

## Minutes of TEC meeting, May 2016

TEC members: Jerry D. Priscoli, Dan Tarlock, Madiodio Niasse, Nicole Bernex, Mike Young, Eelco van Beek, Adrian Cashman, Kala Vairavamoorthy, Tom Panella (by skype)

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REMARK: the updated TEC Work plan 2016 is an integral part of this minutes

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| <b>Part 1: On-going activities</b>  |  |  |
| <p><b>PP on Ecosystem Services</b> was revised and re-submitted for the final discussion with TEC members. The central message of the paper is to inform readers on how to translate the importance of ecosystem services in projects, programs policy response and how to increase sensitivity of decision makers in ecosystem related decisions. The following aspects to be considered in the final paper:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Articulate clear message in the abstract (emphasize on fact that ecosystem is abandoned from attention of policy makers, incl. water policy makers) – make “take home message”</li> <li>- Some examples on measures to conserve ecosystem that improved water quality/quantity (add boxes)</li> <li>- Add section on how to operationalize the ecosystem approach</li> <li>- Add implementation indicators and examples</li> <li>- Need to highlight what is new (e.g. concept, approach, bridging concept with decision making, etc). and to whom the paper is addressed</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inputs from TEC members regarding examples with links (to be formed into boxes) - May 30, 2016</li> <li>- The final paper to be submitted for editing and proof reading – June 30, 2016</li> <li>- Communication plan to be made by GWPO for publishing the paper in August 2016</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All TEC members (potential for skype meeting in mid-June organized by Danka)</li> <li>- Nicole</li> <li>- Eelco to support Nicole with abstract</li> <li>- Danka responsible for production process (editing, design/layout, proofreading, printing)</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>PP on Inclusive Access: Decoupling urban water charges from the provision of financial assistance to poor households</b> was completed. The paper is to argue that increasing block tariff regimes fail the most basic of affordability and inclusive development tests. The paper recommends that all water consumers pay the full cost of service provision, all households have metered connections to the piped water network, and financial assistance to the poor is provided using a</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jerry supported by Kala write the Foreword to clearly define the purpose of the paper that aims to engine the debate transparent subsidies to support the poor – June 6</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jerry for the Foreword text</li> <li>- Mike to submit the final version to Danka for</li> </ul>   |

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| <p>separate policy instrument. This paper has a “debate” character and is to motivate new thinking of governments that subsidize water utilities in name of “support the poor” with different approach.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Subsidy (welfare) system in developing countries does not work, thus, it is questionable if the recommendation regarding subsidizing the poor outside of water service provisions is workable</li> <li>- Consider to clarify table 1; generic term “developing country” is not appropriate</li> <li>- Are the recommendations consistent with HBR Approach?</li> <li>- Consider to skip the Box 1 (Chile)</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Final paper to be submitted for publishing process – June 15</li> <li>- Rudolph with Jerry will explore the option to present the paper at joint WWC/GWP meeting (August 2016) – needs to be clarify if this is an event to celebrate jointly 20th anniversary with WWC (?) – form, when, where?</li> <li>- Danka and Communication team to explore social media to invite debate with inclusion of GWP partners</li> </ul> | <p>publishing process (light proof reading, design/layout, print)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Steven with Rudolph to clarify the launch of the paper during Water Week</li> <li>- Danka and Eva to suggest communication plan for the paper</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>PP on Energy and Water.</b> The paper is in a pipeline for the last 2,5 years, but it did not materialize due to a lack of lead author within TEC. A suggestion was made by Angela to outsource the paper to external writer (several organizations already cooperate with GWPO) with a focus on water and energy governance aspects (previously defined by Daryl). GWP so far did not provide any knowledge product to inform regional, country GWPs and outside GWP Network on aspects on linkages of Water sector (having in mind IWRM process) and Energy sector. Discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not clarity on purpose of the paper and need for the paper</li> <li>- What is the demand in GWP Network for such paper? What is the market need in GWP or outside?</li> <li>- Is it the area where GWP go to grow in global dialogue?</li> <li>- Broad aspects of Water and Energy linkages – multipurpose investments in both sectors, storage capacity, impacts to W-F-E and other nexai, water for energy and energy for water productions, institutional aspects – where is a need to focus GWP intervention?</li> <li>- Paper would need a more focused window to linkage</li> <li>- GWPO will reconsider the paper by using a specific focus</li> </ul> | <p>No action was taken.</p> <p>Jerry supported by Angela (and Manuel) to decide on the next steps, as “no-action” has implications to budget allocated for this activity.</p> <p>GWPO (Angela) will tune/focus the scope of the W&amp;E paper to a specific focus – mid-June to be ready for discussion via skype meeting</p>  | <p>Jerry</p>  |

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| <b>Part 2: Agreed activities as in TEC workplan 2016</b>   |  |   |
| <p><b>Background paper on Coordinated land and water governance for food security – Equity, gender and efficiency considerations.</b></p> <p>Madiodio presented a Concept note. It is a follow up activity from 2015 (Perspective paper and consultation workshop delivered). The request from GWPO was to tailor the future background paper in relation to addressing gender issues. The argument justified in the BP is that a coordinated land and water governance offers possibilities of better capitalising on the mutually reinforcing efficiency in land and water use. Discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Very supportive to develop this paper as a direct need made by some RWPs</li> <li>- Consider to involve partners from other knowledge brokers (IWMI, ILC, ODI)</li> <li>- Cover also Asia (not only Africa) issues</li> <li>- Issue of feminization of agriculture</li> <li>- Need an introductory box written by Chair</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concept note is well structured and provide a solid base to develop the first draft of the paper by August 2016</li> <li>- Invite selected organizations (including RWPs and CWPs) to feed into the paper</li> <li>- Complete the paper by end December 2016</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Madiodio to suggest potential knowledge partners to jointly collaborate on the paper (if this involves budget allocation, we will need to explore potential shifts in the TEC current budget)</li> <li>- Madiodio to submit the draft</li> <li>- Tom (ADB) to bring Asia perspective</li> <li>- Danka to invite RWPs, CWPs to contribute to the paper with case studies, suggestions</li> <li>- Further steps to be agreed in skype meeting. planning for the design/layout to be made in Q4/2016</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>PP (or BP?) on Decision making under uncertainty.</b> This is to follow up of the OECD/GWP report on securing water/sustaining growth. The report is academic and complex and needs to be translated for a broad and diverse audiences. So we need to extract aspects that would be tailored to GWP. The PP (or BP) builds on the fact that water security requires investments but making competent financial decisions are conditional by a high uncertainty. Another report (book) that will be considered in the PP (or BP) is the CRIDA report. GWP was asked to assess the usefulness of the report. It was agreed that the PP (BP) will be developed in 2016</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concept note (publication proposal) to be developed by May 30</li> <li>- The first draft to be consulted at TEC meetings (skype and face to face)</li> <li>- Envisaged to have a publication in 2017</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eelco</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>PP an Insurance as DRR Tool.</b> This is a request from GWPO (WACDEP and IDMP) to support the development of the PP dealing with insurance. A preliminary concept note was submitted by Alex (in cooperation with Frederik). Discussion points:</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop a concept Note (publication proposal) to address the rationale and basis for the PP (derived on the</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The first concept note to be developed by Adrian (lead author) supported by Kala and Eelco by August 2016</li> </ul>   |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What are ways and means in which we can reduce damage and human suffering through insurance?</li> <li>- Need to understand whether the disaster risks are insurable and whether insurance against natural catastrophes is available</li> <li>- Insurance and prevention are two responses to risks which seem to conflict with each other, how to address it?</li> <li>- Need to expand knowledge base in insurance/banking sector and need to increase understanding of Insurance sector to water related disasters (and prevention measures)</li> <li>- Need to clarify the audience for such paper (farmers?)</li> <li>- Could we request Japan (who is extremely active in DRR) to collaborate on this paper</li> <li>- GWP MED expressed interest to participate and be a test in this publication</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concept note provided by WACDEP and IDMP unit) – Adrian leads</li> <li>- Invite external expert to support the development of the paper</li> <li>- The concept note will be a subject of skype meeting and next face-to-face meeting</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dan and mike to serve as reviewers</li> <li>- Publication planned for 2017</li> </ul> |
| <b>Part 3: TEC and global/regional agenda</b>   |   |  |
| <p>TEC members discussed the results from the joint TEC/REG meeting and bilateral meetings conducted with individual RWPS or network Officers. TEC members noted the presentations made by Armand (Africa), Vangelis (MED), Vadim (Central Asia) and Fabiola (Latin America). There were many concrete ideas to be considered by TEC members, although many ideas would need better articulation. A concrete follow up and involvement of TEC in regional activities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support of International Water Law training for Africa (Dan involved, supported by Jerry) – June 2016</li> <li>- Support to regional work in West Africa (Madiodio involved) – annual</li> <li>- Support to regional publication in CAM (Adrian and Dan to provide advice, revision) – by August 2016</li> <li>- Support to publication of SAM (Nicole to provide advice, revision) – needs to be defined</li> <li>- Support to peer review of GWP/UNICEF papers (Kala) – in October 2016</li> </ul> | <p>Respective TEC members engaged in individual activities</p> <p>The request for TEC involvement differs to each other. In order to administer (in case that the activity has budgetary implications) Danka will keep the record on progress</p> <p>Danka to follow up with respective network officers/RWPs regarding timelines</p> | <p>As indicated</p>  |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support to paper on Benefits of Action and Cost of Inaction (Mike and Eelco to be part of Expert Group to define the form, type of the paper and contribute to a writing team)</li> <li>- Support to IDM Strategic Framework paper – peer review by selected members of TEC – needs to be defined</li> </ul>   |  |                  |
| <b>Part 4a: New TEC agenda</b>  |  |                  |
| <p><b><i>Collaborative modeling tools and applications</i></b><br/> This proposal is to explore a new area of collaborative interactive modeling tool. The concept of collaborative modeling, that is well developed in USA, combines technical analysis and modeling with collaboration and traditional planning principles. This combination assists with complex decision processes, helps manage conflict, promotes learning and understanding, and builds relationships among stakeholders. The idea is to draft PP that will evolved in capacity building program for RWPs and CWPs. The RWPs and CWPs being a broad platform of stakeholders might find effective the tool and application. Also, this modeling tool is not yet fully addressed in ToolBox. It is a long term initiative and external expertise might be required.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jerry to develop a concept note (publication proposal) for the perspective paper to be presented at the next TEC meeting</li> <li>- The next steps will be further defined at next TEC meeting</li> <li>- Potential publication envisaged in 2017</li> <li>- Together with interactive demonstration (to be done with TEC members)</li> </ul> | Jerry            |
| <p><b><i>GWP ToolBox</i></b><br/> TEC Chair recommended to revisit tools and case studies in current ToolBox. The web site will soon be migrated in a new web site (together with GWP web site) and it is a good time to update and make improvements. The discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Is ToolBox sound and appropriate for IWRM processes?</li> <li>- Who are users of ToolBox and what is the satisfaction – recommended to conduct a Survey</li> <li>- Is ToolBox ready address emerging issues of nexus, climate change adaptation?</li> <li>- How ToolBox could capture lessons learnt from BP 22 (contextualization of IWRM)</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All TEC members to visit ToolBox features and recommend areas that would need a revision (timing by July 15, 2016)</li> <li>- Danka in cooperation with communication unit to structure Survey/guided interview to explore user satisfaction (end-July 2016)</li> </ul>   |                  |
| <b>Part 4b: TEC mode of operandi</b>  |  |                  |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It is suggested that TEC members will interact in a form of skype meeting focused on specific issue on bi-monthly basis. Depending on the budget, two face-to-face meetings in year will be organized.</li> <li>- New TEC member: in December 2015, three TEC members completed their services. TEC chair need to consider their replacement (or other mode of operation). A profile of a new TEC member will be developed and discussed with ES</li> <li>- TEC Chair is a part of Senior Leadership Team (GWP Chair/TEC Chair/ES) – the team meets on ad hoc basis and is initiated by GWP Chair</li> <li>- GWP is regularly requested to provide feedback, review, comments to knowledge products developed by external knowledge partners. The prioritization of the load for such services will be made by ES and TEC Chair</li> <li>- The revision of TEC workplan 2016 (as result of this meeting) will be made by June 2016; add time requirements for TEC to service in peer review functions for GWPO</li> <li>- TEC will contribute to 3-year workprogramme of GWPO as resulted from Regional days/TEC meetings</li> <li>- TEC members agreed to have a Vice Chair</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Danka to schedule skype meetings in 2016 and allocate specific topic for each skype meeting</li> <li>- Danka to consolidate expenditures of TEC and planned expenditures to accommodate the face-to-face meeting in autumn 2016</li> <li>- Danka to provide profile of a new TEC member</li> <li>- Jerry and Danka to contribute to 3-year workprogramme of GWPO (15 August 2016)</li> <li>- Eelco to be vice-Chair</li> </ul> |                  |