



National Workshop

National workshop related to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes: Tanzania's accession process

1 & 2 December 2022

Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania

AGENDA

Day 1 – 1 December 2022

SESSION 1: INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW OF THE CONVENTIONS

National Anthem, East African Community Anthem and/or African Union Anthem

Opening session (9:30am – 10:30am)

Introduction of Participants: Dr. George Lugomela, Director of Water Resources, Ministry of Water, Tanzania

Remarks:

- Mr. Harry Liiv, Chair of the Bureau of the Water Convention (5 mins)
- Ms. Sonja Koepfel, Secretary of the Water Convention (5 mins)
- Mr. Manfredo Fanti, Ambassador of the European Union to Tanzania (3 mins)
- Ms. Shalini Bahuguna, Representative of UNICEF in Tanzania (3 mins)
- Hon. Maimuna Tarishi, Permanent Representative of Tanzania to United Nations-Geneva (3mins)
- Eng. Anthony Sanga, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Water (3 mins)
- Amb. Joseph Sokoine, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation (3mins)
- Hon. Mr. Innocent Bashungwa (MP), Minister of Defense and National Services (5mins)
- Hon. Dkt. Stergomena L. Tax (MP), Minister of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation (5mins)

Opening Remarks

- Hon. Mr. Jumaa Hamidu Aweso, Minister for Water, Tanzania (5 mins)

Setting the Scene

- *The role and relevance of the 1992 Water Convention: what is the Convention, its institutional framework and what are the potential benefits for Tanzania in accession and implementation? (12 mins)*

- Ms. Sonja Koeppel, Secretary to the Water Convention
- *Tanzania's transboundary waters, benefits and challenges for water cooperation: hydrology of the country, its transboundary waters and governance, including basin arrangements (12 mins)*
 - Mr. Robert K.M. Sunday, Assistant Director of Water Resources (Transboundary Waters), Ministry of Water, Tanzania

Chair / Facilitator: Eng. Mbogo Futakamba, Chair, National Water Board, Ministry for Water, Tanzania

Group Photo (30 mins) – Tea/Coffee break

Overview of the 1992 Water Convention and 1997 Watercourses Convention (11:00am-12:00pm)

- *Why 2 UN global Water Conventions? Key provisions, similarities, differences & complementarities for consideration by Tanzania (12 mins)*
 - Mr Komlan Sangbana, Legal Officer, Water Convention Secretariat
- *Activities and experience from the perspective of Estonia (12 mins)*
 - Mr. Harry Liiv, Special Envoy for Transboundary Waters, Ministry of Environment, Estonia and Chair of the Bureau to the Water Convention

Discussion (30 Mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Dr. George V. Lugomela, Director of Water Resources, Ministry of Water, Tanzania

SESSION 2: TANZANIA'S TRANSBOUNDARY WATER CONTEXT

Tanzania's basin and regional transboundary water management contexts and example of the Water Convention's role and relevance for Tanzania's transboundary cooperation (12:00pm– 1:00pm)

- *LAKE BASIN ORGANISATION PERSPECTIVE: the importance of transboundary agreements and institutions for effectively managing Tanzania's shared lakes (12 mins)*
 - Mr. Kahitira Masinde Bwire, Executive Secretary, Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC)
- *RIVER BASIN ORGANISATION PERSPECTIVE: the importance of transboundary agreements and institutions for effectively managing Tanzania's shared rivers (12 mins)*
 - Mr. Sylvester Matemu, Executive Director, Nile Basin Initiative (NBI)

Discussion (20 Mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Eng. Mbogo Futakamba, Chairman, National Water Board

Lunch Break (1:00pm – 2:00pm)

SESSION 3: CONVENTION PERSPECTIVES (REGIONAL, COUNTRY & BASIN) & PRACTICAL APPLICATION

The Water Convention: Country perspectives on value add and lessons learned (2:00-3:15pm)

- **AFRICAN PARTY PERSPECTIVE: The experience of Ghana: context of accession to both UN global water conventions, the value added for Ghana, and developing a road map to accede to the Water Convention (12 mins)**
 - Ms. Bernadette Adjei, Director, Legal and Monitoring Department, Water Resources Commission, Ghana
- **EAST AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE: Uganda's engagement with the Water Convention and current accession process: rationale for acceding, value add and lessons learned so far (12 mins)**
 - Mr. Callist Tindimugaya, Commissioner for Water Resources Planning and Regulation, Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda
- **SOUTHERN AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE (remotely): Namibia's engagement with the Water Convention and current accession process: rationale for acceding, value add and lessons learned so far (12 mins) - remotely**
 - Ms. Maria Amakali, Director: Directorate of Water Resource Management, Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform, Namibia

Panel Discussion Q&A (40 Mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Mr. Simon Nkanyemka, Director of Legal Services, Ministry of Water, Tanzania

Coffee / Tea Break (3:15-3:30pm)

The Water Convention: Basin organisation perspectives on value add and lessons learned (3:30-4:30pm)

- **BASIN ORGANISATION PERSPECTIVE (remotely): Relationship between the Convention and Tanzania's Transboundary Basin Governance Arrangements: Example of the ZAMCOM Agreement and Institution (12 mins) - remotely**
 - Mr. Felix Ngamlagosi, Executive Secretary, Zambezi Watercourse Commission (ZAMCOM)

Panel Discussion Q&A (30 Mins)

- Mr. Sylvester Matemba, Executive Director, NBI
- GWP East Africa
- IUCN

Chair / Facilitator: Dr. Kahitira Masinde Bwire, Executive Secretary, LVBC

SESSION 4: BENEFITS & CHALLENGES FOR TANZANIA IN BECOMING A WATER CONVENTION PARTY (1)

Key issues to address and milestones to cover in Tanzania becoming a party to the Convention (4:30-5:30 pm)

Group Work (60 mins)

Chair / Facilitators:

- *Eng. Abdillah Mataka, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*
- *Teddy Mwaijumba, Assistant Director Policy and Planning, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*
- *Anita Bigambo, Economist, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*

- *Rachel Magoti, Legal Officer, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*
- *Mr. Komlan Sangbana, Legal Officer, Water Convention Secretariat*

SESSION 5: WRAP UP

Close of Day 1 (5:30-5:40pm)

- *Conclusions from Day 1 and Outline of Agenda for Day 2 (10mins)*
 - *Dr. George V. Lugomela, Director of Water Resources, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*

End of Day 1: 5:40pm

Dinner reception (6-8pm)

Day 2 – 2 December 2022

Arrival/Registration (9:00am-9:30am)

SESSION 6: BENEFITS & CHALLENGES FOR TANZANIA IN ACCEDING TO THE WATER CONVENTION (2)

Key issues to address and milestones to cover in Tanzania's accession process (9:30-10:30am)

Plenary to discuss milestones and develop integrated road map (60 mins)

- Rapporteurs report back (10 mins each)
- Discussion (10 mins each)

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Tea/Coffee break (10.30 – 10.45am)

SESSION 7: DEVELOPING TANZANIA'S INTEGRATED ROAD MAP TO ACCESSION

Developing Tanzania's integrated road map to accession (10:45-12:00pm)

- *Joint Presentation - Legal requirements and key procedural milestones for Tanzania to accede to the Water Convention (15mins)*
 - Ministry of Water, Tanzania
 - The Office of Attorney General, Tanzania
 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation, Tanzania
- *COMPLETED ACCESSION PERSPECTIVE: The experience of Ghana: Sharing their road map to accession as well as key challenges and advice to share (12mins)*
 - Ms. Bernadette Adjei, Director, Legal and Monitoring Department, Water Resources Commission, Ghana
- *ONGOING ACCESSION PERSPECTIVE: The experience of Uganda: Sharing their road map to accession as well as key challenges and advice to share (12mins)*
 - Mr. Callist Tindimugaya, Commissioner for Water Resources Planning and Regulation, Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda

Discussion (30 mins)

- *Chair / Facilitator: Eng. Abdillah Mataka, Ministry of Water, Tanzania*

Lunch break (12:00 – 1:00pm)

SESSION 8: LOOKING FORWARD FROM ACCESSION TO IMPLEMENTATION

Showcasing the Water Convention's Programme of Work Areas / Events & Identifying Potential Support for Tanzania (1:00-2:15pm)

- *Sustainable Development Goal 6, SDG Indicator 6.5.2 and reporting, including linkages with global water processes such as COP27 and the UN Water Conference 2023 (10 mins)*
 - Ms. Sonja Koeppel, Secretary, Water Convention secretariat

- *Highlighting Estonia's lead activities under the Programme of Work 2022-24 (including IWRM and Benefits Assessment and upcoming events including Source to Sea Workshop) (10 mins)*
 - Mr. Harry Liiv, Special Envoy for Transboundary Waters, Ministry of Environment, Estonia and Chair of the Bureau to the Water Convention
- *Support for the Development of Transboundary River Agreements and Basin Institutions under the Water Convention, including practical guide on developing agreements (10 mins)*
 - Mr. Komlan Sangbana, Legal Officer, Water Convention Secretariat

Discussion (30 mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Dr. Victor Kongo, Executive Director, GWP, Tanzania

Tea/Coffee break (2:15 – 2.30pm)

SESSION 9: AGREEING THE ROAD MAP TO ACCESSION, NEXT STEPS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Plenary discussion on integrated road map and roles and responsibilities plus immediate next steps to take (2:30-3:15pm)

Sharing of the integrated Accession Roadmap and discussing the steps, milestones and responsibilities (20 Mins)

- Mr. Alex Tarimo, Assistant Director Policy and Planning, Ministry of Water, Tanzania
- Mr. Komlan Sangbana, Legal Officer, Water Convention Secretariat

Discussion (20 mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Dr. George Lugomela, Director of Water Resources, Ministry of Water, Tanzania

Remarks and Closing (3:15pm-3:30pm)

- Mr. Harry Liiv, Special Envoy for Transboundary Waters, Ministry of Environment, Estonia and Chair of the Bureau to the Water Convention (5 mins)
- Ms. Sonja Koepfel, Secretary of the Water Convention (5 mins)
- Eng. Anthony Sanga, Permanent Secretary, Ministry for Water, Tanzania (5 mins)

Chair / Facilitator: Hon. Maimuna Tarishi, Permanent Representative of Tanzania to United Nations, Tanzania

End of Day 2 / Workshop (3:30pm)