





National Ecological Centre of Ukraine

"Hydropower energy development in Ukraine - Public Analysis in the Context of European Integration Processes. Climate change impact on rivers

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## Hydropower development program: what was it?

•Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the Energy sector, 2005

•Protocol on Accession of Ukraine to the Treaty on Establishing of the Energy Community, 2011

















### Method of program approval

- Without developing of the Program concept
- Without energy and economic justification
- Without considering of alternatives
- Without conducting the State ecological expertise
- Without conducting SEA and EIA
- Without consent with the Ministry of Natural Resources of Ukraine
- Without disclosure and discussion with the public
- Without reaction to the appeal of public organizations
- With imitation of public discussions postfactum
- No financial guarantees of creditors









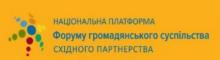








### Results of public discussion of the Program





#### СПІЛЬНЕ ЗВЕРНЕННЯ

Робочої групи 3 УНП та Робочої групи 5 УС ПГС

до Прем'єр-міністра України Володимира Гройсмана

щодо перегляду політики Уряду у сфері гідроенергетики

### Must be provided

preparation of the new edition of the Program, its public discussion and Strategic Environmental Assessment

















Why is public against hydropower energy in Ukrainian realities?

### <u>Resolutions of 3 seminars</u> <u>Key messages</u>

- Relevance of energy priorities to European, priority of energy saving and energy efficiency
- Eco-imperative, preservation of historical and cultural heritage of Ukraine, Europe and the world
- Taking into account the position of local <u>Chernivtsi</u> communities and meeting the priorities of local development
- Objective and independent assessment of hydropower programs and projects

**Mykolaiv** 

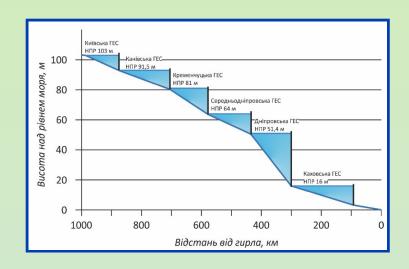






### Hydropower energy of Ukraine: how it changed our environment





**Does Dnipro in Ukraine** 

















### Real cost of realization of hydropower projects

What is the cost of environmental degradation?

What are the ecosystem services of rivers lost?

What awaits us with the continuation of the previous policy in the field of hydropower energy?







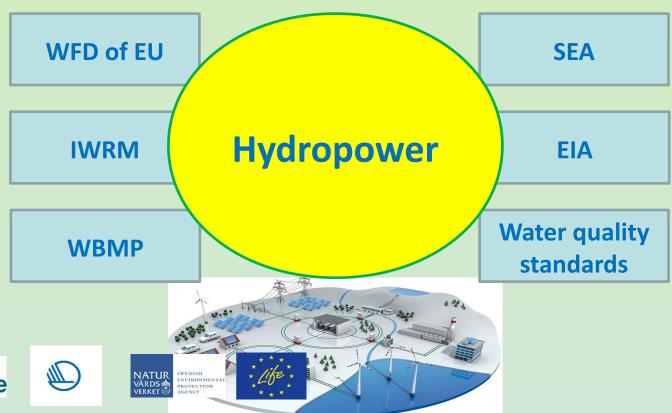






#### We live in another world, therefore

Ukraine needs a new environmental strategy, which should change the attitude of energy to the environment.





Future is renewable energy of sun and wind and distributed smart grids

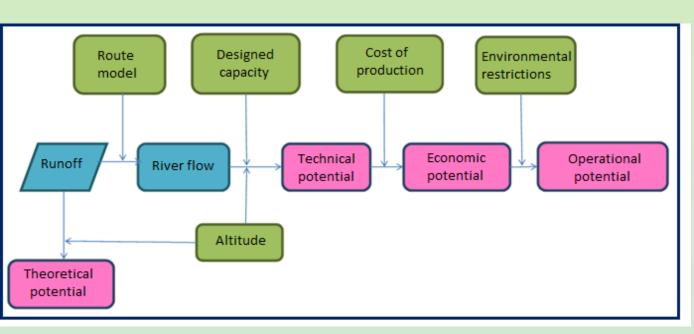


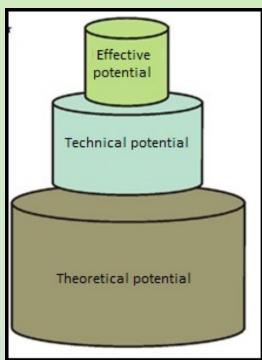






### View changing on hydropower potential



















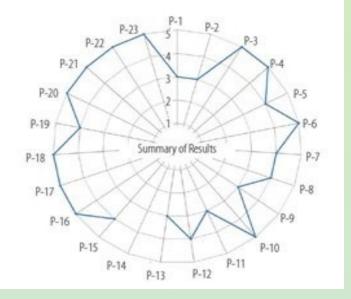


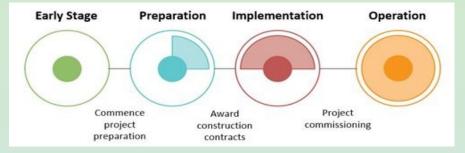
# Protocol for Assessing Sustainable Development Plans for Hydropower Projects (IHA)

#### Example List of Topics Assessed:

- P-1 Communications and Consultation
- P-2 Governance
- P-3 Demonstrated Need and Strategic Fit
- P-4 Siting and Design
- P-5 Environmental and Social Management
- P-6 Integrated Project Management
- P-7 Hydrological Resource
- P-8 Infrastructure Safety
- P-9 Financial Viability
- P-10 Project Benefits
- P-11 Economic Viability
- P-12 Procurement

- P-13 Project-Affected Communities
- P-14 Resettlement (Not relevant)
- P-15 Indigenous Peoples
- P-16 Labour and Working Conditions
- P-17 Cultural Heritage
- P-18 Public Health
- P-19 Biodiversity and Invasive Species
- P-20 Erosion and Sedimentation
- P-21 Water Quality
- P-22 Reservoir Planning
- P-23 Downstream Flow Regimes













# What principles of hydropower development should be implemented urgently:

- Publicity and transparency
- > Involvement of the public, scientists and experts
- > Compliance with the criteria of sustainable development
- Environmental safety and compliance with SEA and EIA procedures
- Consideration of alternative solutions
- Creation of the bank of the best technologies
- Understanding the value of water as the key resource of humanity
- > Security principles

















### Suggestions for priority actions:

- Implementation of measures to reduce the negative impact of certain objects of hydropower on environment
- > Updating of the Dnipro river ecological improvement program
- > Investigation of the situation with the illegal development of the Tashlytska HPP
- Development and implementation of methodology for all hydropower objects EIA conducting without exception
- Program
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- > Implementation of the ecosystem approach in assessing hydropower resources taking into account the factor of climate change
- Decision-making on hydropower projects in the framework of Integrated Water Resources Management









# Environmental, Climate and Social Guideline of EIB on Hydropower Development

- We propose to include three major principals for the hydropower developer to the Preamble:
- Hydropower designers should be guided by the principle of eco-imperative as a base.
- Taking into account the threats posed by global climate change, the EIB will not finance the construction of hydroelectric power plants on "living rivers", that rivers which are practically in a natural state and creation new dams.
- The EIB will finance projects for the modernization of existing hydropower facilities, with a view to improving their economic performance and environment rehabilitating, and hydropower plants functioning without dams.







### Inland water way E40

New threat for ecosystem of Polessia and conservation of fresh water. This threats are increasing in climate change framework. During last decades:

- average annual temperature increased on  $0.8^{\circ}$ C, the most intensive growth of winter  $0.9^{\circ}$ C and summer  $1.3^{\circ}$ C;
- Polessia becomes vulnerable: duration of warm period was equal to 278 days which is on 40 days more as to climate norm.
- Total evaporation is increasing and there is a lack of water to meet the needs of plants;
- the role of drained territories of Polissia as sources of CO2 emissions is still underestimated













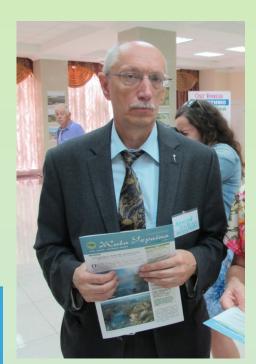






### **Analytical materials**





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#### What will we choose for the future of Ukraine?

More 6000 signatures were collected by our colleague in Mykolaiv against Oleksandrivske reservoir level up.













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