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A large, dynamic splash of blue water dominates the background, with water droplets and bubbles scattered throughout. The splash is captured in mid-air, creating a sense of movement and freshness.

Water allocation in transboundary basins

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Global workshop on water allocation in transboundary basins, 16-17 October 2017

- **More than 120 participants**, representing governments, river basin organizations, specialized agencies, IGOs, NGOs, academia
- **Contributed to increasing understanding and potential for application of criteria, mechanisms, tools and good practices** for water allocation in transboundary basins and aquifers
- **Experience was shared about existing water allocation arrangements and important considerations**, such as benefits-sharing, stakeholder participation, ensuring minimum/ environmental flows; and joint infrastructure investments and climate change as driving forces for agreeing on water allocation
- Material available at: <http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=43623>



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Proposed future work - PA 3.3 : Supporting equitable and sustainable water allocation in the transboundary context

3.3.1 Development of a manual on water allocation in the transboundary context

- A manual based on existing practices on equitable and sustainable transboundary allocation (surface waters and groundwaters) and environmental flows.
- A global review of transboundary water allocation arrangements A publication to include references to relevant tools and information resources and examples of:
 - the prerequisites (e.g., institutional framework, data sharing);
 - options and approaches (technical and legal);
 - relevant considerations in designing a process; and
 - the benefits that can be drawn from agreeing on water allocation.
- A drafting group.

3.3.2 Organization of regional workshops on water allocation

- Two regional workshops on water allocation will be organized.



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