



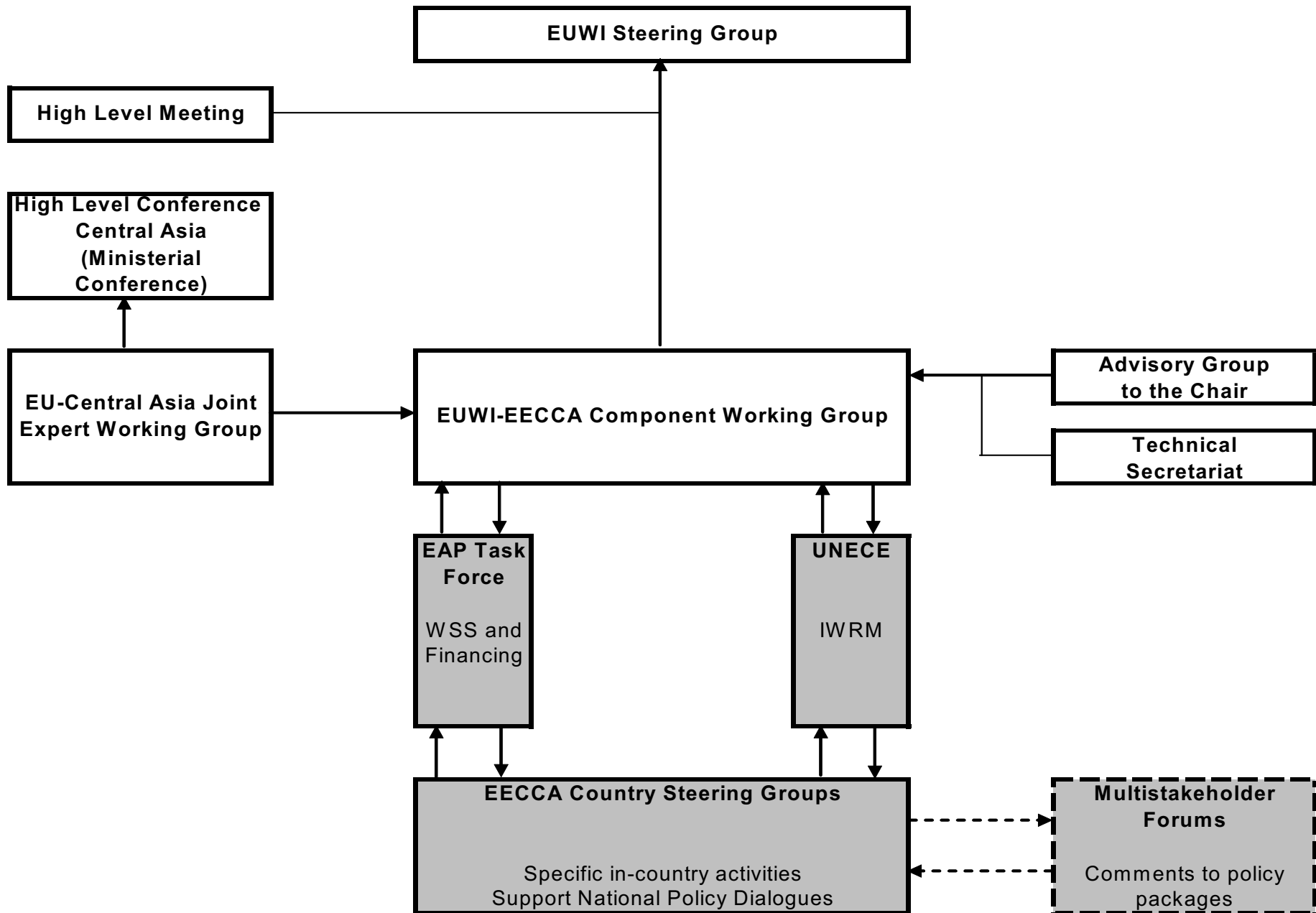
# EUWI-EECCA component- elements of short term and future strategy

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## **Work programme for EUWI EECCA until 2015 (approved 2005)- implemented through annual work programmes**

- Improve institutional and regulatory framework
- Ensure financial viability of utilities
- Investment in water supply, sanitation and rehabilitation
- Ensure access of the poor to water services
- Safeguard public health
- Protect the environment
- Establish and implement national policies for IWRM
- Develop the inter-state cooperative structures for lake/river basin management



## Key documents supporting the work programme and its implementation

- "National Policy Dialogues - From Work Programme to Action". It provides a framework for the National Policy Dialogues
- Terms of References for the OECD/EAP Task Force and UNECE,
- "Assessment of the performance of the EECCA component".
- Country papers. These papers, titled "Country Situation and Priorities", exist for all EECCA countries but Belarus, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan..
- Standard Request form to assist EECCA Countries in describing needs for partnerships

# Work Programme 2007 (approved November 2006 by WG)

- Implementation of National Policy Dialogues (Moldova and Armenia) and inclusion of IWRM
- Preparations to launch two new National Policy dialogues ( Western EECCA and Central Asia)
- Two Working Group meetings ( Helsinki, May, Moscow November (tbc))

# Work Programme 2007(2)

- Joint process with the EU Water framework Directive
- EU-Central Asia Joint Expert Group Meetings
- Monitoring of Progress (Assessment and impact)
- Reinforcement of communication with the EUWI Financing group, Research, Water Investment Facility and IFI's

# Work Programme 2007 (3)

- 6th Ministerial Meeting “Environment For Europe” Belgrade 2007. Report and side-event
- Preparations for hand-over to the new chair of the EUWI EECCA for 2008: Romania

# Strategic considerations for the future (1)

- Continue to build on and strengthen existing mechanisms like the UNECE Water Convention,
- Continue the focus on transferring and adapting experience from EU Water Framework Directive/ Water Convention- addressing the specific water resources issues in EECCA
- National Policy Dialogues as the main instrument – more to be established widened



# Strategic considerations for the future (2)

Further focus on financing:

- Stronger links to existing financing mechanisms- ENPI; Central Asia Strategy, member state bilateral programmes, UN and other programmes.
- Development and implementation of innovative financing mechanisms, such as joint lending involving IFI's, donors and commercial banks
- Further involvement of IFI's and donors active in the region incl. EU member states in the work (NPD's, financing mechanisms etc)

# Strategic considerations for the future (3)

- Regular monitoring of Progress (Assessment and impact)
- Strengthening communication
- ..... The new EUWI EECCA chair (from January 20089 - may add additional items