

# Promoting and Benefiting from the Conventions

Training workshop  
“From practitioner to practitioner: how to use the two global Water Conventions to promote cooperation on the ground”

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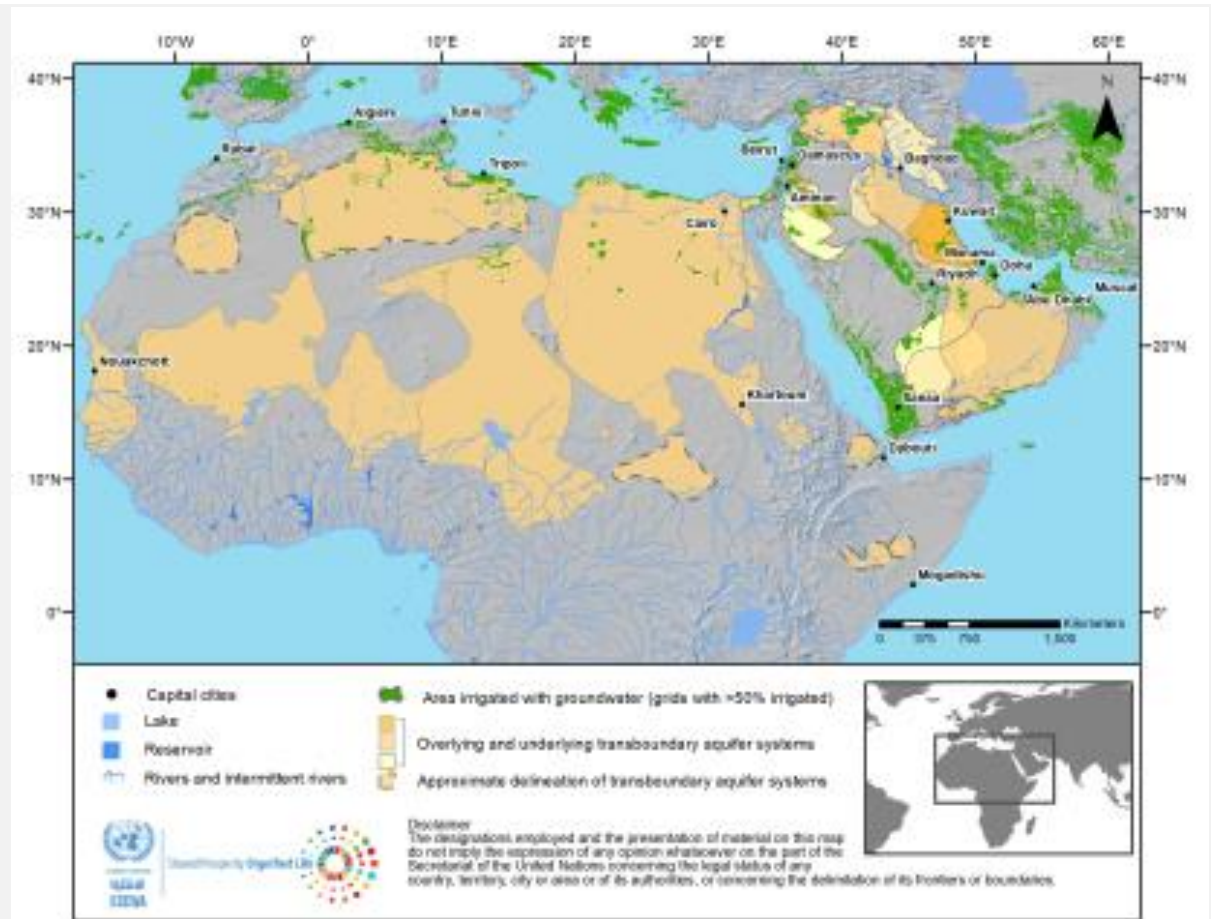
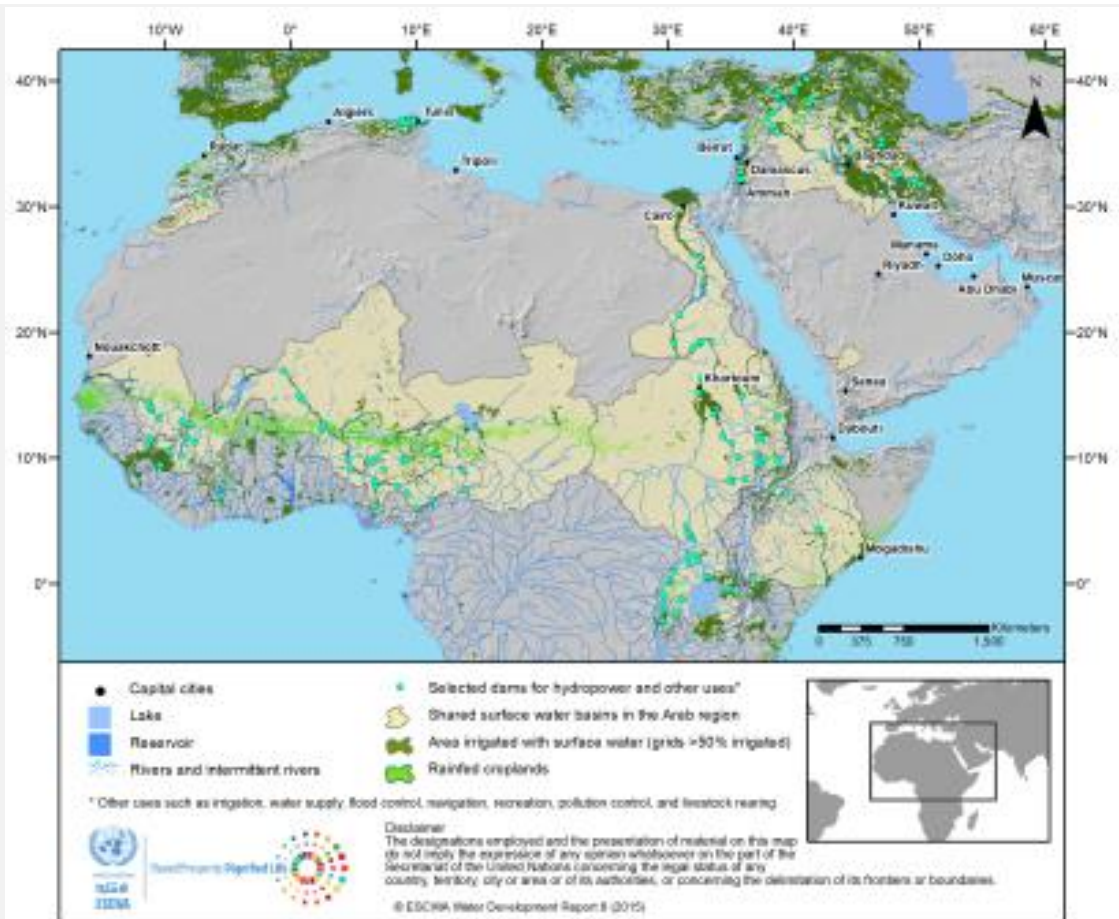
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# Transboundary water resources in the Arab region

In the Arab region, 21 countries, out of 22, share either transboundary river, lakes, or aquifers



# Approach to Promoting the 2 Global Conventions

Knowledge  
Products

Capacity  
development

National  
support

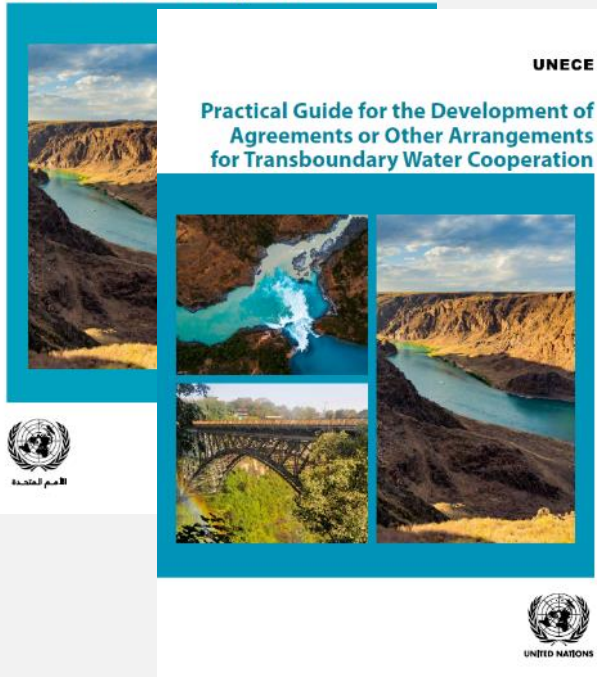
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**Multi-track approach**

# Knowledge Products

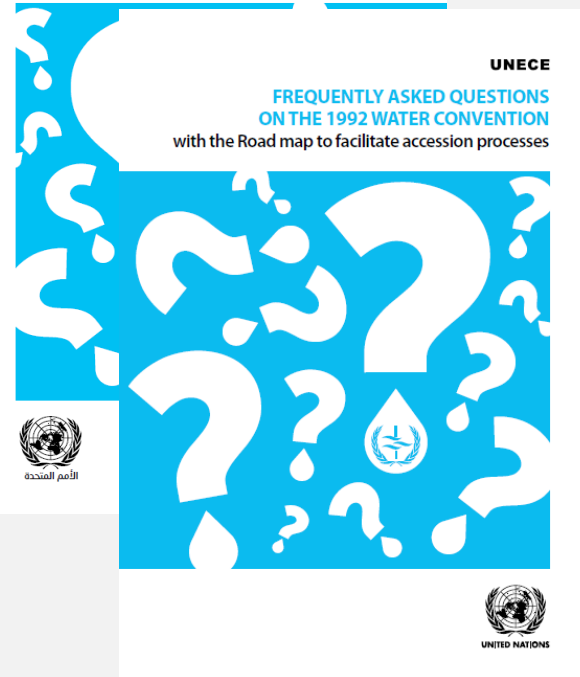
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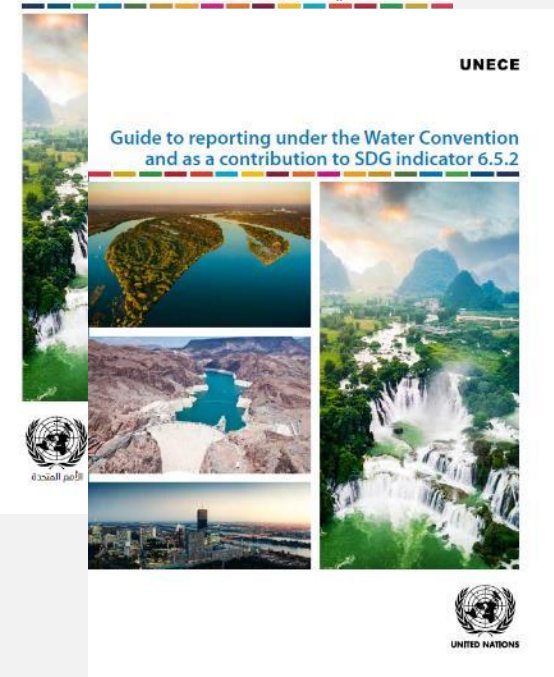
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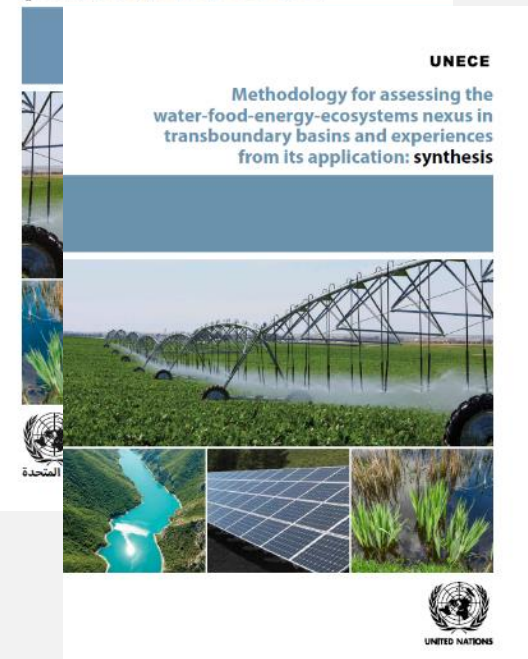
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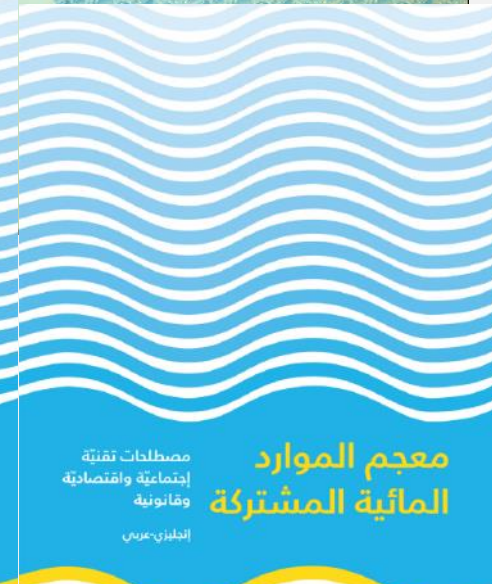
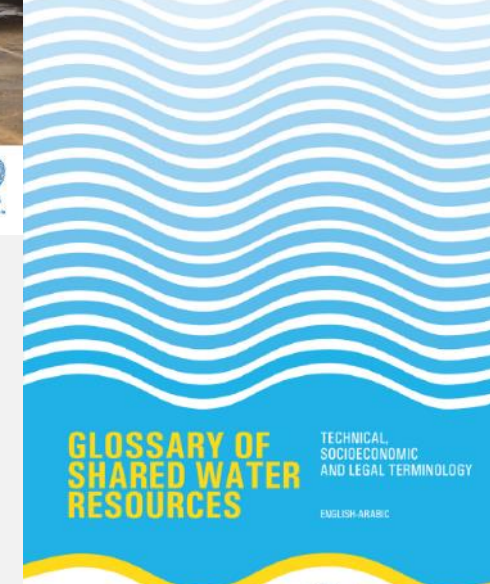
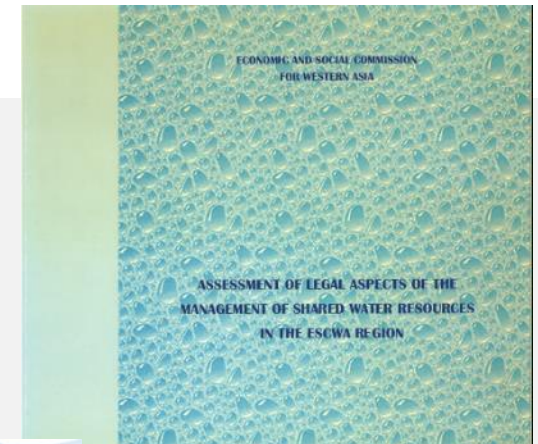
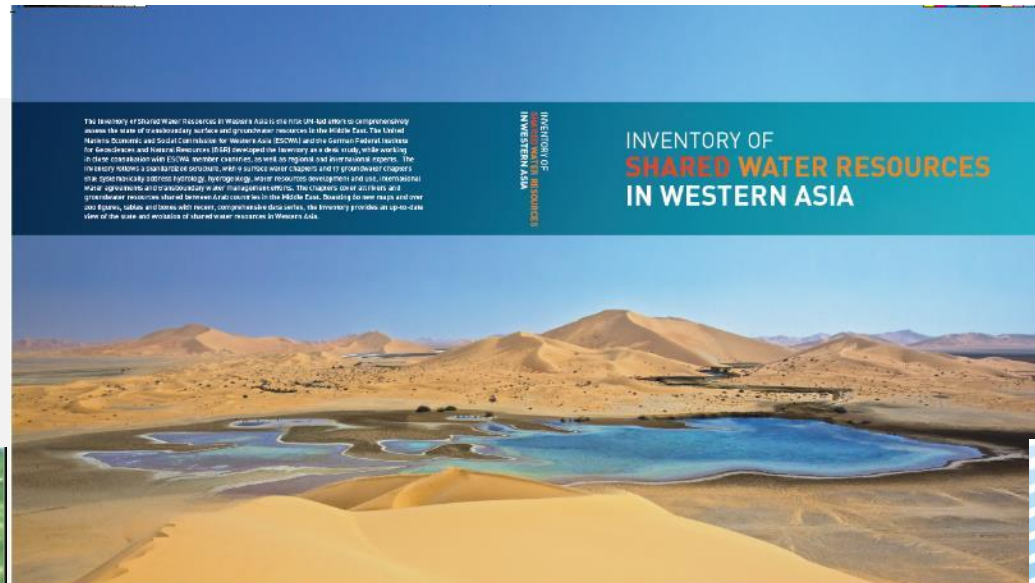
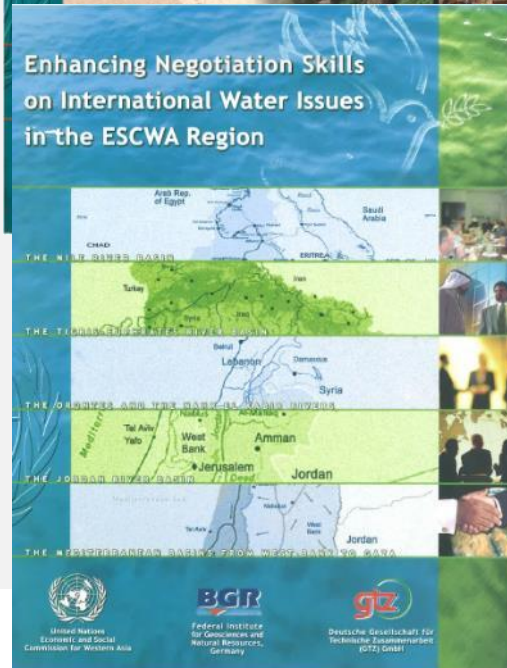
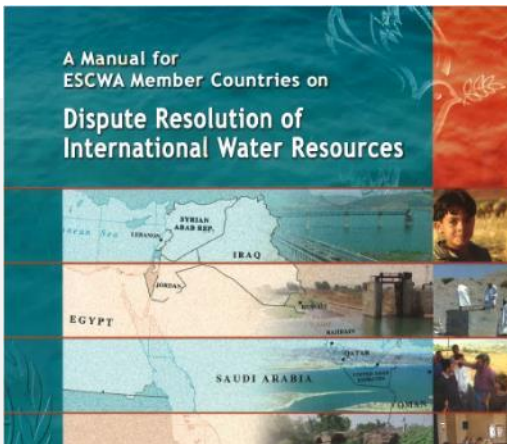
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المياه والغذاء والطاقة والنظم الإيكولوجية  
في الأحواض العابرة للحدود  
والخبرات المكتسبة من تطبيقها: تقرير تجميعي





# Knowledge Products



# Capacity Development

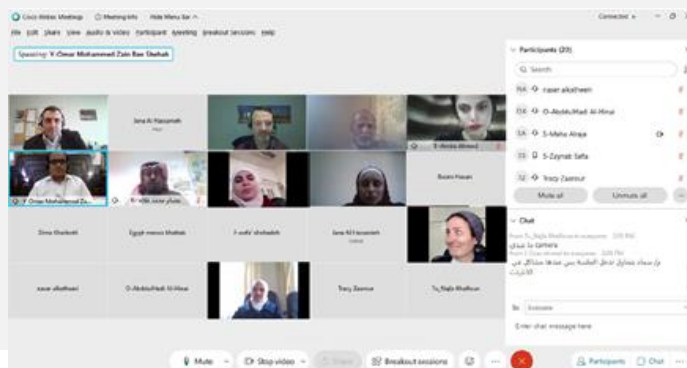
- Expert Group Meeting on Improving Shared Water Resources Cooperation within the Framework of Global and Regional Agreements. **Beirut, 6-7 December 2018**
- Workshop on Supporting the monitoring and implementation of the SDGs in the Arab region: Transboundary water cooperation SDG Indicator 6.5.2. **Beirut, 5 March 2020**
- Workshop on on Strengthening Legal and Institutional Arrangements for Transboundary Water Cooperation and Data and Information Exchange. **Beirut, 30-31 May 2023**





# Capacity Development

- Jordan River Dialogue. **Amman, April 2014**
- The Euphrates under Stress: towards tripartite cooperation for sound river management. **London, June 2014**
- Training on Building Negotiation Skills for Cooperation in Managing Transboundary Water



# National Support

- ESCWA Briefing Notes on the UN Water Convention:
  - Requested by the Ministry of Water and Irrigation of Jordan. 2015
  - Requested by the Ministry of Energy and Water of Lebanon. 2015
- National Workshops:
  - The UNECE Convention for the Protection and use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, Key Aspects and Opportunities for Iraq. Amman, January 2016.
  - The UNECE Convention for the Protection and use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, Key Aspects and Opportunities for Lebanon. Beirut, 2016.
  - Meeting of the Inter-ministerial Committee on the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes. Ministry of Water Resources, Baghdad, May 2023



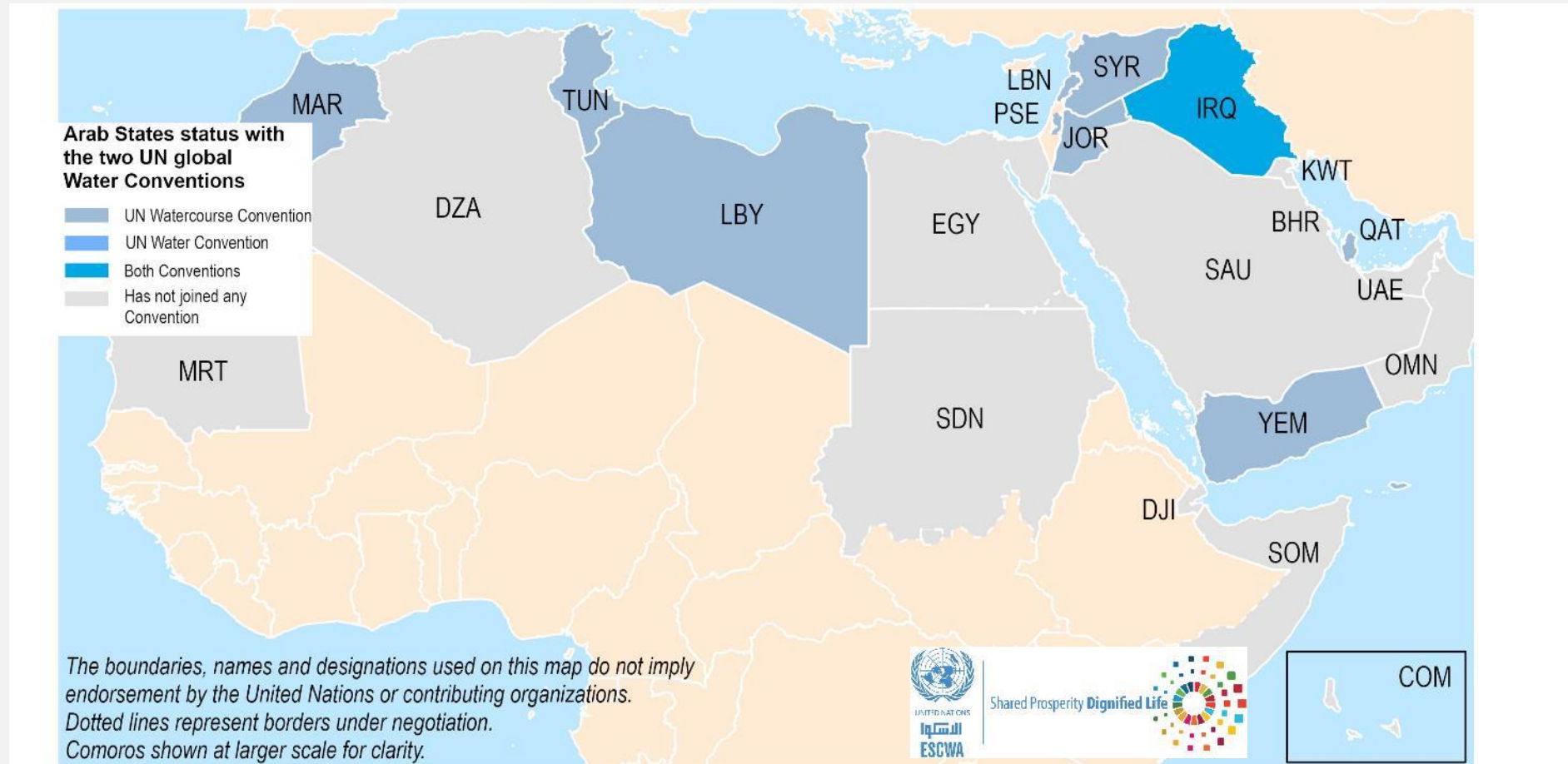


# Two Regional reports for SDG indicator 6.5.2 on Transboundary Cooperation in Arab States

- Completed in Cooperation with UNECE and UNESCO
- Focused on the need to accelerate progress for improving transboundary water cooperation in the Arab region.
- Helps to highlight the importance of cooperation and to address some of the data gaps.
- More Arab countries sharing transboundary basins submitted responses compared to 2017.
- Recommendation to benefit from global cooperation.

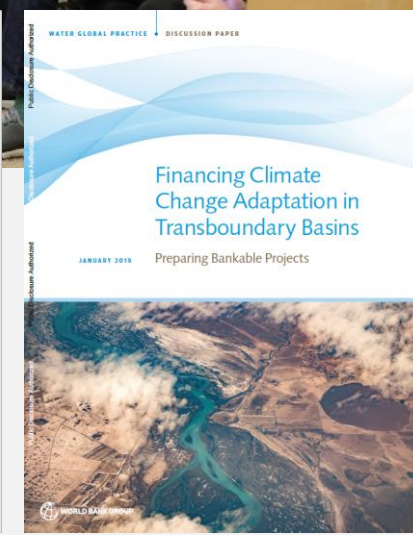
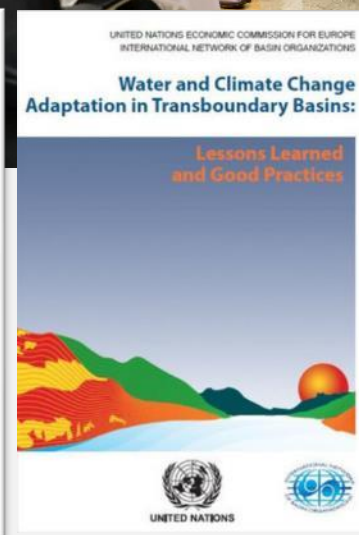
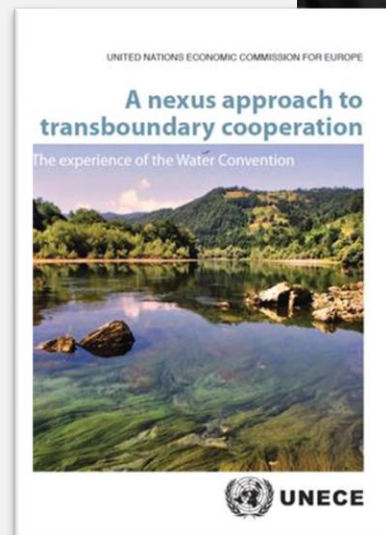


# Arab States status with the two United Nations Global Water Conventions



# Benefiting from Promoting the Conventions

- Promoting dialogue on transboundary cooperation
- Diverse knowledge products to support cooperation
- Capacity development
- Inter-regional knowledge exchange







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