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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT. APPLICATION TO THE PRUT RIVER BASIN

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## **Abstract**

Sustainable development is nowadays more than a future objective; it is also a management process. Therefore it is important to be able to assess changes in those aspects of sustainable development, which are found important. This type of assessments relies, among others, on the use of sustainable development indicators. One of the objectives of this paper is to present the application of sustainable development indicators and their possible use in the sustainable development process. Based on a general indicator framework developed and used in the Fraser River Basin (Canada) this paper will assess the opportunities of applying the sustainable development indicators at the Prut River Basins, discussing as well the limitations of the effective usage in the Romanian context.

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