

DRAFT REVISED TEMPLATE FOR REPORTING UNDER THE WATER CONVENTION

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Background

In the course of 2017, the first reporting exercise on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicator 6.5.2 and under the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes (Water Convention) took place. The two reporting processes were carried out together in order to avoid duplication of requests and provide a more complete picture of cooperation. A reporting template was sent to all countries, both Parties and non-Parties to the Water Convention, and included a section on the calculation of indicator SDG6.5.2 and sections based on the reporting under the Water Convention.

In July 2017, and subsequently in October 2017, countries that had submitted a national report on SDG indicator 6.5.2 and on the implementation of the Water Convention were invited to provide comments on the process of reporting and the reporting template.

Comments on the template for reporting under the Water Convention were received both by Parties to the Convention and by non-Parties, in writing and during discussions at the 12th meeting of the Convention's Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management (Geneva, 5-6 July 2017). The Implementation Committee at its eight meeting (23-24 May, Haparanda, Sweden) discussed the template for reporting under the Water Convention and also made a number of proposals for its revision.

The present document contains a draft revised template for reporting under the Water Convention prepared by the UNECE secretariat based on the comments received by Parties, non-Parties and the Implementation Committee. The document also includes a number of proposals for revision from the secretariat with inputs from UNESCO, based on the lessons from the analysis of the reports submitted by Parties and non-Parties. All proposed changes are highlighted through the use of track changes.

All comments received in the process and some explanations of the corresponding proposed changes are found in the document entitled "Overview of comments received on the template for reporting under SDG indicator 6.5.2 and the Water Convention and how such comments have been reflected in the revised template" (Information document 4).

Many of the comments received highlighted that overall the template was balanced and appropriate. Moreover, the very high number of replies (more than 100 countries, both Parties and non-Parties to the Convention, filled in the template as of 16 December 2017), demonstrates that it is feasible and useful to report. As the first reporting exercise was demanding for countries, many called for limiting the number of modifications to the template to be able to build as much as possible on the first reporting for the future rounds.

The first reporting exercise also demonstrated the advantages for both Parties and non-Parties of coupling the reporting on SDG 6.5.2 and under the Water Convention, in terms of avoiding duplication of requests and outlining a more complete picture of cooperation. The questions included in this template will therefore be considered in a joint template prepared with UNESCO, the other co-custodian agency of SDG Indicator 6.5.2, with the aim of both substantiating the indicator calculation and outlining a more complete picture of cooperation.

However, the reports submitted and the comments received demonstrate that a number of questions are not clear and are prone to different interpretations. It appears that many questions of clarification or difficulties in completing the template might be addressed by providing additional guidance. The secretariat therefore proposes to develop a guide to completing the template. Such a guide for reporting under the Water Convention could include a glossary of terms used together with examples on how the different questions and sections might be completed; some of the explanatory text now included in the template could be moved to the guide for reporting. It is proposed that the Meeting of the Parties

entrusts the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management to prepare such a guide on time for the next reporting exercise.

The technical meeting is invited to discuss the draft revised template, review and amend it on the basis of the experience of countries in reporting, and entrust the secretariat to prepare the next version for discussion at the thirteenth meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management under the Water Convention, which will be held in Geneva on 29 and 30 May 2018. The template for reporting under the Convention will subsequently be submitted for adoption by the Meeting Parties to the Water Convention at its eighth session (10-12 October 2018, Astana, Kazakhstan). Elements of the decision on reporting under the Water Convention will be discussed at the technical meeting.

REPORTING UNDER THE WATER CONVENTION

Does your country have transboundary agreements or arrangements for the protection and/or management of transboundary waters (i.e., rivers, lakes or aquifers/groundwater), whether bilateral or, multilateral?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, list the bilateral and, multilateral and basin agreements or arrangements (listing for each of the countries concerned): [fill in]

II. Questions for each transboundary basin, sub-basin or group of basins, (river, lake or aquifer)

Please complete this second section for each transboundary basin (river or lake basin, or aquifer), sub-basin or for a group of basins or aquifers covered by the same agreement or arrangement and where conditions are similar.^a It might also be convenient to group basins or sub-basins for which your country's share is very small.^b In some instances, you may provide information on both a basin and one or more of its sub-basins, for example, where you have agreements^c or arrangements on both the basin and its sub-basin. You may coordinate your responses with other States with which your country shares the transboundary basin, sub-basin or group of basins or aquifer, or even prepare a joint report for shared basins. General information on transboundary water management at the national level should be provided in section III and not repeated here.

Please reproduce this whole section H with its questions for each transboundary basin, river, lake or aquifer, or group of basins basin, sub-basin or group of basins for which you will provide a reply.

Name of the transboundary basin, river, lake or aquifer, or group thereof sub-basin or group of basins: [fill in];

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List of the riparian States: [fill in]

Percentage of your country's territory within the basin, sub-basin or group of basins Country's share of the basin (percentage): [fill in]

01a. What are the main water uses within the basin, sub-basin or group of basins?:

Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transport (e.g., navigation)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Domestic uses, including drinking water supply	<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy: hydropower and other energy types	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fisheries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tourism	<input type="checkbox"/>

^a In principle, section 2 should be submitted for every transboundary basin, river, lake or aquifer, in the country, but States may decide to group basins in which their share is small or leave out basins in which their share is very minor, e.g., below 1 per cent.

^b In principle, section 2 should be submitted for every transboundary basin, river, lake or aquifer, in the country, but States may decide to group basins in which their share is small or leave out basins in which their share is very minor, e.g., below 1 per cent.

^c In section II, "agreement" covers all kinds of treaties, conventions and agreements ensuring cooperation in the field of transboundary waters. Section II can also be completed for other types of arrangements, such as memorandums of understanding.

Nature protection ☐

Other (please list): [fill in]

1. Is there one or more transboundary (bilateral or multilateral) agreement(s) or arrangement(s) on this basin, sub-basin or group of basins?

One or more agreements or arrangements exist and are in force ☐

Agreement or arrangement developed but not in force ☐

Agreement or arrangement developed, but not in force for all riparians ☐

Please insert the name of the ~~agreement or~~ agreement(s) or arrangement(s): [fill in]

Agreement or arrangement is under development ☐

No agreement or arrangement ☐

If there is no agreement or arrangement or it is not in force, please explain briefly why not and provide information on any plans to address the situation: [fill in]

If there is no agreement or arrangement and no joint body or mechanism for the transboundary ~~basin, river, lake or aquifer~~ basin, sub-basin or group of basins then jump to question 4; if there is no agreement or arrangement, but a joint body or mechanism then go to question 3.

Questions 2 and 3 to be completed for each bilateral or multilateral agreement or arrangement in force in the transboundary basin, ~~river, lake or aquifer or group of basins or sub-basins~~, sub-basin or group of basins

2. (a) Does this agreement or arrangement specify the ~~basin~~-area subject to cooperation?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, does it cover the entire basin, or group of basins, ~~or group of basins~~, and all riparian States?

Yes ☐/No ☐

~~If not, what does it cover?: [fill in]~~ Additional explanations? [fill in]

Or, if the agreement or arrangement relates to a sub-basin, does it cover the entire sub-basin?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If not, what does it cover?: [fill in]

Which States (including your own) are bound by the agreement or arrangement? (Please list): [fill in]

- (b) If the agreement or arrangement relates primarily to a river or lake basin or sub-basin, does it also cover ~~Are~~ aquifers (or groundwater bodies)? ~~covered by the agreement/arrangement?~~

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please list the aquifers covered by the agreement or arrangement: [fill in]

- (c) What is the sectoral scope of the agreement or arrangement?

All water uses ☐

A single water use or sector ☐

Several water uses or sectors ☐

If one or several water uses or sectors, please list (check as appropriate):

Water uses or sectors

Industry ☐

Agriculture ☐

Transport (e.g., navigation) ☐

Households ☐

Energy: hydropower and other energy types ☐

Tourism ☐

Nature protection ☐

Other (*please list*): [fill in]

(d) What topics or subjects of cooperation are included in the agreement or arrangement?

Procedural and institutional issues

Dispute and conflict prevention and resolution ☐

Institutional cooperation (joint bodies) ☐

Consultation on planned measures ☐

Mutual assistance ☐

Topics of cooperation

Joint vision and management objectives ☐

Joint significant water management issues ☐

Navigation ☐

Protection of human health ☐

Environmental protection (ecosystem) ☐

Water quality ☐

Water quantity or allocation ☐

Cooperation in addressing floods ☐

Cooperation in addressing droughts ☐

Climate change adaptation ☐

Monitoring and exchange

Joint assessments ☐

Data collection and exchange ☐

Joint monitoring ☐

Maintenance of joint pollution inventories ☐

Elaboration of joint water quality objectives ☐

Common early warning and alarm procedures ☐

Exchange of experience between riparian States ☐

Exchange of information on planned measures ☐

Joint planning and management

Development of joint regulations on specific topics ☐

Development of international or joint river, lake or aquifer basin management or action plans ☐

Management of shared infrastructure ☐

Development of shared infrastructure ☐

Other (*please list*): [fill in]

(e) What are the main difficulties and challenges that your country faces with the agreement or arrangement and its implementation, if any? ~~(please describe, if applicable):~~ [fill in]

Aligning implementation of agreement or arrangement with national laws, policies and programmes ☐

Aligning implementation of agreement or arrangement with regional laws, policies and programmes ☐

Lack of financial resources ☐

Insufficient human capacity ☐

Insufficient technical capacity ☐

Competing interests between parties ☐

No significant difficulties ☐

Other (*please describe*): [fill in]

(f) What are the main achievements in implementing the agreement or arrangement and what were the keys to achieving such success?: [fill in]

(g) Please attach a copy of the agreement or arrangement or provide the web address of the document (*please attach document or insert web address, if applicable*): [fill in]

3. Is your country a member of any ~~operational~~ joint body or mechanism ~~or joint bodies~~ for this ~~agreement~~ or arrangement?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If no, why not? (please explain): [fill in]

Where there is a joint body ~~(or bodies)~~ or mechanism

(a) If there is a joint body or mechanism, which kind of joint body or mechanism (*please tick one*)?

Plenipotentiaries ~~or expert group meetings~~ ☐

Bilateral commission ☐

Basin or similar commission ☐

Expert group meeting or meeting of National focal points ☐

Other (*please describe*): [fill in]

(b) Does the joint body or mechanism cover the entire transboundary basin, ~~or~~ sub-basin, ~~river, lake or aquifer~~, or group of basins ~~group of basins, and all riparian States?~~

Yes ☐/No ☐

If no, what does it cover?: [fill in]

(c) Which States (including your own) are members of the joint body or mechanism? (Please list): [fill in]

(...) Are there any riparian States that are not members of the joint body or mechanism? (please list): [Fill in]

(g)(...) If not all riparian States are members of the joint body or mechanism how does the joint body or mechanism cooperate with them?

No cooperation ☐

They have observer status ☐

Other (please describe): [fill in]

(d) Does the joint body or mechanism have any of the following features (please tick the ones applicable)?

A secretariat ☐

If the secretariat is a permanent one, is it a joint secretariat or does each country host its own secretariat? (Please describe): [fill in]

A subsidiary body or bodies ☐

Please list (e.g., working groups on specific topics): [fill in]

Other features (please list): [fill in]

(e) What are the tasks and activities of this joint body or mechanism?^d

Identification of pollution sources ☐

Data collection and exchange ☐

Joint monitoring ☐

Maintenance of joint pollution inventories ☐

Setting emission limits ☐

Elaboration of joint water quality objectives ☐

Management and prevention of flood or drought risks ☐

Preparedness for extreme events, e.g., common early warning and alarm procedures ☐

Surveillance, early warning and response to water related disease ☐

Water allocation and/or flow regulation ☐

Policy development ☐

Control of implementation ☐

Exchange of experience between riparian States ☐

Exchange of information on existing and planned

^d This may include tasks according to the agreement or tasks added by the joint body, or its subsidiaries. Both tasks which joint bodies coordinate and tasks which they implement should be included.

- uses of water and related installations ☐
- Settling of differences and conflicts ☐
- Consultations on planned measures ☐
- Exchange of information on best available technology ☐
- Participation in transboundary EIA ☐
- Development of river, lake or aquifer basin management or action plans ☐
- Management of shared infrastructure ☐
- Addressing hydromorphological alterations ☐
- Climate change adaptation ☐
- Joint communication strategy ☐
- Basin-wide or joint public participation and consultation of, for example, basin management plans ☐
- Joint resources to support transboundary cooperation ☐
- Capacity-building ☐
- Any other tasks (*please list*): [fill in]

(f) What are the main difficulties and challenges that your country faces with the operation of the joint body or mechanism, if any?

- Governance issues ☐
Please describe, if any: [fill in]
- Unexpected planning delays ☐
Please describe, if any: [fill in]
- Lack of resources ☐
Please describe, if true: [fill in]
- Lack of mechanism for implementing measures ☐
Please describe, if true: [fill in]
- Lack of effective measures ☐
Please describe, if true: [fill in]
- Unexpected extreme events ☐
Please describe, if any: [fill in]
- Lack of information and reliable forecasts ☐
Please describe, if any: [fill in]
- Others (*please list and describe, as appropriate*): [fill in]

~~(g) If not all riparian States are members of the joint body how does the body cooperate with them?~~

- ~~No cooperation~~ ☐
- ~~They have observer status~~ ☐
- ~~Other (*please describe*): [fill in]~~

(h) Does the joint body or mechanism, or its subsidiary bodies meet regularly?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, how frequently does it meet? [fill in]

More than once per year ☐

Once per year ☐

Less than once per year ☐

(i) What are the main achievements with regards to the joint body or mechanism? [fill in]

~~(j) Are representatives of international organizations invited to the meetings of the joint body (or bodies) as observers?~~

~~Yes ☐/No ☐~~

(k) Did the joint body or mechanism ever invite a non-riparian coastal State to cooperate?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please give details. If no, why not, e.g. are the relevant coastal States also riparian States and therefore already members of the joint body or mechanism? [fill in]

4. ~~Is there a joint objectives, a common strategy, a joint or coordinated management plan, (such as an or action plan or a common strategy been agreed) or have joint objectives been set specifically onfor the transboundary waters subject to cooperationbasin, sub-basin or group of basins?~~

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please provide further details: [fill in]

5. How is the transboundary basin, ~~river, lake or aquifer,~~ sub-basin or group of basins protected, including the protection of ecosystems, in the context of sustainable and rational water use?

Regulation of negative effects on the basin geomorphology and geology, e.g. regulation of urbanization, deforestation, sand and gravel extraction. ☐

~~EE~~Environmental flow norms, including consideration of levels and seasonality ☐

Water quality protection, e.g. nitrates, pesticides, faecal coliforms, heavy metals ☐

Species and habitats protection ☐

~~Afforestation~~ ☐

~~Restoration of ecosystems~~ ☐

~~Groundwater measures (e.g., protection zones)~~ ☐

Other measures (*please listdescribe*): [fill in]

6. (a) Does your country exchange information and data with other riparian States in the basin, sub-basin or group of basins?

Yes ☐/No ☐

(b) If yes, on what subjects are information and data exchanged?

Environmental conditions ☐

More than once per year ☐

Once per year ☐

Less than once per year ☐

Research activities and application of best available techniques	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emission monitoring data	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planned measures taken to prevent, control or reduce transboundary impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Point source pollution sources	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diffuse pollution sources	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Existing hydromorphological alterations (dams, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discharges	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water abstractions	<input type="checkbox"/>
More than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than once per year	<input type="checkbox"/>

Future planned measures with transboundary impacts, such as infrastructure development

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More than once per year ☐

Once per year ☐

Less than once per year ☐

Other subjects (*please list*): [fill in]

More than once per year ☐

Once per year ☐

Less than once per year ☐

Other comments, e.g. spatial coverage of data and information exchange: [fill in]

(c) Is there a shared database or information platform?

Yes ☐/No ☐

(d) Is the database publicly available?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please provide the web address: [fill in]

(e) What are the main difficulties and challenges to data exchange, if applicable?
(*please describe*): [fill in]

Frequency and timing of exchanges ☐

Timing of exchanges ☐

Comparability of data and information ☐

Limited spatial coverage ☐

Inadequate resources (technical and/or financial) ☐

Other (*please describe*): [fill in]

Additional comments: [fill in]

(f) What are the main benefits of data exchange on the ~~transboundary waters~~
~~subject to cooperation~~ basin, sub-basin or group of basins? (*please describe*): [fill in]

7. Do the riparian States carry out joint monitoring in the transboundary basin, ~~sub-basin~~
~~or group of basins~~ river, lake or aquifer?

Yes ☐/No ☐

(a) If yes, what does the joint monitoring cover?

	Covered?	Hydrological	Ecological	Chemical
Border surface waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Surface waters in the entire basin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Surface waters on the main watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connected-Transboundary aquifer(s) (or groundwaters)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

~~Unconnected aquifers (or groundwaters)~~ Aquifer(s) connected to a transboundary river

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(b) If joint monitoring is carried out, how is this done?

National monitoring stations connected through a network or common stations

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Please describe, if appropriate: [fill in]

Joint and agreed methodologies

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Please describe, if appropriate: [fill in]

Joint sampling

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Please describe, if appropriate: [fill in]

Common monitoring network

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Please describe, if appropriate: [fill in]

Common agreed parameters

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Please describe, if appropriate: [fill in]

(c) Please describe the main achievements regarding joint monitoring, if any: [fill in]

(d) Please describe any difficulties experienced with joint monitoring: [fill in]

8. Do the riparian States carry out joint assessment of the transboundary basin, ~~river, lake or aquifer?~~ sub-basin or group of basins?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please provide the date of the last or only assessment, the frequency and scope (e.g., surface waters or groundwaters only, pollution sources, etc.) of the assessment, and assessment methodology applied: [fill in]

9. Have the riparian States agreed to use joint water quality standards?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, is the basis an international or regional standard (please specify which) or has it been adapted from the national standards of the riparian States? what standards have been applied, e.g. international or regional standards (please specify which), or have national standards of the riparian States been applied?: [fill in]

10. What are the measures implemented to prevent or limit the transboundary impact of accidental pollution?

Notification and communication

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Coordinated or joint alarm system for accidental water pollution

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Other (please list): [fill in]

No measures

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If not, why not? What difficulties does your country face in putting in place such measures?: [fill in]

11. What are the measures implemented to prevent or limit the transboundary impact of extreme weather events?

Notification and communication

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- Coordinated or joint alarm system for floods ☐
- Coordinated or joint alarm system for droughts ☐
- Joint climate change adaptation strategy ☐
- Joint disaster risk reduction strategy ☐
- Other (*please list*): [fill in] ☐
- No measures ☐

If not, why not? What difficulties does your country face in putting in place such measures?: [fill in]

12. Are procedures in place for mutual assistance in case of a critical situation?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please provide a brief summary: [fill in]

13. Are the public or relevant stakeholders involved in transboundary water management in the ~~basin, river, lake or aquifer~~ basin, sub-basin or group of basins?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, how? (please tick all applicable) (Please note: If your country is a Party to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention), you may refer to your country's report under that Convention.):

☐ Stakeholders have observer status in a joint body or mechanism

If yes, please specify the stakeholders for ~~the each~~ joint body or mechanism: [fill in]

- Inter-governmental organisations ☐
- Non-governmental organisations ☐
- Private sectors organisations or associations ☐
- Water user groups or associations ☐
- Academic or research institutions ☐
- General public ☐
- Other (please specify): [fill in]

- Availability of information to the public ☐
- Consultation on planned measures or river basin management plans^e ☐
- Public involvement ☐
- Other (*please specify*): [fill in]

Please remember to complete section II for each of the transboundary basins, sub-basin or group of basins, rivers, lakes or aquifers. Please also remember to attach copies of agreements or arrangements, if any.

^e Or, where applicable, aquifer management plans.

III. Transboundary water management at the national level

In this ~~first~~ section, you are requested to provide general information on transboundary water management at the national level. Information on specific transboundary basins, ~~rivers, lakes or aquifers~~ sub-basins and groups of basins, ~~and agreements~~ should be presented in section II and not repeated here.

1. (a) Does your country's national legislation, policies, action plans and strategies refer to measures to prevent, control and reduce any transboundary impact?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, ~~list the main national legislation~~ please briefly describe the main national laws, policies, action plans and strategies [fill in]

~~(b) Do your country's national policies, action plans and strategies refer to measures to prevent, control and reduce any transboundary impact?~~

~~Yes ☐/No ☐~~

~~— If yes, list the main national policies, action plans and strategies: [fill in]~~

- (c) Does your country's legislation provide for the following principles?

Precautionary principle Yes ☐/No ☐

Polluter pays principle Yes ☐/No ☐

Sustainable development Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please briefly describe how these principles are implemented at the national level: [fill in]

- (d) Does your country have a national licensing or permitting system for wastewater discharges and other point source pollution ~~(e.g., in industry, mining, energy, municipal, wastewater management or other sectors)?~~

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, for which sectors?

Industry ☐

Mining ☐

Energy ☐

Municipal ☐

Land cultivation ☐

Animal husbandry ☐

Peat Production ☐

Aquaculture ☐

Other (please list): [fill in]

Please briefly describe the licensing or permitting system, indicating whether the system provides for setting emission limits based on best available technology?

If yes, for which sectors? (please list): [fill in]

If not, please explain why not (giving the most important reasons) or provide information if there are plans to introduce a licensing or permitting system: [fill in]

If your country has a licensing system, does the system provide for setting emission limits based on best available technology?

Yes ☐/No ☐

- (e) Are the authorized discharges monitored and controlled?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, how? (Please tick the ones applicable):

- Monitoring of discharges ☐
- Monitoring of physical and chemical impacts on water ☐
- Monitoring of ecological impacts on water ☐
- Conditions on permits ☐
- Inspectorate ☐

Other means (*please list*): [fill in]

If your country does not have a discharge monitoring system, please explain why not or provide information if there are plans to introduce a discharge monitoring system:
[fill in]

(f) What are the main measures which your country takes to reduce diffuse sources of water pollution on transboundary waters (*e.g., from agriculture, transport, forestry or aquaculture*)? *The measures listed below relate to agriculture, but other sectors may be more significant. Please be sure to include these under "others":*

Legislative measures

- Norm for uses of fertilizers ☐
- Norms for uses of manure ☐
- Bans on or norms for use of pesticides ☐
- Others (*please list*): [fill in]

Economic and financial measures

- Monetary incentives ☐
- Environmental taxes (such as fertilizer taxes) ☐
- Others (*please list*): [fill in]

Agricultural extension services ☐

Technical measures

Source control measures

- Crop rotation ☐
- Tillage control ☐
- Winter cover crops ☐
- Others (*please list*): [fill in]

Other measures

- Buffer/filter strips ☐
- Wetland reconstruction ☐
- Sedimentation traps ☐
- Chemical measures ☐
- Others (*please list*): [fill in]

Other types of measures ☐

If yes, please list: [fill in]

(g) What are the main measures which your country takes to enhance water efficiency?

Please tick as appropriate (not all might be relevant)

- A regulatory system regarding water abstraction ☐
- Monitoring and control of abstractions ☐
- Water rights are clearly defined ☐
- Water allocation priorities are listed ☐
- Water-saving technologies ☐
- Advanced irrigation techniques ☐
- Demand management activities ☐
- Other means (please list) ☐

(h) Does your country apply the ecosystems approach?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please describe how: [fill in]

(i) Does your country take specific measures to prevent the pollution of groundwaters?

Yes ☐/No ☐

If yes, please ~~list~~ briefly describe the most important measures: [fill in]

2. Does your ~~country~~ national laws require transboundary environmental impact assessment (EIA)?

Yes ☐/No ☐

~~Does your country have procedures for transboundary EIA?~~

~~Yes ☐/No ☐~~

If yes, please ~~make reference~~ briefly describe to the legislative basis ~~(please insert the name and section of the relevant laws)~~, and any related implementing procedures. (Please note: If your country is a Party to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, you may refer to your country's report under that Convention.): [fill in]

IV. Final questions

1. What are the main challenges your country faces in implementing the Convention and cooperating on transboundary waters? ~~(Please describe):~~ [fill in]

Differences between national administrative and legal frameworks ☐

Lack of relevant data and information ☐

Difficulties in data and information exchange ☐

Sectoral fragmentation at the national level ☐

Language barrier ☐

Resource constraints ☐

Environmental pressures, e.g. extreme events ☐

Sovereignty concerns ☐

Please list other challenges and/or provide further details: [fill in]

2. What have been the main achievements in implementing the Convention and cooperating on transboundary waters? ~~What were the keys to achieving that success?~~
~~(Please describe concrete examples):~~
[fill in]

Improved water management ☐

Enhanced regional integration, i.e. beyond water ☐

Adoption of cooperative arrangements ☐

Adoption of joint plans and programmes ☐

Long-lasting and sustained cooperation ☐

Financial support for joint activities ☐

Stronger political will for transboundary water cooperation ☐

Better knowledge and understanding ☐

Dispute avoidance ☐

Stakeholder engagement ☐

Please list other achievements, keys to achieving success, and/or provide concrete examples: [fill in]

3. Name and contact details of the person(s) who filled out the questionnaire *(please insert)*: [fill in]

Date: [fill in]

Signature: [fill in]

4. Please ~~indicate which institutions were consulted during the completion of the~~ include any additional information on the process of preparing the report (e.g., whether there was an exchange or consultation within the joint body or with riparian countries), in particular which institutions have been consulted (please describe): [fill in] ~~questionnaire:~~

Joint body or mechanism ☐

Other riparian or aquifer countries ☐

National water management authority ☐

Environment agency/ authority ☐

Basin authority (national) ☐

Local or provincial government ☐

Geological survey (national) ☐

Non-water specific ministries, e.g. foreign affairs, finance, forestry and energy

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Civil society organisations ☐

Water user associations ☐

Private sector ☐

Other (please list): [fill in]

Please briefly describe the process by which the questionnaire was completed: [fill in]

5. If you have any other comments please add them here (*insert comments*): [fill in]

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this report.
