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14:30 – 16:00 p.m.

Water Convention: Institutional framework



OUTCOME 1

Countries understand the Convention, accede to it, develop agreements and establish joint bodies for transboundary water cooperation

**Awareness & accession****Programme Area 1**

Increasing awareness of and accession to the Convention and application of its principles drawing on the benefits of cooperation

OUTCOME 4

Transboundary water cooperation and basin development are sustainably financed

**Financing****Programme Area 5**

Facilitating funding and financing of transboundary water cooperation and basin development

OUTCOME 2

Transboundary water resources in transboundary basins are monitored and assessed, and information is shared among riparian countries

**Monitoring & assessment****Programme Area 2**

Supporting monitoring, assessment and information sharing in transboundary basins

OUTCOME 5

Transboundary water cooperation is monitored and partners are mobilized to support it

**Reporting****Programme Area 6**

Reporting on Sustainable Development Goal indicator 6.5.2 and under the Convention

OUTCOME 3

Integrated water resources management is implemented at all levels in a changing climate

**Integrated & intersectoral approach****Programme Area 3**

Promoting an integrated and intersectoral approach to water management at all levels

**Climate change adaptation****Programme Area 4**

Adapting to climate change in transboundary basins

**Partnership & knowledge****Programme Area 7**

Partnerships, communication and knowledge management

The Water Convention Programme of Work 2022-2024

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Development of the 2025-2027 programme of work



A new programme of work under the Water Convention is adopted **every 3 years** by the Meeting of the Parties.

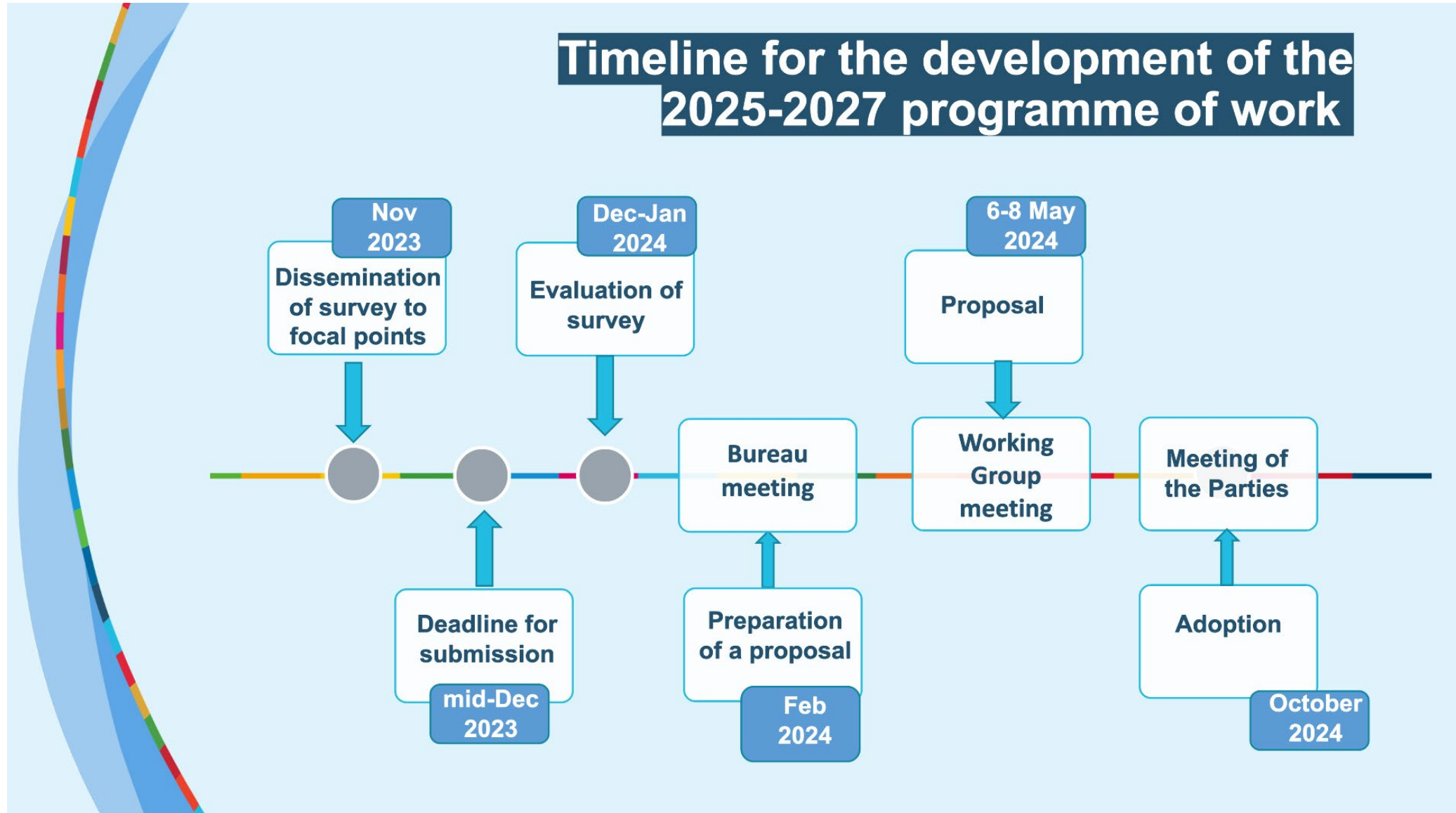


A survey was sent to all Parties and non-Parties aiming at supporting the development of the **2025-2027 programme** of work of the Water Convention.



Discussions on the future nexus activities start here today

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Interactive Group Discussion on the future nexus activities

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Discussion questions:

1. Future thematic focus of the Task Force:

- What themes should the Task Force be focusing on in the coming years?
- What specific activities on the water-food-energy-ecosystems nexus should be included in the next Programme of Work of the Water Convention (2025-2027)?

2. Future working modalities of the Task Force:

- How should the Task Force's working modalities be changed to stay agile and responsive to emerging challenges?