

Target and Solutions Group (TSG) for Specific Europe Region Priority Target 7 (SERPT 7):

to Improve European drinking Water and sanitation services

7.2 - Better manage drinking water supply and sanitation utilities in Europe and promote “public-private” partnerships, socially acceptable water pricing, industrial and commercial management, etc

TSG - Working Group 7.2 (Water & Sanitation Services) lead by EUREAU

Management of drinking water supply and sanitation utilities

Thematic: Tariffs, Taxes and Transfers (the “3Ts”)

Overall objective: Promote the application of the 3Ts in the water and wastewater sector by issuing a methodological guide with illustrations from European cases. Promote the presentation of the sector financing through the tariff, taxes and transfer approach and include the 3Ts approach in the next EUREAU publication on statistics.

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Time schedule:

- **April / May 2011:**

Setting up organization of TSG (WG 7.2), identifying ‘core writers’ of report on SERPT 7.2

- **May / June 2011**

Preparing synthesis / outline of paper. Identifying TSG case studies.

To be conducted by EUREAU involving WG 7.2 for comments via email correspondence.

- **June 30th 2011:**

Synthesis / outline of paper. The first deliverable should include an annotated outline of the report and if possible include proposed case studies and date sources.

Synthesis / outline of paper to be sent to ERC (the Europe Region Coordinator).

TSG shall produce a draft report on their own SERPT. The report shall introduce the importance of the SERPT, describe the relevance of each associated solution proposed and include a synthesis of existing and innovative solutions on the basis of the TSGs' case studies.

- **1st week of September – extended to September 16**

First draft review. First draft (version 0.0) to be send to TSG-WG7.2 for comments and contributions. Deadline for comments Sept. 27th and at the Porto meeting. Corresponding group (EUREAU, DANVA, OECD) to be involved for input preparing draft version 0.0.

- **September 29, 2011, Porto**

Present draft (version 1.0) at Meeting of WG 7.2 “Water & Sanitation services” in Porto.

First draft, detailed outline of the methodology under the overall objective to promote the application of the 3Ts in the water and wastewater sector by issuing a methodological guide with illustrations.

Exchanges and discussion of draft report

- **2nd week of October**

Final draft review

Final draft to be send to TSG-WG2 for comments. Deadline for comments October 23rd

Final draft review to be send to EUREAU Excom (meeting 27th October)

- **25 - 26 October, OECD Global Forum on Environment**

Presentation of final draft and discussion (tbc)

- **October 31st, 2011**

Final paper describing detailed methodology. The paper will determine, in a concrete way, all the different parameters that have to be taken into account to be able to determine in each country, the tariffs, the taxes and the transfers. On basis of that, the document should also present up to 3 cases studies.

- **November 3rd – 4th**

Presentation of final paper at EUREAU3 meeting in Amsterdam (tbc).

The idea would be after the WWF6 to ask each EUREAU Member to fill in these parameters to present for the 1st time, possibly in the next EUREAU Statistics, a global view of the European water sector.

- **November / December**

First discussion on the elaboration of a work plan to be launched in Marseille

- **December 2011:**

Final report to be send to Europe Region Coordinator

The ERC (the Europe Region Coordinator) and TSGs shall submit the final report on all SERPT to the RPC (the IFC Regional Process Commission). This final report shall integrate the reports and case studies produced by the Target and Solutions Groups and will be presented at the Marseilles' Forum.

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