Meeting of Working Group Data & Information Sharing (DIS) under the Common Implementation Strategy of the Water Framework Directive

16 - 17/03/2021

The WG DIS is invited to:

• Take note of the information provided by the Commission on: the process for reporting under the following Directives

1. URBAN WASTE WATER TREATMENT DIRECTIVE

Regular monitoring and reporting on the quality of the urban waste water, collection & treatment systems, and updated information on the programmes for implementation of the Directive is required from Member States under Article 17 of the Directive.

Member States submit their data every two years by means of Reportnet. The data is processed by the EEA and ETC/ICM. The Commission's consultant carries out analysis and compliance assessment. The contractor checks compliance with the requirements of Articles 3, 4 and 5 of the Directive. The assessment of data is partially automated thanks to the use of the SIIF tool (Structured Implementation and Information Framework). The tool generates preliminary compliance assessments and makes urban waste water implementation results available online.

Data reported by Member States reflecting the status of implementation of the Directive are available online:

EEA

https://www.eea.europa.eu/themes/water/european-waters/water-use-and-environmental-pressures/uwwtd/interactive-maps/urban-waste-water-treatment-maps-3

• SIIF per country (bottom of the page)

https://uwwtd.eu/

• SIIF EU maps with background data

https://uwwtd.eu/map/europe-list

The Member States have submitted data reflecting the status of implementation of the Directive as of 31/12/2018. Currently the reported data is being processed by the Commission and the 11th Report is in preparation. It will be published in 2022. The

Commission publishes every two years a report on the Directive's implementation results and programmes for implementation.

The latest report (10th Report) was published in September 2020 and reflects the status of implementation of the Directive as of 31/12/2016. It is available under the following link: https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-

content/EN/TXT/?qid=1600155318894&uri=CELEX:52020DC0492

Previous implementation reports are available online: https://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/water-urbanwaste/implementation/implementationreports_en.htm

DG ENV.C.2 and EEA are organising a workshop on UWWTD reporting on 23-24 March 2021 to address current and future changes in reporting.

2. THE BATHING WATER DIRECTIVE

Regular monitoring and reporting on the quality of bathing waters is required from Member States under Article 13.1 (Identification of Bathing Areas) and Article 13.2 (Monitoring and Classification of Bathing Waters) of the Directive.

Under Article 13.1, Member States notify annually, after 1 January and before the start of the bathing season, of all waters identified as bathing waters, including the reason for any change compared to the preceding year. Under Article 13.2, Member States notify annually after the bathing season, the bathing water quality during the period.

These two annual reporting obligations constitute an Eionet core data flow. Member States submit their data by means of Reportnet. The data is processed by the EEA and ETC/ICM.

Member States submitted the Article 13.2 data for the 2020 bathing season by 31/12/2020 (with the exception of Italy that is late). The data is under assessment and the annual report is planned to be published by 1/06/2021.

The latest annual report on European bathing water quality in 2019 as well as national reports were published in June 2020 and are available under the following link: https://www.eea.europa.eu//publications/european-bathing-water-quality-in-2019

An additional EEA publication covering BWD reporting is available on the website. This report summarises how bathing water quality improved across Europe over 40 years.

https://www.eea.europa.eu//publications/bathing-water-quality-2020

Previous reports are available online: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/water-bathing/index en.html

3. Drinking water directive

Regular monitoring and reporting on the quality of drinking water is required from Member States under Article 13 of the Directive.

Member States submit their data every three years by means of Reportnet. Member States submitted their data covering the period 2017-2019 in February 2021 (with the

exception of a number of Member States that are still in the process of submitting). A contractor is currently checking the completeness of the submissions.

Drinking water quality data reported by Member States covering the period 2014-2016 was processed by a Commission's contractor in 2018. The raw data reported by Member States is available on Eionet.

The latest synthesis report for the 2011-2013 period was published in October 2016 and is available under the following link: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/water-drink/pdf/reports/EN.pdf

Previous synthesis reports are available online: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/water-drink/reporting_en.html

4. MARINE STRATEGY FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE

The second Marine Strategy Framework Directive 6 –year cycle started with the 2018 reporting on updates for Art 8-9-10 (assessment, determination of Good Environmental Status (GES), environmental targets). 22 of 23 Member States have reported out of which 20 have reported electronically. Due in part to significant delays in receiving the ereports, the Commission's Art 12 assessment is delayed. The current planning is that it will be released in second half of 2021.

In 2020, reporting on updates for Art 11 (monitoring programmes) started. 13 of 23 Member States have reported. Initial preparations for the Commission's Art 12 assessment are underway.

In 2022, the reporting on updates of Art 13-14 (programmes of measures and exceptions) will start using EEA's new ReportNet 3.0 system.

WISE-Marine continues to be developed and expanded, giving access to Member States reported data and to several dashboards showing progress towards GES. The 'country profiles' now show summary results for Bathing Water Directive and Water Framework Directive, as well as Marine Strategy Framework Directive.