



Initiative Équipe Europe GESTION DES EAUX TRANSFRONTALIÈRES EN AFRIQUE

Un appui au développement et à l'intégration régionale

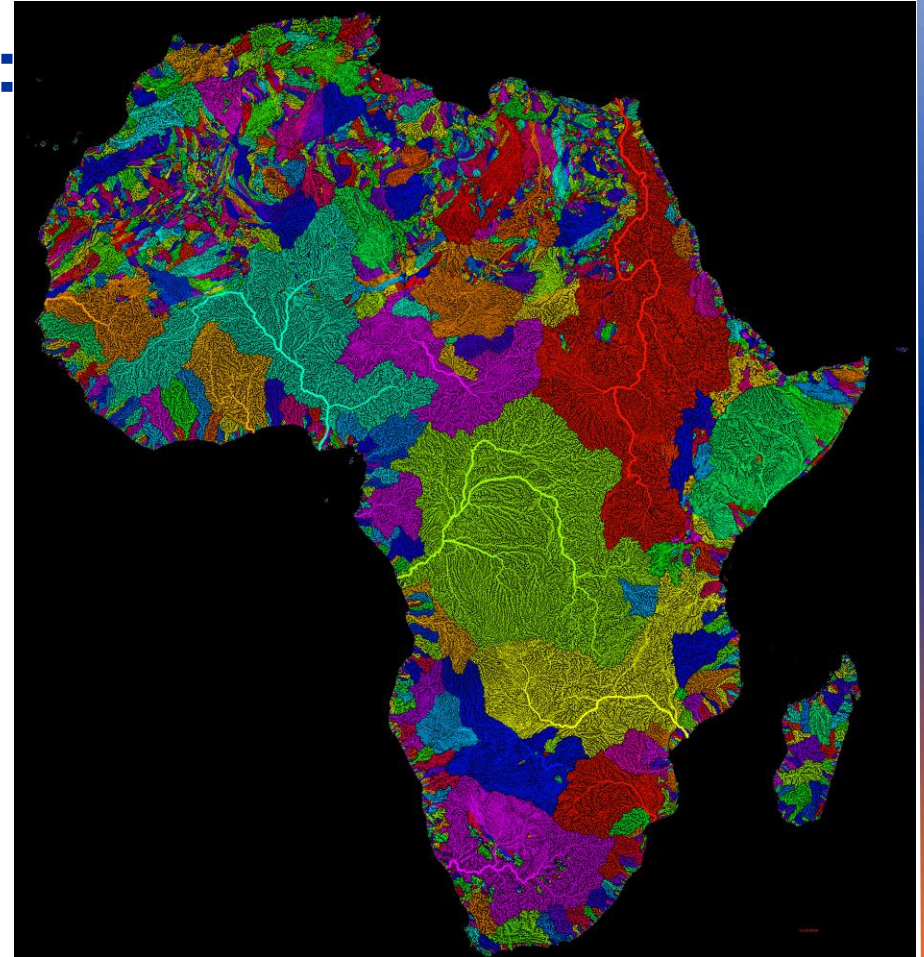
Présentation de l'initiative dans le contexte
global d'appuis





TRANSBOUNDARY WATERS: A KEY ASSET IN AFRICA

- **Transboundary rivers, lakes and aquifers are vital for : drinking water, biodiversity, energy, agriculture, industry, fishing, waterway transport...**
- **Large-scale development projects may significantly affect water availability downstream**
- **Upstream water conservation is important to protect the entire system**



Background: EU perspective

Policy direction

- Council conclusions: Water Diplomacy (2018); Water in EU External Action (2021)
- Opening of the Water Convention for its globalisation
- EU Green Deal included in the new programming

Experience and relationships

- EU internal experience with the WFD
- Extensive EU and MS engagement in transboundary basins in Africa

MS initiative

- FR, DE, AT, BE, SE, DK, CZ, SI, EIB and JRC

EU & MS support in African basins



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Background: Africa perspective

Africa-owned agenda

- Water security concept in African Union (AU), Green Recovery Action Plan
- Positive momentum on Water Convention (Helsinki/ UNECE)
- Transboundary water management enhances pan-African & regional agendas

Existing institutions and partners

- Pan-African entities (AU inc. AMCOW, NEPAD, ANBO), Regional Economic Communities
- Transboundary Basin Authorities, with different needs

An aerial photograph showing a wide, winding river that meanders through a vast, flat landscape. The river is a deep blue color, contrasting with the green and brownish-yellow vegetation on the banks. The terrain is mostly flat with some scattered trees and small structures in the distance. The sky is a clear, light blue, suggesting a bright, sunny day.

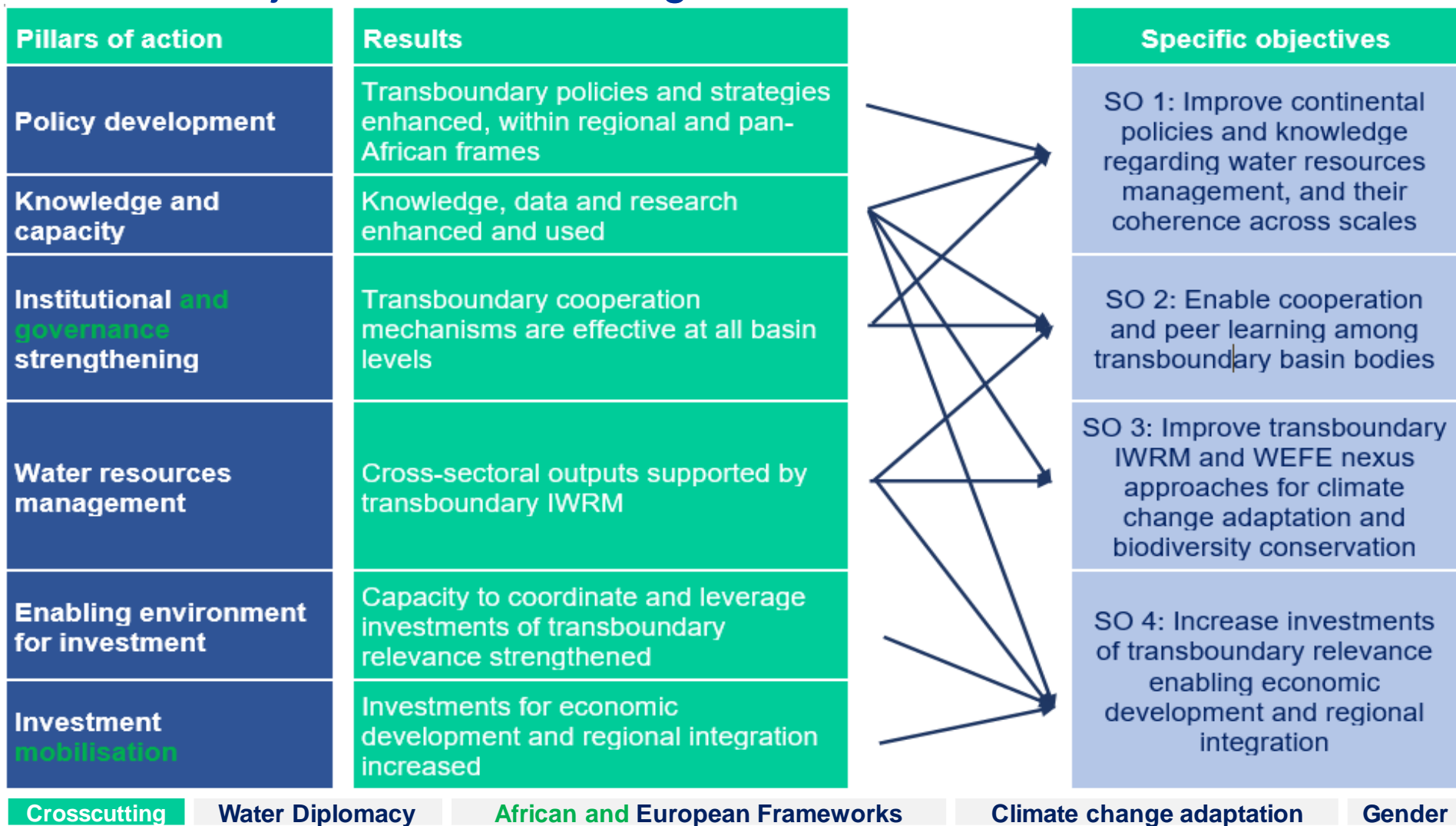
TEI main objective and scope

→ to enhance transboundary water management to support development and regional integration

Two layer programme:

- Continental level programme
- Sub-set of water basin programmes

Indicative joint intervention logic



Crosscutting

Water Diplomacy

African and European Frameworks

Climate change adaptation

Gender



Team Europe Initiative – added value

De-risking

Institution
building

Joint logic of
intervention and
monitoring

Learning and
knowledge
sharing

Exchange
information,
formulate joint
actions

Improved
visibility

Continental level
policy dialogue
reinforced



COORDINATION MECHANISM

*Policy dialogue
Knowledge
management
Board meetings*

TWM Advisory Board
secretariat by AMCOW (tbc)

**Transboundary Water Management
Advisory Board**

AUC, AMCOW, ANBO, EU, MS (AF+EU), CSOs

**TEI EU joint
committee**

EC, EU MS

Secretariat

*Coordination
Policy dialogue
Communication
Knowledge exchange*

**EU Continental
Programme**

Steering committee

*Feedback mechanism
Information exchange
Reporting*

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TBOs

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AUDA-
NEPAD

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African
MS



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