

# Break-out session on Energy-Water-Climate Interlinkages

## Main points arising from the discussion

1. Need for a reliable energy production systems = a prerequisite to meet the development needs of SEE countries
2. An important issue raised were water losses (up to 75%) = important challenge in the SEE region, improving water and energy efficiency would be a win-win approach
3. It was acknowledged that awareness of the energy-water-climate interlinkages and respective footprints must be further increased
4. Need to further assess and evaluate the effects of extreme/ seasonal precipitation on the water and energy sectors
5. Need to shift to diversified, less water-consuming energy production patterns – incl. solar and wind – which is plentiful in the region
6. Needs for enhanced cross-sectoral and transboundary cooperation on water and energy to be addressed by decision-makers