



Fourth meeting of the global network of basins working on climate change adaptation

14-15 February 2019, Geneva
Starting at 10 a.m., Palais des Nations, room XI

AGENDA

Thursday, 14 February 2019

10.00 – 10.45: Session 1: Introduction and welcome

Moderators: Ms. Sibylle Vermont and Mr. Niels Vlaanderen

Welcome and introduction by the chairs, the Netherlands (*Mr. Niels Vlaanderen*) and Switzerland (*Ms. Sibylle Vermont*), UNECE (*Ms. Francesca Bernardini/Ms. Sonja Koeppel*) and INBO (*Mr. Edouard Boinet*)

Linkages to global processes on water, climate change and disasters – *Mr. Niels Vlaanderen*

Introductory round

10.45 – 13.00: Session 2: Addressing water-related disasters in transboundary basins under the changing climate

Moderator: Ms. Sibylle Vermont

Latest developments regarding the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction – *Mr. Dave Paul Zervaas, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction*

Presentation of the recent publication: *Words into action guidelines: Implementation guide for addressing water-related disasters and transboundary cooperation* – *Mr. Jos Timmerman, the Netherlands*

Application of the Climate Risk Informed Decision Analysis (CRIDA) in disaster risk reduction – *Mr. Cees van de Guchte, Deltares*

Nature-based solutions in disaster risk reduction – *Mr. Alejandro Iza, IUCN*

Examples from the basins of the global network:

- From Scenarios to the Rhine basin adaptation strategy: the ICRP approach – *Mr. Adrian Schmid-Breton, International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine*

13.00 – 15.00: Lunch break

15.00 – 18.00: Session 2 continued

Examples from the basins of the global network:

- Flood forecasting and early warning system for the Sava river basin – *Mr. Samo Grošelj, International Sava River Basin Commission*
- Disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation in the Volta basin – *Mr. Razaki Sanoussi, Volta Basin Authority*

Interactive group discussion with groups focusing on different topics:

- Early-warning, monitoring and assessment
- Nature-based solutions
- Stakeholder involvement

19.00: Dinner

Friday, 15 February 2019

9.30 – 11.30: Session 3a: Means of implementation: Linking transboundary climate change adaptation with national strategies and plans and financing

Moderator: Mr. Jos Timmerman

Examples from the basins of the global network:

- ICPDR Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change and its integration into the Danube River Basin Management Plan and Flood Risk Management Plan – *Ms. Edith Hoedl, International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River*
- Introduction of the Mekong Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan (MASAP) and its mainstreaming at national Level – *Mr. Cong Nguyen Dinh, Mekong River Commission*

Panel discussion on recent developments in adaptation to climate change in transboundary basins, their integration into national processes and cooperation between different sectors

11.30-12.30 Session 3b: Financing climate change adaptation

Moderator: Mr. Niels Vlaanderen

Presentation of the publication: *Financing climate change adaptation in transboundary basins: preparing bankable projects, and AfDB activities in this field* – *Mr. David Hebart-Coleman, African Development Bank*

Financing climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction: tools and lessons of the European Investment Bank – *Mr. Emmanuel Chaponniere, European Investment Bank*

Examples from the basins of the global network:

- Mobilizing funds for the Climate Investment Plan from the Green Climate Fund in the Niger basin: process, results and recommendations for other basins - *Mr. Bireme Hamid Abderahim, Niger Basin Authority*

12.30 – 14.30: Lunch break

14.30-15.40: Continuation of session 3b

- Funding adaptation: process of development and implementation of the project proposal for Climate Adaptation Fund – *Mr. Omari Mwinjaka, Lake Victoria Basin Commission*

Interactive discussion with representatives of all basins on their efforts and achievements in financing climate change adaptation

15.40 – 16.15: Session 4: Future activities of the network vis-a-vis other global and regional developments and actors

Moderator: Ms. Sibylle Vermont

Discussion on future activities and ways of working of the network as well as suggestions for the next global workshop on water and adaptation to climate change, scheduled for 29-30 April 2019.

Partnerships with other organizations: INBO (*Mr. Edouard Boinet*), WMO (*Ms. Dominique Bérode*), IUCN (tbc).

Promotion of the Water Convention among the countries of the Niger basin - *Mr. Bireme Hamid Abderahim, Niger Basin Authority*

Evaluation

16.15 – 16.30: Session 5: Next meeting of the global network and closing