



## Sub-National Workshop in the Congo Basin – 13-14 September

**Zambia sub-national stakeholder workshop in the Congo Basin:  
Accession to the Water Convention and related transboundary water governance processes**

**VENUE: Mansa, Luapula Province, Zambia**

# **Zambia's Transboundary Cooperation Agreements, Institutions and Activities and their alignment with the Water Convention**

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# PRESENTATION OUTLINE

1. Background - International River Basins located in Zambia
2. Existing water related Cooperative Arrangements for Zambia
3. Benefits of Cooperative Arrangements
4. Conclusion
5. Video on Benefit Sharing in SADC based on cooperation

# 1. BACKGROUND - International River Basins located in Zambia

- Zambia is located in two Transboundary River Basins: Zambezi **and** Congo Basins



## 2. EXISTING WATER RELATED COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ZAMBIA

- Status on Transboundary Cooperation Agreements and Institutions

Level of Cooperation	Water Cooperative Arrangements	Energy - Water Cooperative Arrangements	Environment - Water Cooperative Arrangements
International Level			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Water Fowl Habitat, 1971;</li> <li>2. Convention on Biological Diversity, 1992;</li> <li>3. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, 1992;</li> <li>4. United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, 1994;</li> <li>5. Africa Convention on the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, 1968;</li> <li>6. Agreement on the Action Plan for the Environmentally Sound Management of the Common Zambezi River System, 1987.</li> </ol>
Regional Level (SADC region)	Revised SADC Protocol on Shared Watercourses, 2000		
Basin Level (Zambezi and Congo Basins)	Zambezi Watercourses (ZAMCOM) Agreement, 2004 CICOS Observer Status, 2022		
Sub - Basin Level (Catchments: Zambezi, Kafue, Luangwa, Luapula, Chambeshi and Tanganyika)		Zambezi River Authority (ZRA)	Lake Tanganyika Authority (LTA)

# 3. BENEFITS OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS



The Multi-stakeholder Dialogue provides a platform for the region to ensure that the implementation of the approach is aligned to the regional imperatives; and works towards delivering tangible benefits on the ground.

5-7 September 2022  
Maseru, Lesotho

Bolstering regional productive capacities for water, energy, food security and ecosystem resilience to achieve inclusive and sustainable industrial transformation



### 3. BENEFITS OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

- **6th Dialogue (2013)** was held in Lusaka, Zambia under the target theme - *Exploring the water, energy and food nexus for regional development.*
- **7th Dialogue (2015)** was held in Windhoek, Namibia under the theme - The central role of water in driving industrialization, with the realisation that water attains its true value when it has optimised contribution to other productive sectors of the various industrial value chains (e.g., energy and agro-food processing).

- **8th Dialogue (2017)** was held in Boksburg, South Africa under the target theme - Fostering regional value chains and job creation through the Water-Energy-Food Nexus approaches
- **9th Dialogue (2019)** was held in Johannesburg, South Africa under the theme - *Promoting the water-energy-food nexus approach and youth empowerment for sustainable development.*

- **The 10th Dialogue (2022)** held in Maseru, Lesotho **resulted into the Outcome Statement**
- **Examples of projects implemented by Partners in Zambia - AWARE Project**

# 3. BENEFITS OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

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- ⌚ **13 SADC Member States were in attendance. Staff were from Ministries responsible for Water, Energy and Agriculture.**
- ⌚ **NGOs, Academia, the Youths and Cooperating Partners were in attendance.**
- ⌚ **180 participants were in attendance.**

# Details on the AWARE Project Cont....



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## 4. Conclusion



- ④ UN Water Convention supports the SADC vision and the aspirations of Zambia in the attainment of **Social Economic Development using water resources**.
- ④ **Cooperative arrangements around water provide benefits for everyone to share**
- ④ Zambia intends to be a State Party to the UN Water Convention once stakeholders supports the process.
- ④ Should Zambia only be a party to one cooperative arrangement in the Congo Basin - **Lake Tanganyika Authority** ?

# **5. VIDEO ON BENEFIT SHARING IN SADC BASED ON COOPERATION**