Water Supply and Sewerage Systems in Himara Municipality and Its Coastal Villages

Project Financing

WBIF	Grant	WB19-ALB-ENV-02	€ 1,872,000
National Contribution	Own Contribution		€ 1,450,000
Federal Republic of Germany	External Grant	Grant	€ 950,000
KFW	Loan		€ 40,000,000
Federal Republic of Germany	External Grant	Grant (Accompanying Measures)	€ 2,000,000
WBIF	Grant	WB21-ALB-ENV-03	€ 2,308,800
Total			€ 48,580,800
Total Grants			€ 4,180,800
Total Loans			€ 40,000,000

Project Description

Albania is facing challenges with regard to the provision of quality water supply and wastewater services to its citizens. The existing water supply systems consist of old networks causing a high rate of water losses and with wells with often insufficient capacity for the increasing demand especially during summer peak. Some rural communities do not yet have water supply systems, while the planned extension of economic and touristic activities need the development of basic infrastructure for water supply. These problems induce difficult living conditions and contribute among others to health hazards and poverty.

The Albanian Government with international support is tackling these issues through Rural Water Supply Programmes. Two WBIF technical assistance grants (with a combined value of €2.5 million) supported the preparation of feasibility studies in various rural areas of Albania, as well as Detailed Design and Tender Dossier for the water supply and sewerage systems in the Himara Municipality. The investments under this project cover the construction or reconstruction of water supply systems (consisting of spring captures, transmission lines, reservoirs, distribution networks, and house connections) and complementary emergency wastewater measures. The project is expected to yield numerous benefits including:

Results and Benefits

- Securing of hygienically clean 24 hours water supply for 25.200 residents and around 20.000 visitors in the villages in the southern coast of Albania by the construction of a new water supply system for villages of Himara
- Coverage of the project area with appropriate sewerage collection systems and avoiding the further discharge of untreated water in the Ionian Sea
- Ensure community participation in providing safe water and sanitation services

• Countries: Albania

• Code: PRJ-ALB-ENV-017

• **Sector:** Environment • Lead IFI: KFW

Status: Implementation Beneficiary: Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy