVES

- ✓ Effective have the objectives been met?
- ✓ Efficient were cost reasonable and enabling changes to be adequately achieved?
- ✓ Success of addressing the problems?
  - ✓ ENABLING SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT WITH COMMON WATER PROTECTION STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES ACROSS THE ENTIRE EUROPE



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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