Next Steps

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What we have heard during the workshop

- Priority Sectors Water, Forestry, Mineral/Energy
- Begin with policy questions. Many questions on policy analysis and policy making
- NCA is a useful tool (an extra pair of glasses for decision makers)
- SEEA-CF is an international standard.
- Good examples of applications exist. This can be done.
- Go little by little. Learning by doing process.
- Involvement and support from international groups (EU, EuroStat, World Bank/WAVES, UN organizations, ...)
- Expression of interest in joining WAVES (e.g., Georgia)

What we have heard during the workshop (cont.)

A lot of technical issues to be addressed in ECA countries

- Data gaps, availability, legal base, open data and sharing, use of
- Accounting framework
- Methodology and technologies for data survey, collection, processing, analysis, quality control, etc
- High cost of data generation, how to finance data generation
- Political commitment
- Institutional setup and strengthening institutions important
- Focused training needed

Moving Forward:

Suggest country representatives share their view.

- What are 3-5 things that you can do in your country to move forward in the next two years?
- How can we maintain regional communication and knowledge exchange in the near future?

Next steps (from Tajikistan):

- Establishing inter-agency working group
- Develop multi-year action plan
- Involve development partners for implementing action plan
- Start to work on NCA in forestry sector