Draft Programme of work for 2016-2018

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Process of development

- Was discussed intensively during one year
- Mandate to Working Group chairs
- Draft prepared by Bureau and discussed by WGIWRM in June
- Revision and finalization in summer



General features

- Builds on and further develop past activities: continuation (from policy development to implementation on the ground) + tries to respond to needs emerged in current triennium
- Strengthening of synergies between activities (in particular through the NPDs), but also nexus benefits, climate change—nexus etc.
- Globalization of the Convention
- 2030 Sustainable Development agenda
- Importance of partnerships



Area 1: Support to implementation and application of the Convention

- Assistance projects on the ground (Chu and Talas, Dniester, Drin, Kura, Neman, Pyanj, Debed), Central Asia cooperation, application model provisions on groundwaters
- Implementation Committee
- Reporting
- Development of a concept for a third comprehensive assessment

Resource requirements: 634,000 USD + project costs



Area 2:Identifying, assessing and communicating the benefits of transboundary cooperation

- Lead Parties: Estonia, Serbia
- Application of the policy guidance note in pilot transboundary basins
- Exchange of experience between pilots and other similar undertakings
- Workshop in 2017–2018

Resource requirements: 897,200 USD



Area 3: Water-food-energy-ecosystem nexus in transboundary basins

- Lead Parties: Finland
- Continuation/new nexus assessments
- Promotion of the use of the methodology by other partners, including through synthesis brochure
- Global stocktacking workshop in 2016
- Promotion of the conclusions of the basin assessments
- Facilitation of follow-up actions (including through NPDs)
- Collection of good practices on water allocation (workshop in 2017 + publication as appropriate)

Resource requirements: 1,145,800 USD

Area 4: Adapting to climate change in transboundary basins

- Lead Parties: Switzerland, the Netherlands
- Pilot projects: moving towards implementation, scaling up and mainstreaming
 Continuation of ongoing pilots + possibly new ones, including from outside ECE
- Global workshops + meetings of global network
 Two global workshops + specific exchanges within network
- Contribution to global processes on water and climate (activity 5.4)

Resource requirements: 1,114,000 USD

Area 5: Opening, promotion and partnerships

- Lead Parties: Hungary, France, Finland
- Promoting accession to the Convention and develop capacity for its implementation
- Synergies with UN Watercourses Convention and other legal instruments on water
- Promotion of the Convention, its activities and guidelines
- Contribution to the post-2015 development agenda and other international processes
- Cooperation with other MEAs
- Cooperation with GEF
- Cooperation with UNESCO
- Cooperation with UN Water and other partners

Resource requirements: 1,314,000 USD

Area 6: EU Water Initiative and NPDs

- Lead Parties: the secretariat in cooperation with OECD, Romania and the European Commission
- Development and implementation of IWRM at national, transboundary and regional level
- SDGs implementation
- Approximation of EU water legislation
- Nexus, climate change adaptation, benefits of cooperation
- Exchange of experience with other components of the EU Water Initiative
- Cooperation with EPRs
- Possibly launch new dialogues

Resource requirements: 3,057,000 USD



Bodies to implement the programme of work

- Bureau
- WGIWRM and WGMA
- Implementation Committee
- Legal Board
- Task Force on Water and Climate and core group of pilot projects
- Task Force on the Water-Food-Energy-Ecosystems Nexus
- IWAC
- Joint Ad Hoc Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents

Resource requirements (MOP8, Bureau, WGIWRM, WGMA): 757,100 USD



Overall resource requirements

- ▶ Total requirements: 8,730,000 USD
- ▶ 13% increase compared costs for 2013-2015 (but actually only 8% increase taking into account MOP costs)
- Higher resources requirements mostly linked to NPDs and opening
- Some pledges but do not cover all resource needs

Evolution of resources requirements (USD)

