Supporting the Development of an investment action plan to support the implementation of the new strategy of Moldova for water supply and sanitation

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This project is designed to support the Moldovan Government Strategy on Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) adopted in 2007, as well as the ongoing reforms of public financing (i.e. the introduction of a medium term expenditure framework, MTEF). The overall objective of this project is to strengthen the capacity of the Government of Moldova (GoM) to plan and implement prioritized viable water supply and sanitation infrastructure investments, to mobilise and effectively allocate financial resources for reaching water-related Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), while ensuring that WSS services are affordable for the population.

The immediate objective of this project is to provide support to the Government of Moldova in developing an investment/action plan and help implement the 2007 Government Strategy "Water Supply and Sewage in Settlements of the Republic of Moldova" by effectively integrating the investment/action plan into the medium-term expenditure framework (MTEF) in the Ministry of Finance (MoF).

To achieve the immediate objective of the project, the project will:

- Elaborate an investment/action plan, which complements and facilitates implementation of the 2007 Government Strategy "Water Supply and Sewage in Settlements of the Republic of Moldova" and the 2007 Financing Strategy for WSS,

- Assist GoM authorities in elaborating templates and internal procedures for the preparation of their submissions to the MTEF and annual budgets, as well as to the National Fund for Regional Development (NFRD), related to budgetary allocations for the WSS sector.

- Assist GoM authorities in elaborating a set of performance indicators associated with the implementation of the suggested investment/action plan.

- Conduct, together with relevant Moldovan representatives, a "road show" at relevant donor institutions to promote the finalized investment/action plan.

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