**Lessons learned from Armenian PPP-based reforms**

**Part 1: Overview**

Public Private Partnership (PPP) in Armenia was implemented with the aim of accelerating water infrastructure development that is vital for the country. Armenia is among the exclusive countries where starting from 2009 the water sector has entirely been managed based on PPP. From 2000 up to now 3 management contracts and 2 lease contracts have been implemented in the country:

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| **Term** | **Service area** | **Operator** | **Form of PPP** |
| 2017-2032 | service area of all 5 previous water companies | VEOLIA Water (France) | Lease contract |
| 2006 - 2016 | Yerevan city | VEOLIA Water (France) | Lease contract |
| 2004 – 2016 | Secondary towns and rural area | SAUR (France) | Management contract |
| 2009 – 2016 | 3 regions in the north part of Armenia | SAUR (France), MVVs (Germany), AEG Service (Armenia) | Management contract |
| 2000-2005 | Yerevan city | ACEA (Italy) | Management contract |

The PPP in Armenian Water Sector is applied gradually from the simpler form to a deeper one. All contracts are performance based contracts.

Within more than 15 years of reforms the water sector has shown a progressive level of performance, access to universal, equitable, safe and affordable water is substantially improved among the entire population of Armenia.