

Reporting under the Convention

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1. Background

- ▶ Sixth Meeting of parties (2012) mandated the WG on IWRM to carry out an analysis on the need of reporting
 - ▶ A questionnaire was send to Parties in 2013 and the results were summarized to WG meeting in 2014
 - ▶ The results of the analysis were in favour of introducing a reporting mechanism
 - ▶ WG on IWRM reviewed the analysis and decided to establish a Core Group to develop a proposal for reporting
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2. Purposes of Reporting

- ▶ Provide information on the implementation of the provisions of the Convention (article-based approach)
- ▶ Accumulate lessons learned, good practices and experiences
- ▶ Identify emerging issues and difficulties
- ▶ Provide means to enhance basin-specific cooperation
- ▶ Support national implementation of the Convention
- ▶ Provide information to support the mobilization of resources
- ▶ Purpose is **not** to report the status of transboundary waters → 3rd assessment (see Item no ?? of the Agenda)

3. Introduction of the reporting by the Core Group – 1

- ▶ Core group has prepared a template for the reporting (taking into account constructive comments and suggestions from parties)

Structure of the template

- ▶ Consists of three Sections
 1. Transboundary water management at national level
 - National legislation
 - Economic and financial measures
 - Technical measures
 2. Questions for each basin (or a group of basins)
 - Status and content of agreements
 - Status and activities of joint bodies
 - Other questions concerning different articles of the Convention
 3. Final questions: general verbal comments + technical information
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3. Introduction of the reporting by the Core Group – 2

- ▶ Core group recommended to WG on IWRM:
 - A pilot exercise in 2016–2017
 - Analyse the possible needs for revisions
 - Allowing input to the preparation of the 3rd Comprehensive Assessment
 - Prepare a draft decision on reporting for the Meeting of Parties in 2018
 - Reporting frequency: every three years
- ▶ WG on IWRM endorsed the proposal and entrusted the Bureau to prepare a draft decision to the MoP

4. Draft decision by the Bureau

- ▶ The Bureau suggests the Meeting of Parties to decide:
 - To establish a regular reporting mechanism under the Convention
 - To start with a pilot reporting exercise in 2016–2017 to test the template
 - To encourage all parties and non-parties to participate in the pilot exercise
 - To request the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report
 - To review the reporting template and procedures at its next session in 2018
 - To request the WG on IWRM in consultation of the Implementation Committee to review the template and to submit a draft decision to the next MoP including the frequency and other modalities of reporting