

**GWP CACENA (Central Asia and Caucasus)  
Progress Report  
January-June 2004**

**Table 1: Narrative reporting table**

<b>GWP Work Programme Outputs</b>	<b>Key Activities in 2004</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Problems &amp; Remedial Actions</b>
<p>1. IWRM water policy and strategy development facilitated at relevant levels</p>	<p>To keep policy dialogue among the key stakeholders GWP CACENA Secretariat organized a number of seminars associated with some principal water events in the region:</p> <p>1. The Annual Workshop on the Project "IWRM-Fergana Valley" – supported by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation and executed by SIC ICWC (Scientific Information Center of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination in Central Asia) in association with IWMI – was held in Fergana, Uzbekistan on January 26–28. Over 120 persons from Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan attended workshop, including people from national water authorities, provincial water bodies, water user associations, NGOs, and farmers.</p> <p>2. The 3d International Conference on Water Partnerships has held in Almaty, Kazakhstan on 26-28 May 2004. During this forum the IWRM seminar to share experience from the countries and some pilot projects was organized and supported by the GWP CACENA. The GWP Executive Secretary Emilio Gabbrielli attended the all events in Almaty.</p> <p>3. The principal water NGOs from three countries of Caucasus supported by GWP CACENA under coordination from Association “Kura-Araks” (member of the GWP CACENA family) organized annual public celebration of the Day of Kura and Araks rivers, which was held in Tbilisi, Georgia on 2 June.</p>	<p>RTAC members wrote the IWRM status report detailed by countries, and 200 copies of it were published in Russian and disseminated among stakeholders within region.</p> <p>The governmental water authorities from Armenia, Kazakhstan stressed strict commitment to the IWRM concept implementation. Other countries offered formal support to the IWRM concept.</p>	<p>The IWRM status report is recently under translation into English for submitting to the international donors and interested organizations.</p> <p>It necessary to continue policy dialogue with more wide involvement of the governmental officials and the key NGOs – one more seminar should be organized in the second half of 2004.</p>	<p>Formal support to the IWRM concept from the governmental institutions – is a good basis for its real implementation. More attention and forces of the GWP CACENA team should be directed to the facilitation of the process by promoting of guidelines what and how could be done. For that experience of the GWP family and some pilot activities in the region should applied.</p> <p>Public awareness campaigns in all countries are central for CACENA work program for remaining time in 2004.</p>

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2. IWRM programmes and tools developed in response to regional and country needs	Published 500 copies of ToolBox version 2 in Russian. The first official presentation of this book was on 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2004 in Yerevan, Armenia during the GWP CACENA RTAC meeting. There was agreed with the ToolBox Focal Point in GWP CEE (Danka Thalmeinerova) about support in development of ToolBox activities in the CACENA countries. The first joint working meeting was organized in Almaty, Kazakhstan on 27 <sup>th</sup> of May, where the program of joint actions for 2004 was adopted.	Russian version of ToolBox-2 widely disseminated in the region	The special ToolBox workshop will be held in Issyk Kul Lake in Kyrgyz Republic on 6-7 August led by CEE TB focal point experts. Two case studies from the CACENA experience will be prepared up to the end of the 2004.	During Almaty meeting in May 2004 it was stressed demand for hands on case studies addressed to practical engineering realities. It was agreed to try to fill this weakness of the TB by producing relevant CS.
3. Linkages between GWP and other frameworks, sectors and issues ensured	The GWP CACENA RTAC members organized brief e-mail conference addressed to celebration of the International Water Day on 22 <sup>d</sup> of March. In the same day there was initiated by the WWC Governor, Prof. Victor Dukhovny with support from GWP CACENA a special 3-hours conference in the Training Centre of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination in Central Asia (Tashkent). More than 100 water professionals from various institutions and NGOs located in Tashkent took part in this event. The newly prepared movie (20 minutes long) about water problems and IWRM practices around Central Asia was presented to the conference participants.	With support from GWP CACENA it was produced 2000 CDs with four bases of the most completed collection of official documents and publications related to water and environmental sectors of Central Asian countries during last 14 years.	During Almaty meeting in May 2004 it was agreed to create in CACENA region Gender & Water network. There is commitment from the ADB and GWP-South Asia to provide certain assistance for that.	The most problematic is co-operation with the EU Water Initiative. Some RTAC members took participation in the High level meetings and are members of the IWRM working group of the EU WI, but there is no any real progress. The main goal is to push this initiative to practical ground.
4. GWP partnerships established and consolidated at relevant levels	The GWP CACENA web-site is updated each quarter. Please, visit: <a href="http://www.gwpcacena.org">www.gwpcacena.org</a>  Inauguration of the CWP Kazakhstan in May 2004. Framework agreement for CWP was adopted and Country TAC was elected of 7 persons. Prof. Nariman Kipshakbaev was elected as CWP-Kazakhstan Coordinator (e-mail: <a href="mailto:nkipshakbaev@nursat.kz">nkipshakbaev@nursat.kz</a> ).	Launching of the National IWRM and water efficiency plan for Kazakhstan, supported by UNDP, GWP CACENA and funded by Government of Norway. The key parties involved agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CWP Kazakhstan specific activities for 2004 as GWP CACENA in-kind contribution should be presented for coordination with the existing UNDP project activities.</li> <li>• The good will was expressed to</li> </ul>	Draft Inception report of the National IWRM and water efficiency plan for Kazakhstan will be circulated for comments in September, 2004	Priority issues of the Kazakhstan project will be coordinated with other initiatives (UNDP, DFID, GWP, WB, etc)  The region and newly established CWP need advice and supervision how to develop and keep its potential. In this respect it is necessary to activate proper co-operation with CapNet activities.

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		form the Advisory Board for volunteered participation of experts from GWP, UNDP and the local experts.		
5. GWP network effectively developed and managed	<p><b>Two meetings of the GWP CACENA RTAC were organized during reporting period:</b></p> <p>1st meeting in Yerevan, Armenia on 13-14 April. The members from 7 out of 8 countries took participation. Azerbaijan could not attend, while Turkmenistan officially attended for the first time since November 2002.</p> <p>2d meeting in Almaty, Kazakhstan on 28 May, where 100% quorum was attended for the first time.</p>	<p>The most important issues discussed during the Yerevan meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreed to launch public awareness campaign in each country of region.</li> <li>• Renewal process of CACENATAC to be initiated in 2004, taking special notice of that gender balance must be improved</li> </ul> <p>The key issues discussed by RTAC in Almaty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lessons of creation of the CWP in Kazakhstan and further activities</li> <li>• Detailed programs of the campaign of public awareness in the CACENA countries</li> <li>• Cooperation with GWP CEE on ToolBox</li> <li>• About rotation of RTAC members</li> </ul>	<p>Two more RTAC meetings are planned in the second part of 2004.</p> <p>Detailed work program for 2005 should be elaborated and agreed by all stakeholders.</p>	<p>The Host Institute agreement should be prolonged with IWMI regional office in Tashkent for two more years before end of 2004.</p>

**Table 2: Summary of Outputs and Indicators**

	<b>Main activities expected during 2004–2008</b>	<i>General Performance indicators expected during 2004–2008</i>	<b>Specific activities 2004</b>	<b>Specific indicator 2004</b>	<b>Means of verification</b>
	<b>OUTPUT 1: IWRM WATER POLICY AND STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT FACILITATED AT RELEVANT LEVELS</b>				
	<b>OUTPUT 2: IWRM PROGRAMS AND TOOLS DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO REGIONAL AND COUNTRY NEEDS</b>	2.1			
	<b>OUTPUT 3: LINKAGES BETWEEN GWP AND OTHER FRAMEWORKS, SECTORS AND ISSUES ENSURED</b>				
	<b>OUTPUT 4: GWP PARTNERSHIPS ESTABLISHED AND CONSOLIDATED AT RELEVANT LEVELS</b>				
	<b>OUTPUT 5: GWP NETWORK EFFECTIVELY DEVELOPED AND MANAGED (GLOBAL LEVEL)</b>				