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**Water Sector Performance and Investment Programme / Municipal Infrastructure Programme V**



**Duration:** 01.02.2020 - 28.02.2029

**Countries:**
Albania

**EU contribution:** € 43 400 000

**Total budget:** € 145 700 000

**Implementer:**
KfW

**Website(s):** www.wpip-mipv.al

**Project description:**

The WPIP / MIP V Programme: “Water Sector Performance and Investment Programme/ Municipal Infrastructure Programme V” with a total budget of 145.7 million Euro is implemented by KfW and jointly financed by German Financial Cooperation through KfW (80 million Euro loan), German Government (9 million Euro grant), EU IPA (43.3 million Euro grant) and SECO (13.3 million Euro grant).
The WPIP/MIP V programme aims at enhancing sustainability of six Regional Water and Sewerage companies (Shkodra, Lezhe, Elbasan, Fier, Berat and Vlora) with improved planning, operation and integrity management and climate resilience, and at improving affordable access of the population in the programme areas to safe drinking water supply, sewer services and increased centralised treatment of collected waste water.
The programme is supporting the National Water Supply and Sewerage Agency (AKUK) and the six Utilities through two components:
• INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING: support to business planning, tariff adjustment, reduction of non-revenue water, revenue increase, integrity management, and disaster risk management in Lezha;
• INVESTMENT MEASURES: upgrading and extension of drinking water and wastewater systems, and related supervision of works according to all national and international standards, laws and regulations and in compliance with EU Directives (Chapter 27 of EU acquis).

**Expected results:**

•Referring to sustainability: 100 % coverage of Direct Operational Costs; reduction of water losses; adapted tariff plans; improved invoicing; collection rate constantly over 85 %; verified improvement of good governance.
•Referring to storm water: 30,000 persons with increased resilience to storm water incidents in Lezha.
•Referring to waste water: 152,000 population effectively connected to operational waste water collection with centralized treatment systems, monitored in accordance with EU directives.
•Referring to drinking water: increased population effectively connected to improved and/or new drinking water network. Increased average daily water supply hours from 13 to 16 hours.