



Workshop
“Managing water information in Central Asia”
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Venue: Hotel Kazzhol, Almaty

Co-chairs: Alexander Nikolayenko, GIZ and Bo Libert, UNECE	
9.00 – 9.30	Registration
9.30 – 9.40	Opening session Bo Libert, UNECE - Introduction: Background and objectives of the workshop
09.40 - 11.00	<p>Session 1: On-going and planned information projects</p> <p>Paul Haener, International Office for Water - French project on transboundary basin data management</p> <p>Kurbangeldy Ballyev, EC IFAS – Information management and ASBP-3</p> <p>Laurent Guye, SDC - Future engagement of SDC in the information sector</p> <p>Iskandar Abdullaev, GIZ - Data Management for IWRM activities of TWMCA programme</p> <p>Reinhard Bodemeyer, GIZ - CACILM</p> <p>Nickolai Denisov, Viktor Novikov, Zoi Environmental Network - Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS): Europe's new approach to environmental information</p> <p>Daryl Fields, WB – The World Bank approach</p> <p>Oleg Ryaskov, USAID – RESET Regional Information System</p> <p>Svetlana Shivareva, RCH – Regional information activities of RCH</p> <p>Iskander Beglov, SIC-ICWC – CAREWIB</p>

	<p>Jusipbek Kazbekov, IWMI – Water user associations information needs</p> <p>Statements of Central Asian country representatives</p> <p><i>The focus of the maximum 10-minutes presentations should be: How does the project contribute to 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the general discussion below.</i></p>
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee-break
11.30 - 13.30	Session 1 continued.
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch
14.30 - 17.00	<p>Session 2: Improving information and data management</p> <p>Nickolai Denisov, Zoi and Bo Libert, UNECE - Stronger supply, clever demand: a vision for water and environmental information in Central Asia</p> <p>Discussion on how to develop and facilitate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Technical capacity in Central Asia to produce reliable data, 2. Capacity to manage data and information as well as modelling, 3. Political willingness to share data and information (inter-agency, inter-state, international), 4. Analysis of data needs and uses in practice (for what? what is the feedback? and how may demand for information change in the future?) <p>Meeting conclusions</p>
17.30	Reception