



## **Inception and capacity building workshop for the project “Strengthening trans-boundary water governance and cooperation in the IGAD region”**

Nairobi, Kenya, 14– 16 December 2016  
*Draft Agenda*

### ***Background***

This workshop is organized under the framework of the project “Strengthening Transboundary Water Governance in the IGAD Region,” for its inception and for delivery of capacity building. It convenes members of IGAD’s Technical Advisory Committee on Water along with IGAD Secretariat, project partners (listed below) and regional and international experts and partners. For more information on the Project, please refer to the attached note summarizing its objectives and activities.

### ***Objectives of the workshop***

The specific objectives are fourfold:

- Launching of the project “Strengthening Transboundary Water Governance in the IGAD Region”
- Identification of the demonstration basin for promoting transboundary water cooperation and carrying out a Benefit Opportunities Assessment Dialogue
- Capacity building on benefit opportunities assessments and benefit sharing
- Agreement on a timeline for next steps of the project.

### ***Partners***

IGAD Secretariat, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), U.S. Department of State Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES). This project is also carried out in synergy with activities funded by the Swiss Agency for Cooperation (SDC): *Building River Dialogue and Governance (BRIDGE)* implemented by IUCN, and *Support to transboundary water cooperation on the basis of the UNECE Water Convention* implemented by UNECE.

Day 1 – Wednesday 14 December 2016	
8:30-9:00	Registration of participants
<b>Inception of the project “Strengthening trans-boundary water governance and cooperation in the IGAD region”</b>	
9:00-9:30	<p><b>Session 1. Workshop opening</b>  <i>Chair: IGAD Secretariat</i></p> <p>Welcoming remarks by:  <i>John Owino, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</i>  <i>Sonja Koepfel, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)</i>  <i>Kathryn Pharr, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES) of the US Department of State,</i>  <i>Manfred Kauffman, Swiss Development Corporation (SDC)</i>  <i>Fred Mwango, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) secretariat</i></p> <p>Opening remarks by:  Daher Elmi/ Fred Mwango, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)  <i>Chief Guest, host country</i></p> <p>Objectives and agenda:  <i>Isabelle Fauconnier, IUCN Global Water Programme</i></p> <p>Round of introductions</p>
9:30-10:45	<p><b>Session 2. Introduction to the project</b>  <i>Fred Mwango, IGAD Secretariat and John Owino, IUCN</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation</li> <li>• Discussions</li> </ul>
10:45-11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:15-12:30	<p><b>Session 3. Overview of approaches to assessing benefit enhancement opportunities</b>  <i>Chair: TAC Uganda</i></p> <p>Introduction to Policy Guidance Note on Identifying, Assessing and Communicating the Benefits of Transboundary Water Cooperation  <i>Harry Liiv, Ministry of Environment, Estonia</i></p> <p>Benefit assessment in the Okavongo-Cubango basin: experience and lessons learnt  <i>Sekgowa Motsumi, The Permanent Okavango River Basin Water Commission</i></p> <p>Roadmap to benefit sharing and value of Benefit Opportunities Assessment Dialogue  <i>Isabelle Fauconnier, IUCN Global Water Programme</i></p> <p>Discussions</p>
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30-14:45	<p><b>Session 4. Presentation of the demonstration transboundary basin for benefit opportunity assessment dialogue</b>  <i>Chair: TAC Ethiopia</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of selection process  <i>Fred Mwango, IGAD Secretariat and John Owino, IUCN</i></li> <li>• Presentation of the demonstration basin SMM by Kenya and Uganda (Gladys Wekesa and Dr. Callist Tindimugaya)</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>

Capacity building on opportunities for enhanced benefits of transboundary water cooperation	
14:45-16:00	<p><b>Session 5. Identification of past and current benefits</b>  <i>Facilitator: Roberto Martin Hurtado, UNECE consultant</i></p> <p>Introduction of the typology of potential benefits of trans boundary water cooperation            Example of benefits identified in trans boundary basins: experiences from different regions</p> <p>Group exercise: What have been the main benefits for each riparian country from use of water in the basin. What has been the importance of those benefits? What are the potential benefits of strengthened cooperation?</p> <p>Group reporting and plenary discussion</p>
16:00-16:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:30-17:30	<p><b>Session 6. Stakeholder and beneficiary mapping</b>  <i>Isabelle Fauconnier, IUCN Global Water Programme</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation</li> <li>• Group work</li> <li>• Group reporting and plenary discussion</li> </ul> <p>Introduction of materials for Day 2 morning session</p>

Day 2 – Thursday, 15 December 2016	
9:00-12:30	<p><b>Session 7. Opportunities for enhancing benefits and qualitative assessment of benefit-enhancing scenarios</b>  <i>Facilitators: Isabelle Fauconnier, John Owino, and Juan Carlos Sanchez, IUCN</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation</li> <li>• Group work: Designing Alternative Water Management Scenarios for the Takong Basin</li> <li>• Group reporting and plenary discussion</li> </ul> <p>including coffee break</p>
12:30-13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30-15:00	<p><b>Session 8. Valuation in Benefit Sharing: Assessment, Distribution and Equity</b>  <i>Facilitator: Isabelle Fauconnier, IUCN Global Water Programme</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation</li> <li>• Interactive exercise</li> <li>• Plenary discussion</li> </ul>
15:00-15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30-16:30	<p><b>Session 9. Communicating the benefits of transboundary water cooperation</b>  <i>Facilitator: Roberto Martin Hurtado, UNECE consultant</i></p> <p>The importance of communicating transboundary water cooperation benefits: how to approach it? How to tackle different audiences?            Example of efforts to communicate benefits of cooperation in basins from different regions</p> <p>Facilitated interactive discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Why is communication important?</li> <li>- To whom should we communicate benefits?</li> <li>- How to communicate benefits?</li> </ul>

16:30-18:30	Extra session (for countries involved in the demonstration basin) <b>Planning the Benefit Opportunities Assessment Dialogue in the demonstration basin</b>
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Day 3 – Friday, 16 December 2016	
9:00-10:15	<p><b>Session 10. International water law: a framework to facilitate trans boundary water cooperation and benefit sharing</b> <i>Chair: TAC Sudan</i></p> <p>Evolution and principles of international water law <i>Juan Carlos Sanchez, IUCN Environmental Law Centre</i></p> <p>The two global Water Conventions <i>Sonja Koeppel, UNECE</i></p> <p>Activities and lessons learned under the Water Convention <i>Sonja Koeppel, UNECE</i></p> <p>Questions and discussion</p>
10:15-11:00	<p><b>Session 11. Legal and institutional aspects of benefit sharing</b> <i>Facilitator: Juan Carlos Sanchez, IUCN Environmental Law Centre</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The relationship between the principle of equitable and reasonable utilization and benefit sharing</li> <li>- Institutional capacity for benefit sharing</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Questions and discussion</li> </ul>
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30-13:00	<p><b>Session 12. Treaty practice on benefit sharing</b> <i>Facilitator: Juan Carlos Sanchez, IUCN Environmental Law Centre</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group work: Analysis of selected agreements on benefit sharing</li> <li>• Group reporting and plenary discussion</li> </ul>
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
<b>Inception of the project “Strengthening trans-boundary water governance and cooperation in the IGAD region”</b>	
14:00-15:30	<p><b>Session 13. Next steps under the project</b> <i>Chair: TAC Uganda and moderator TBD?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on the plans for the demonstration basin</li> <li>• Presentation on next steps for the project and comments</li> <li>• Discussion on implications for Regional Cooperation</li> </ul>
15:30-16:00	<p><b>Session 14. Workshop conclusions and closing</b></p> <p><b>Synthesis remarks:</b> <i>Isabelle Fauconnier, IUCN and Sonja Koeppel, UNECE</i> <b>Closing remarks :</b> <i>Kathryn Pharr, OES; IGAD Secretariat; Host country</i></p>