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Joint action plan of measures for Gauja/Koiva and Salaca/Salatsi river basins

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Transboundary waterbodies



Pärlijõgi. Maa-ameti kaldaerofoto.

- Vaidava_2 / Vaidva_2
- Vaidava_1 / Vaidva_1
- Pērļupīte_1 / Pärlijõgi _1
- Pedele_2 / Pedeli_2
- Melnupe_2 / Peetri

Small HPP-s causing hydromorphological pressures

Joint measures analysed

Building of a fish pass

Demolishing a dam

Environmentally friendly turbine

Improvement of an existing fish pass

Measures analysed only on Latvian side

Reconstruction or improvement of an existing fish pass

Maintenance of an existing fish pass

Implementation of ecological flow

Permanently lowering a dam

Opening migration way during spawning period



Vaidva_2 / Vaidava_2

Moderate Fish (HPP-s)*

	HPP	Measure
EST	Vastse-Roosa	Improvement of an existing fish pass
		Environmentally friendly turbine
LAT	Karva	Demolishing a dam
		Ecological flow implementation and building a fish pass
	Grūbe	Demolishing a dam
		Ecological flow implementation and building a fish pass

Vaidva_1 / Vaidava_1

Measure

Implement measures proposed for WB Vaidva_1/Vaidava_1

- In Latvia failing GES in Vaidava_1 WB is due to effects of hydropower plants downstream, on water body Vaidava_2 (LVEE1008).
- Socially-informative measures are intended to address further point source nutrient pollution reduction possibilities from Alūksne city waste water treatment plant (WWTP) on WB Vaidava_1. WWTP currently meets state regulatory standards.



Vaidava_1 at the source (near lake Murati, 2019).

Pedeli_2 / Pedele_2

Moderate	Fish (HPP-s)*
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	HPP	Measure
LAT	Dzirnavnieku	Demolishing the HPP and dam
		Ecological flow implementation and building a fish pass
	Kalndzirnavu	Demolishing the HPP and dam
		Ecological flow implementation and building a fish pass

Other obstacles/impoundments causing hydromorphological pressures

Joint measures

Building of a fish pass

Opening migration way during spawning period

Demolishing a dam

Measures analysed only in Estonian side

Improvement of an existing fish pass



Pedeli_2 / Pedele_2

	Dams	Measure	Moderate	Fish (HPP-s)*
EST	Pedeli IV, Pedeli III, Pedeli II, Pedeli I	Building of a fish pass		
		Demolishing a dam		



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Pärlijõgi_1 / Pērļupīte_1

Good/ Poor**

	Dams	Measure
EST	Saarlase	Demolishing a dam
	Pärlijõe	Demolishing a dam



Peetri / Melnupe_2

Measure

Find a representative monitoring location

- According to the latest monitoring data, the quality of the Melnupe_2 is rated as moderate, but this is questionable due to the fact that the monitoring station is located in a location that is unlikely to objectively represent the quality of the entire water body.
- The proposed measure is therefore linked to the choice of site for the monitoring station.



Accumulated nutrient pollution in lake sediments

Joint measures analysed
Sediment dredging
Removal of macrophytes
Biomanipulation

Measures analysed only on Estonian side
Complex methods (sediment dredging and removal of macrophytes)

Measures analysed only on Latvian side
Immobilization of phosphorus using chemical treatment
Artificial aeration and mixing
Hypolimnetic withdrawal
Artificial floating wetlands



Accumulated nutrient pollution in lake sediments (2)

	WB	Measures
LAT	Lake Burtnieki	Sediment dredging
		Removal of macrophytes
		Biomanipulation
		Sediment dredging + Macrophyte removal + Biomanipulation
EST	Lake Kõstrejärv	Complex method: sediment dredging + macrophyte cutting

WB – waterbody



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Measures for other WBs

The same approach for selection of measures was used for the rest of the water bodies in the project area.

In Latvia measures were selected for:

- 3 river WBs with 8 dams (not used for energy production);
- 3 river WBs with 5 dams used for energy production (HPPs);
- 2 lake WBs with accumulated nutrient pollution in sediments.

In Estonia measures were selected for:

- 2 river WBs with 5 dams (not used for energy production);
- 1 lake WB with accumulated nutrient pollution in sediments.



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Other pressures and measures on Latvian side

- 5 WBs where nutrient pollution due to forestry is significant;
 - 13 WBs where nutrient pollution due to agriculture is significant;
 - 4 WBs where pressure due to drainage of forest lands is significant;
 - 7 WBs where pressure due to drainage of arable lands is significant.
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- ✓ No one of these WBs are transboundary WB. Measures and their cost-effectiveness for these water bodies are still being analyzed.
 - ✓ Under consideration are measures such as the cultivation of catch crops, the maintenance of winter green areas, the maintenance of buffer zones, the installation of phosphorus filters in drainage ditches, the establishment of sedimentation basins etc.



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Other measures on Estonian side

WB	Measure
Lake Aheru	Study to clarify the outer and inner loads of the lake and to propose relevant measures
Lake Hino	
Lake Kirikumäe	Limit all activities which may add nutrient load or hydromorphological changes to the lake

! Lake Pullijärv
! Lake Ähijärv



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Thank you!

