



CRESSIDA Sub-Regional Workshop **Building Local Resilience for the Communities**

Hotel Mediteran/Bečići, Budva, Montenegro
May 08-09, 2018

“CRESSIDA: building local Community RESilience for Sustainable development in International watersheds such as the Drini and Drina river Watersheds”

CRESSIDA is a regional program for Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Macedonia and Serbia, implemented by the REC and supported by US EPA.

The overall goal of the CRESSIDA project is to support local communities, the national administrations and business sector, to more efficiently plan and implement local sustainable management in the Drina Watershed regions. The lessons learned in the communities along Drina watershed can be shared with other communities and would become examples for implementation throughout the region.

Workshop Objectives:

- Raising capacities of municipality and community representatives on Index of Water Integrity at local level, mainly for addressing water management challenges in the river basin of Drina;
- Exchange experience on the implementation of Pilot projects implemented in the beneficiary communities;
- Strengthen the regional network among local authorities and community representatives on finding solutions to challenges on the water management at the river basin level.

Logistic Information:

Date: May 08-09, 2018
Place: Budva/Bečići, Montenegro
Venue: **Hotel “Mediteran”, Budva**
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Hotel Mediteran is located at the most well-known tourism town in Montenegro –Budva, at the Montenegro coast. Bečići are 62 km from Podgorica.

Working Languages: English (translation to local language will be provided)
Participants: Approx. 30 participants representing 9 local communities along the Drina River



Workshop Agenda

Day 0 – Mon (afternoon), May 07, 2018

Arrival to Bečići, Budva			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker
	All Day	Participants arrive	
	19.00	Dinner provided at Hotel for the registered participants	

Day 1 – Tue, May 08, 2018

Opening session			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker (Position, Affiliation)
8:30	9:00	Registration	
9:00	9:10	Welcome: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda Review Workshop Objectives 	Ms. Ruža Radović, REC Acting Country Office Director, Montenegro Mr. Mihallaq QIRJO, Cressida Program Manager
9:10	9:20	Welcome and Remarks from the Host	(Tbc) Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, Montenegro
9:20	9:30	Presentation of participants: Tour de table	
9:30	9:50	Key Presentations: Institute for Hydrometeorology and Seismology of Montenegro Mr. Luka Mitrović, Director Ms. Nevenka Tomić, Head of Department of Water Quality (30 minute presentation + Q&A)	<i>Moderator – Mihallaq Qirjo</i>
9:50	10:30	What is “Watershed Integrity”? (IWI as Concept) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terminology: watershed, river basin, catchment Human health approach to evaluate the condition of vital systems The 6 vital systems of a basin: Hydrologic Regulation, Regulation of Water Chemistry, Sediment Regulation, Hydrologic Connectivity, Temperature Regulation, Habitat Provision 	Kelsey AHO ORISE Fellow at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
10:30	10:45	Break	
1st session: Index on Water Integrity			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker (Position, Affiliation)



Opening session			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker (Position, Affiliation)
10:45	12:00	How is watershed integrity in the western Balkans? (Results) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look at the spatial data and identify stressors • Discuss shortcomings: missing data, stressors are equally weighted, based on a U.S. model 	
12:00	13:15	Lunch Break	
2 nd session: Index on Water Integrity (2)			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker (Position, Affiliation)
13:15	14:45	How does IWI apply to my community? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who have worked with the IWI can present on their use of the data, their insights, and what they hope to use the data for (5 minute each) • Hand out IWI results, break into small groups, have individuals that have been involved to led discussion and learning- and report back to the audience 	
14:45	15:00	Break	
15:00	16:15	How can we use the IWI? (management applications) Discuss management options at difference scales <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local • Regional • International Address discussed topics from the How does IWI apply to your community?	
16:15	16:45	CRESSIDA: A Living Laboratory for Community Sustainable Development (Project results)	Mr. Mihallaq QIRJO Regional Environmental Center Mr. Jose ZAMBRANA, Senior Advisor Office of Research and Development, US EPA
16:45	17:00	Summary of the day	Mr. Mihallaq QIRJO, Cressida Program Manager
18.00		Travel	<i>Bus</i>
18:30	21:00	Social Event: Dinner in a traditional restaurant in Budva	



Day 2 - Wed, May 9, 2018

3 rd session: Lessons learnt on local resilience building			
Start	Finish	Item	Speaker (Position, Affiliation)
9:00	9:10	Overview of Day of 1st day and Agenda of 2nd day	Mr. Jose ZAMBRANA /Mr. Alex LAN US EPA
9:10	9:45	The actions in the Drina River Basin – cross-border/national attempts for building data and resilience (World Bank project)	Ms. Jovanka Ignatovic Team Leader Senior Expert on Water and Natural Resources
9:45	10:15	Presentation on results and achievement on pilot projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Montenegro • BiH • Serbia 	Municipality representatives
10:45	11:00	Break	
11:00	12:00	Needs for regional cooperation and opportunities	
12:00	12:30	Presentation on ideas for regional cooperation and opportunities	
12.30	13.30	Conclusion Remarks and Adjourn of the workshop	Mr. Mihallaq QIRJO, REC Mr. Jose ZAMBRANA, EPA
13:30	14:30	Lunch	
Afternoon		Participants return to their countries	