



Water, Climate and Development An African Programme

Country and Basin Identification Report

Support to integration of water security and climate change adaptation into development planning and decision making processes

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Proposed Countries and River Basins

In November 2010, during the 3rd Africa Water Week, the extra-ordinary session of the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) adopted a decision recommending that Global Water Partnership (GWP) and partners to operationalise the Water, Climate and Development Programme (WCDP).

The WCDP aims to integrate water security and climate resilience in development planning processes, build climate resilience and support countries to adapt to a new climate regime through increased investments in water security.

The programme supports the implementation of the AMCOW's triennial work programme for 2010-2013. The initiative will initially be implemented in 8 countries and 4 river basins in Africa and will lead to the development of Investment and Financing Strategies for Water Security, Climate Resilience and Development. In addition, fundable projects (many of them infrastructure-related) will be developed in the programme countries.

Following the decision of AMCOW's Executive Committee in November 2010, GWP developed a criterion for selecting target countries and river basins for implementation. The identification criterion is explained in the next section and shown in Table 1 and 2 below. Based on these criteria, GWP nominated the following 8 countries and 4 river basins for initial implementation of the WCDP.

On 27 June 2011, GWP presented the WCDP and identified Countries and River Basins to the 10th meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee of AMCOW (AMCOW-TAC) held in Tunis, Tunisia. The AMCOW TAC noted with satisfaction GWP's Water, Climate and Development Programme the pilot implementation of which will support the eight countries and 5 river basins/ Shared Aquifer in developing water security and climate resilient investment strategies

Countries

- 1 Ghana
- 2 Burkina Faso
- 3 Cameroon
- 4 Rwanda
- 5 Burundi
- 6 Zimbabwe
- 7 Mozambique
- 8 Tunisia

River Basins/Aquifer

- 1 Volta Basin
- 2 Lake Chad
- 3 Kagera Basin
- 4 Limpopo Basin
- 5 North-Western Sahara Aquifer System

The selection criteria is shown in Table 1 and 2 and explained below:

• Ease of integration with existing national development context

As the programme will support existing national development priorities, the ease with which the programme interventions can be integrated in existing national development processes will be a critical success factor.

• Ease of government buy-in, and support by AMCOW TAC National Focal Point

Expressed demand will be required by the government (RBO for river basin). In addition, confirmation of willingness to provide in-country leadership by government and the National Focal Point for AMCOW TAC will be considered.

• Ease of mobilisation and potential for quick results in first 18 months

While the final selection will have a mix of countries where progress can be easily achieved and countries where it may take longer, consideration will also be given on whether the programme can achieve quick results to build confidence and generate interest from policy and decision makers.

• Relevant past and on-going processes

Care will be taken to avoid duplication of interventions. Efforts will be made to build on recent or on-going processes where this is possible. Countries where there has been no recent related initiative also present opportunities for the programme to add value.

• Potential to attract additional funding

The programme should lead to implementation. Countries/basins where the potential to attract funding for implementation exists will be prioritised to generate lessons for other countries where bottlenecks exist. The programme will target both types of countries for transfer of lessons. In addition, programme countries for development partners interested in funding the programme will be taken into consideration.

• Least Developed Country

LDCs are listed as vulnerable to climate change by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and will be prioritised.

• Country/basin vulnerability to climate change

Countries and basins that are considered 'climate change hotspots' or in which climate change is projected to have a large impact will be prioritised.

Table 1: COUNTRY SELECTION

COUNTRY				1
Name 1	Name 2	Name 3	Name 4	1

	CRITERIA		
1.	Ease of integration with existing national development context (development planning processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)		
2.	Ease of government buy-in, AMCOW TAC		
3.	Ease of mobilisation and potential for quick results in first 18 months		
4.	Relevant past and on-going processes		
5.	Potential to attract additional funding and source		
6.	Least Developed Country (Yes/No)		
7.	Country vulnerability to climate change		
	Priority Number		

Table 2: BASIN SELECTION

	CRITERIA	Transboundary river basin or shared aquifer		
		Name 1	Name 2	
1.	Ease of integration with existing national			
	development context (development planning			
	processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)			
2.	Ease of buy-in from governments, River Basin			
	Organisation, Regional Economic Community,			
	regional AMCOW TAC			
3.	Ease of mobilisation			
4.	Relevant past and on-going processes			
5.	Potential to attract additional funding and source			
	Priority Number			

Annexes: Countries and River Basins Nominated by GWP Regions in Africa

WEST AFRICA

CRITERIA	GHANA	BURKINA FASO	NIGERIA	BENIN
Development context	No formal IWRM plan in	The first country to set an	No formal IWRM plan in	The draft national IWRM
(development planning	place, but IWRM in practice	IWRM plan. On-going	place; however several	plan in the process for
processes, current plans,	with the lead of the Water	implementation of the	actions for water	validation.
priorities, etc.)	Resources Commission of	second phase, with an	development: several river	Benefited from the
	Ghana (WRC) put in place by	annual review in the frame	sub-basin management	Partnership for Africa's
	an Act of Parliament (Act 522	of the overall National Water	programmes (e.g.	Water Development (PAWD)
	of 1996) with the mandate	Programme. National water	Komandugu Yobe) and	programme. Has a water law
	to regulate and manage	supply and sanitation	several pilot projects; a great	adopted in 2010.
	water resources and co-	programme in place, with an	number of big water	Member of the Niger Basin
	ordinate government	emphasis on the Poverty	infrastructures in Nigeria;	Authority and a number of
	policies in relation to them.	Reduction Strategic Paper.	the creation of a powerful	pilot projects around IWRM
	Founding member of Ghana	Priorities include linking	National Integrated Water	on the ground, including a
	Country Water Partnership	water development with	Resources Commission for	process on the Okpara dam.
	(CWP), with very good	development programmes.	Nigeria in 2008 charged with	Priorities include adoption of
	relationship with GWP-West	Establishing sub-basin	the responsibility for the	the national IWRM at
	Africa.	development agency,	regulation and management	government level; setting up
	Existing National Water	making good water	of water in Nigeria and for	of the planned sub-basin
	Policy and some basin level	governance a reality.	other matters connected	water agencies; fundraising
	programmes including		therewith. Member of the	for the implementation of
	PAGEV (programme for		Niger Basin Authority and	the national IWRM plan as a
	improving water governance		the Lake Chad Basin	whole.
	in the Volta river basin) and		Commission.	
	the Densu basin pilot			
	programme. Member of the			
	Volta Basin Authority.			
Ease of government buy-in,	The Minister is an	The General Director of	Nigeria is also member of	Nothing special to say except
AMCOW TAC	AMCOW/EXCO member.	Water and Sanitation in	AMCOW/EXCO. But no	that the CWP is very close to
	Ghana is very active in the	Burkina is the regional focal	information about how it	the government.
	PAGEV programme and	point on gender for AMCOW.	easy it will be.	

CRITERIA	VOLTA BASIN AUTHORITY VBA	NIGER BASIN AUTHORITY NBA
Development context (development planning processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)	Created in 2006 only; 6 countries have ratified in 2009. Aim at coordinating all actions/development programmes within the Volta basin. An action plan is available; an observatory of natural resources has been established.	Founded in 1964; includes 9 countries; has developed a shared vision for the basin with an "Integrated Development Plan of the Basin", including the "2008-2027 Investment Programme of the River Niger Basin", the "Water Charter of the River Niger Basin". Very large basin.
Ease of buy-in from governments, River Basin Organisation, Regional Economic Community, regional AMCOW TAC	VBA has taken on CGIAR research, CPWF programmes, PAGEV and development initiatives, etc. under its coordination. Potential for by-in exist.	The 2008-2012 priority five-year plan is under way and can include possible actions.

Ease of mobilisation	The existing programmes are relevant for synergy. Political commitments exist.	No idea but a lot of funds are expected for the implementation of the investment programme.
Relevant past and on-going processes	Just new with few actions recorded. However, several relevant on-going programmes, and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with GWP/WA is a good basis.	The shared vision for the basin and the "Integrated Development Plan of the Basin", including the "2008-2027 Investment Programme of the River Niger Basin" are potentials for collaboration.
Potential to attract additional funding and source	The existing programmes can contribute and also mobilise more if needed.	The existing programmes can contribute and also mobilise more if needed.
Priority Number	1	2

SOUTHERN AFRICA

CRITERIA	LESOTHO	MALAWI	MOZAMBIQUE	ZIMBABWE	BOTSWANA
Development context (development planning processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)	Lesotho is the poorest country in Southern Africa. Water is one of the contributors to GDP. Development planning well organised and prioritises water as an economic sector.	Malawi Growth and Development Strategy has a strong drive for agricultural development. Fisheries are a big sector and central to GDP – all these sectors are sensitive to climate and water dependant. Work has already started with Tearfund on Water and Climate Change.	PARPA III (Mozambique's poverty reduction strategy) currently under development. Climate change has been integrated as a main sector.	Zimbabwe is currently implementing the STERP (Short Term Economic Recovery Programme). Zimbabwe is a water stressed country and most of the envisaged recovery plans rely on a reliable water supply.	Botswana is currently implementing the NDP 10 (10 th National Development Plan) and in the process optimising programmes for better efficiency. Currently Botswana is developing an IWRM plan which is taking into consideration climate change impacts on water resources.
Ease of government buy-in, AMCOW TAC	Lesotho is the most active country in Southern Africa in	Malawi Water Partnership (MWP)/GWP-	Mozambique government relatively difficult to work with	Zimbabwe situation is fragile, with a GNU in control. Elections	The government in Botswana appreciates the work and the role

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	AMCOW (currently	Southern Africa have	and usually prefer	might be held this	of the Country Water
	chair for the Africa	worked with Malawian	partners to work at	year. However, ZINWA	Partnership. Water
	Water Facility Board)	national government	the ARA level	could be a good	being so critical in
		before, for the	(catchment level).	institution to work	Botswana with the
		national IWRM/WE	However, climate	with as they have a	current
		plan. Ministry of	change is of great	strong planning unit	implementation of the
		Irrigation and Water	concern to	and are charged with	Water Sector Reforms,
		Development is a key	Mozambique and	planning Water	there will be a lot of
		and active partner of	could be a good entry	Investments in the	interest in the project.
		MWP. WCDP would be	point for water	country.	
		a valued and natural	resources		
		progression from	management (WRM)		
		PAWDI.	planning and		
			integration into PARPA		
			III. WRM has		
			traditionally not		
			, received high level		
			attention and water		
			department within		
			public works ministry		
			(not much visibility or		
			authority for WRM)		
Ease of mobilisation and potential	GWP has strong	Strong CWP and	Mozambique already	Zimbabwe has for	The CWP is already
for quick results in first 18	relations with the	potential to build on	has a CCA programme	years being	, working on the IWRM
months	Commissioner of	IWRM planning	(Africa Adaptation	implementing an	plan which ends in
	Water, which is the	process. Stakeholder	Programme) financed	IWRM approach in	Nov. 2011. So a
	policy making unit in	facilitated	by UNDP – linkages	managing water	linkage can easily be
	Lesotho and hosts the	development	will have to be found	resources and the	made leading to
	CWP.	processes are	with this programme.	IWRM Strategy of	developing investment
	-	appreciated and MWP	Need to make it clear	1998 is currently	strategies and
		through key	where WCDP will add	under review. This	bankable projects.
		ministerial partners	value. WCDP can	might be an	
		able to involve all	strengthen the water	opportunity to	
		sectors.	component in the	integrate water	
			AAP. Mozambique is	security and climate	
			likely to get funding	resilience. The Climate	
			from RCCP and CDKN	Change Unit in	

Relevant past and on-going processes	Development of an IWRM Strategy; the Water Sector Improvement Plan. FAO programme on Food Security and Climate Change. Involved in ORASECOM basin wide projects.	IWRM planning. Work with Tearfund. Increasing resilience in the fisheries sector (WorldFish Centre). Green Revolution driven by President of Malawi. Riparian of Zambezi, so involved in many Zambezi projects.	(DFID support). GWP- SA has close relationships with both organisations and will ensure a comprehensive water component in the AAP. RCCP work with MICOA to setup a MIE. Roadmap to IWRM planning. Africa Adaptation Programme being implemented by MICOA and INGC (also aims to mainstream CCA into development and investment frameworks). NAPA developed by MICOA, CC Risk and Vulnerability Assessment by INGC. Downstream in most basins in the region, so involved in many transboundary WRM projects.	Zimbabwe is very strong as evidenced by the key roles the negotiators play within the UNFCCC COP meetings. So CCA projects can be taken up quickly. Under the Special Climate Change Fund, Zimbabwe is implementing a pilot project on Coping with Droughts. Implementation of an IWRM approach. Development of the ZINWA Water Investment Programme. Involved in Limpopo, Save, Pungwe, Zambezi, all transboundary WRM initiatives.	IWRM Planning in Botswana; the Agriculture Sector Plan looking at improving agriculture in a semi- arid region. Also a riparian of many of SADC basins and involved in TBWRM initiatives.
Potential to attract additional funding	Good understanding of LCDF, etc.	Could link with UNDP – as MIE for Adaptation Funds.	Mozambique is a donors' favourite. If WCDP compliments the AAP on the water side this will attract further funding.	Zimbabwe is key in regional transboundary waters, being mid-stream in a lot of the basins. The cholera epidemic in 2009 shows the importance of donors	The IWRM plan is supported by UNDP- GEF with co-financing from the government of Botswana. The government could be requested to continue providing support to

and the Afr Lesotho is i a hotspot.	one by RCCP to rica Atlas, dr identified as ca ma Mu ex ca se en (La Riv hu fis ag	urrently vulnerable o floods and roughts. And poor atchment nanagement exposes Malawi to water xtremes. Adaptive apacity is low; ensitive nvironmental zones Lake Malawi, Shire iver) plus potentially uge impacts on sheries and griculture.	Mozambique has been affected by climate variability for years and climate projections indicate that these extremes are going to get worse. Most of the country considered very vulnerable according to current data analysed in RCCP research.	NO – but rated lowest GDP in Southern Africa by the UNDP Human Development Report. All current vulnerability assessments and projected risk studies highlight Zimbabwe as a hotspot. Zimbabwe like Mozambique is affected by droughts and floods and this has huge impacts on the already shaken economy.	ground. NO Botswana is a dry country and is already water stressed. Increased demands for water and the added stress from climate change will require Botswana to invest in water security and make the resource more resilient.
Priority Number	5	4	2	1	3

CRITERIA	ORANGE (ORASECOM)	ZAMBEZI (ZAMCOM)	LIMPOPO (LIMCOM)
Development context	Advanced in terms of development planning, with	A Multi-Investment Opportunity Study	Limpopo Basin has some of the poorest
(development	diversified economies like South Africa, Namibia	was conducted by the World Bank.	communities in the region. It is also
planning processes,	and Botswana. Lesotho at the headwaters is the	However development planning is still	already over allocated on the RSA side
current plans,	poorest and climate resilience is needed at the	very much nationally driven.	and projected to be water stressed by
priorities, etc.)	headwaters to ensure water security. The		2025. It also faces huge water pollution
	Strategic Action Plan (SAP) aims at bringing to the		issues downstream.
	fore development priorities of the riparians in the		
	basin. Few countries to deal with, which can		

Priority Number	2	3	1
			could build as good case for further funding and potentially integrate some of the different projects/results.
	management and development.	countries in the basin.	security and climate resilience issues
source	integrate CCA into their water resources	trust fund CIWA aimed at supporting	basin within the CPWF. So water
additional funding and	support to countries in the basin, trying to	interest. The World Bank is setting up a	some time now and also been a focal
Potential to attract	ORASECOM is well funded and UNDP welcomes	Zambezi basin has lots of donor	Limpopo has been funded by GTZ for
			(river awareness kit) supported by GTZ.
			stakeholder strategy and Limpopo RAK
			IWMI. GIZ-SADC IWRM strategy,
			Research group. Limpopo Groundwater pilot projects. Research on MUS by
		Climate Resilience Programme.	Resilience and Climate Change
		Energy Security Work, the RCCP	pilots. Within the CPWF there is a
		TWA on the Zambezi, RCCP Water-	Challenge – good link to water-food
		by Transparency International. RCCP	Project, Limpopo Basin Development
	IWRM Strategy.	the Environmental Water Flows project	Analysis by RCCP, Limpopo Basin Focal
	projections and analysis. Development of an	Synchronisation Project funded by GTZ,	nexus. Limpopo Transboundary Water
going processes	development of a hydrological model for flow	proofed. The IWRM Strategy, the Dams	bringing in water-climate-development
Relevant past and on-	UNDP/GEF has funded a TDA and a SAP; current	World Bank MIOS needs to be climate	The IWRM Strategy adds value by
		formulation of the IWRM Strategy.	member states and secretariat.
	ORASECOM.	and has in the past been active in the	LIMCOM commissioners and SADC
Ease of mobilisation	GWP has a strong relationship with SADC and	GWP has good relationships with SADC	GWP has good relationships with
		cooperation.	
		overview could catalyse and trigger	
		Zambezi with a transboundary	5.00 phase 2.
	Africa is current AMCOW President.	the basin affairs. So work in the	study phase 2.
AIVICOW TAC	well organised and supported by the riparian states. Lesotho is active in AMCOW and South	Botswana in 2011. SADC prioritises the Zambezi basin and is currently handling	progress on initiatives being implemented under the CPWF basin
Community, regional AMCOW TAC	the strongest basin institution in the region; it is	secretariat is set to be established in	LIMCOM meetings to report on
Regional Economic	analysis to work from is available. ORASECOM is	commonality. The interim ZAMCOM	has currently started attending
Basin Organisation,	futures of the basin. So a transboundary water	the countries to find areas of	worked in all the riparian states and
governments, River	development scenarios, water futures and climate	However, there is a lot of interest from	established in Mozambique. GWP has
Ease of buy-in from	ORASECOM has lots on information on the	Zambezi is politically sensitive.	LIMCOM interim secretariat is
	provide programme with quick wins.		

NORTH AFRICA

CRITERIA	TUNISIA	MAURITANIA
Development context (development planning processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)	 Clear priority on water resources management (as seen by the most recent Water Strategy 2050 – plethora of water-related projects) – resource development has reached almost 100% of potential Sustainable Development and Climate Change Democratic reform and rule of law Economic growth (emphasis on employment) 	 Poverty reduction and economic growth (Cadre Stratégique de Lutte contre la Pauvreté - CSLP) Water clearly recognised as one of the 5 priority areas in the Plan d'Action of CSLP
Ease of government buy-in, AMCOW TAC	 Tunisian government positive to/familiar with cooperation with donors/external projects Recent political developments may require familiarisation with new/emerging actors Tunisia is active in AMCOW TAC 	 Mauritanian authorities have an outward-looking perspective, especially after the country's inclusion in the Euro-Med Partnership in Nov 2007 and, recently, in the Union for the Mediterranean, promoting at the same time country's profile in the AMCOW context. Mauritania has been out of the donors' focus for some time due to political instability Mauritania is active in AMCOW TAC
Ease of mobilisation and potential for quick results in first 18 months	- Depends on new political structure and stability/sustainability of introduced changes, which however seem to progress relatively smoothly	- Depends on the level of commitment of the collaborating authorities, which is seems to be high
Relevant past and on- going processes	 Large number of completed and on-going projects on water and climate Country participation in UfM and the Strategy for Water in the Mediterranean processes MED EUWI, GEF SPM, H2020, MAP UNEP / MCSD Member of Maghreb Union Member of League of Arab States Member of AMCOW and NAMCOW 	Potentially useful: - ACP and since 2007 the Euro-Med Partnership (now UfM) - Member of Maghreb Union - Member of League of Arab States - Member of AMCOW and NAMCOW

Potential to attract additional funding	- Large Donors/IFIs active in the country (World Bank, AFD, AfDB/AWF, EC Del, GIZ, KfW, EIB) – but there is no formal coordinating body	- Since the 2009 Presidential elections, donors have resumed development assistance and the country's full return to the international scene in 2010
Least Developed Country (Yes/No)	NO, but has a pioneering policy agenda on climate change adaptation that in need of application capacity	YES
Country vulnerability to climate change	Significant (increased water stress, coastline vulnerable to sea level rise, susceptible to floods and droughts, etc)	Significant (limited water availability-per capita that is below the water poverty line, drought phenomena and desertification)
Priority Number	1	2

CRITERIA	North-Western Sahara Aquifer System-(Algeria, Tunisia, Libya)
Development context	Agreement exists among the 3 countries including institutional arrangements for the transboundary management of the
(development planning	system
processes, current plans,	Extensive knowledge of the basin and availability of info/data through the implementation of a shared database,
priorities, etc.)	coordinated extraction policy and consultation mechanisms
Ease of buy-in from governments,	Likely as there is established cooperation among the three countries
River Basin Organisation,	High interest by internal/external actors particularly on the economic and environmental aspects of the aquifer's
Regional Economic Community,	management
regional AMCOW TAC	
Ease of mobilisation	High, due to existing prioritization of the countries on the Aquifer System and the established partnerships
Relevant past and on-going	Several processes led by specialised organisations and/or donors (e.g. OSS, BGR, UNESCO, GEF, France, Germany,
processes	Switzerland, etc)
Potential to attract additional	High, given the aquifer's importance and the cooperation mechanisms that are in place
funding and source	
Priority Number	1

CENTRAL AFRICA

CRITERIA	CAMEROON	DEMOCRATIC REP. OF CONGO	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	GABON	CONGO
Development context (development planning processes, current plans, priorities, etc.)	IWRM planning process at an advanced stage; emergent economy by 2035; employment and growth	Attaining food self- sufficiency	Improve water supply and sanitation	Development of a legal, institutional and management frameworks for the water sector; energy priorities	Development of the agricultural sector. Water supply and sanitation is of national concern
Ease of government buy- in, AMCOW TAC	Formal links with the ministry in charge of water; having Chair of regional TAC	Easy through IWRM focal points and CICOS	The IWRM focal point is a high ranking official in the ministry in charge of water	Through a partner NGO and government ministry	Minister in charge of water was former AMCOW Chair
Ease of mobilisation and potential for quick results in first 18 months	Has an established CWP with several partners	Through identified IWRM focal points and partners like CICOS	Has an established CWP with several partners	Through identified IWRM focal points and partners like ECCAS	Has an established CWP with several partners
Relevant past and on- going processes	Undergoing an IWRM planning process sine 2005; Within CICOS' and ECCAS' zone of action on IWRM issues	Awareness raising on IWRM in 2005; Within CICOS' and ECCAS' zone of action on IWRM issues	Initiated IWRM planning process in 2006; Within CICOS' and ECCAS' zone of action on IWRM issues	Within CICOS' and ECCAS' zone of action on IWRM issues	With other partners, carried out preliminary studies on CC issues; Within CICOS' and ECCAS' zone of action on IWRM issues
Potential to attract additional funding	Ministry in charge of water could make provision within its future budget; within the framework of joint implementation of some activities with ECCAS	within the framework of joint implementation of some activities with ECCAS	within the framework of joint implementation of some activities with ECCAS	within the framework of joint implementation of some activities with ECCAS	Allocation of state budget
Least Developed Country (Yes/No)	NO, but rated as poorly indebted country	YES	Yes, rated as poorly indebted country	YES	YES
Country vulnerability to climate change	Vulnerable to increasing floods	Vulnerable to increasing floods	Vulnerable to increasing floods and droughts	Vulnerable to increasing floods	Vulnerable to increasing floods
Priority Number	1	2	3	4	2?

CRITERIA	CONGO BASIN (CICOS)	LAKE CHAD BASIN (LCBC)
Development context	Validated late 2010, an IWRM Strategic Action Plan (SAP) for	Existence of a strategy document for the management of the
(development planning	the Congo Basin;	Lake Chad Basin;
processes, current plans,	Mapping out of hydraulic potentials for future physical	Carrying out feasibility studies on possible transfer of water
priorities, etc.)	development (dams, etc.)	from the Congo basin to the Lake Chad basin
Ease of buy-in from governments,	Has an organised management structure representative of	Has an organised management structure representative of
River Basin Organisation,	and sponsored by member states	and sponsored by member states
Regional Economic Community,		
regional AMCOW TAC		
Ease of mobilisation	Continuous working relations with GWP CAf	Two out of three member countries within the GWP CAf zone
		have CWPs
Relevant past and on-going	Development of navigation;	Fighting desertification;
processes	Embracing IWRM approach through a SAP	Developed a strategic plan of action
Potential to attract additional	High (from member states and donors)	High (from member states and donors)
funding and source		
Priority Number	2	1

EASTERN AFRICA

CRITERIA	RWANDA	BURUNDI	UGANDA	TANZANIA
Development context	Rwandan Vision 2020;	NAPA anchored on the	National Development Plan;	National Development Vision
(development planning	Poverty Reduction Strategy	Poverty Reduction and	Policy, legal and institutional	2025.
processes, current plans,	Paper; the National	Growth Strategy Paper	framework for IWRM;	Policy, legal and institutional
priorities, etc.)	Investment Strategy;	(PRGSP), implementing	NAPA implementing agency	framework that supports
	The Strategic Plan for	agency is UNDP	UNEP;	IWRM
	Agriculture Transformation -	IWRM plan with climate	Operational water resources	NAPA implemented by
	10% of GDP has been	change adaptation integrated	assessment and monitoring	relevant sectors local
	allocated to this, a first in the		networks;	communities.
	region!;		Piloting of decentralized	
	Comprehensive policy, legal		WRM to catchment;	

	and institutional framework for WRM; IWRM articulated as 1st priority adaptation option in Rwanda NAPA, whose implementing agency is UNEP		Water sector reform targeting efficiency; elements of private sector participation. A multi-sectoral National Climate Change Steering Committee (NCCSC) and a Secretariat advises the Minister of Water, Lands and Environment on CDM projects and climate change policy issues. The NCCSC provide oversight for implementation of the Uganda NAPA. The NCCSC Secretariat coordinates the implementation of the NAPA,	
			coordinates the	
			executed at field level, supervised by districts.	
Ease of government buy-in, AMCOW TAC	High political commitment	High political commitment	High political commitment	High political commitment
Ease of mobilisation and potential for quick results in first 18 months	Government commitment and level of organisation related to climate change programmes is high and has shown quick results in the past.	Government political support is high. Country water partnership and government structures that were part of the GWP led IWRM plan project can be easily mobilised	Initiatives piloting IWRM implementation a good opportunity to build upon.	Needs to be coordinated with GWP-SA
Relevant past and on-going processes	Study to track IWRM status, training in IWRM	IWRM planning ended Dec. 2009	GWP-EnA Water governance project, including Kenya and Tnazania	GWP-EnA Water governance project, including Kenya and Uganda

Potential to attract additional	High	High	High	High
funding	UNDP, GEF, AWF	UNDP, GEF, AWF	UNDP, GEF, AWF	UNDP, GEF, AWF
Least Developed Country	YES	YES	YES	YES
(Yes/No)				
Country vulnerability to climate	High vulnerabilities to	Vulnerability studies show all	Analysis of empirical	Vulnerable.
change	climate change in the sectors	the vital sectors of the	information and participatory	Economy is largely
	of agriculture, water	economy are affected by	rural appraisals show	dependent on agriculture,
	resources and energy due to	variability and climate	increased frequency of	majority of the population on
	synergistic and cumulative	change.	droughts and intensities and	subsistence agriculture. Most
	impacts of: degradation of	Rain fed agriculture, occupies	frequency of heavy rains,	vulnerable sectors (NAPA –
	arable land due to water	94% of the working	floods, landslides and	Tanzania) are agriculture,
	erosion and floods;	population, contributes to	outbreaks of associated	water, health, energy.
	Desertification in agro-	> 50% of the GDP, 95% of	diseases. Barriers to	Barriers to adaptation:
	bioclimate regions of the East	food, and > 80% of foreign	adaptation include	limited internal financing,
	and South-East; lowering of	income. Wooded forests and	inadequate understanding of	poor infrastructure, limited
	lakes levels and water flows	woodlots are the main	climate change and its	credit opportunities, poor
	due to pluviometric deficit	source of timber for	impacts that creates a barrier	health conditions of
	and prolonged droughts;	construction, energy and	to resource allocation;	resource-poor rural
	Degradation of forests. Issues	industry, hydropower is also	inadequate technical	communities, Limited
	include high population	important. Climate shocks	capacity; inadequate	technical capability of local
	density and growth;	always result in food and	financial resources; weak	personnel to develop viable
	environmental degradation;	energy crisis. Barriers to	institutional and coordinating	solutions
	disparity in water resource	adaptation include low	mechanisms	
	distribution; low	infrastructure development,		
	infrastructure development;	weak technical capacity, low		
	technical capacity; financing	knowledge of the water		
	for water management;	resources, inadequate		
	weaknesses in legal and	financing and weaknesses in		
	institutional framework	institutional framework		
Priority Number	1	2	3	4

BASIN SELECTION-Eastern Africa

CRITERIA	KAGERA	MARA
Development context	Kagera river basin covers an area of 60,500 km2 with a	The Mara River is shared between Kenya and Tanzania. The
(development planning	population of about 17 million	Mara River Basin is about 13,750 km2. It drains into Lake
processes, current plans,	Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda, under an initiative	Victoria, the source of the river Nile
priorities, etc.)	by the UNDP, established the Kagera Basin Organization	The Mara River runs through the Masai Mara Game Reserve
	(KBO) in 1977 to manage resources in the Kagera Basin. KBO	on the Kenyan side and the Serengeti National Park on the
	was included in legal frameworks of all the basin countries,	Tanzanian side, both of global conservation significance and
	but momentum faltered in the 80s due to collapse of some	great economic importance.
	economies in the sub-region. The KBO was dissolved in	The Mara River level is lowering, mirroring trends within the
	2004. The Kagera River is the principal contributor of water	catchment area
	to Lake Victoria and is regarded by many as the source of the	The main competing interests for water resources include
	White Nile. 75% of Rwanda and 52% of Burundi are within	large scale irrigation plantations on the Kenyan side, the
	the Kagera River catchment. A number of projects were	Masai Mara and Serengeti Wildlife protected areas, small
	prepared by the KBO and presented at a Donor Conference	scale farmers and pastoralists on both sides of the basin, the
	held in Paris in 1979. Studies were carried out in 1980 and	mining industry in Tanzania, small scale fishing activities and
	the results published in a UNDP report (1982), which	urban and rural domestic water supplies. Further problems
	highlighted agriculture, energy, transport, environment,	are caused by the loss of forest cover in the upper catchments
	industry and health sectors. The NELSAP of the NBI is now	and along rivers, unsustainable agricultural practices,
	moving moving forward with a strategy and plan for basin	pollution threats from urban settlements, and mining
	management and development. But is presently unable to	A number of public and private sector initiatives are in the
	initiate projects due to a lack of funding from member	area tackling management of natural resources and a
	countries.	thorough analysis would be required before any project
	The Kagera river basin integrated water resources	formulation.
	management project aims to develop tools and a permanent	Major initiatives currently include the NBI/ NELSAP Project for
	institution for the joint, sustainable management of the	Development of a Framework for Co-operative management
	water resources in the Kagera Basin.	of the Mara River Basin water resources aimed at establishing
	Observed tendencies show Akagera valley sensitive to	a sustainable framework for the joint management of the
	current climate variability and there is receive increasing	water resources of the Mara River Basin, in order to prepare
	migration from more densely populated regions resulting in	for sustainable development oriented investments
	natural resources degradation.	World Bank funded Natural Resource Management project
	A number of public and private sector initiatives are in the	and the NORAD and USAID funded Mara River Basin
	area tackling management of natural resources and a	Management Initiative (MRBMI), two of whose goals are to
	thorough analysis would be required before any project	improve water quality / quantity and to conserve biodiversity
	formulation. Key actors include the riparians, NBI (NELSPA),	in the Mara River basin.
	LVBC, EAC, WWF, UNDP, UNEP, GEF	Key actors include the governments of Kenya and Tanzania,

		NBI (NELSAP), LVBC, EAC, WWF, UNDP, UNEP, GEF
Ease of buy-in from governments,	Need to identify entry points and involve the key actors	Need to identify entry points and involve the key actors from
River Basin Organisation,	from the onset, clearly articulating GWP's role and 'value	the onset, clearly articulating GWP's role and 'value added'
Regional Economic Community,	added'	
regional AMCOW TAC		
Ease of mobilisation	Country water partnerships and strong political will in place	Country water partnerships and strong political will in place
Relevant past and on-going	Kagera is a sub-basin within the Lake Victoria Basin and the	Mara is a sub-basin within the Lake Victoria Basin and the Nile
processes	Nile Basin. GWP-EnA has past and on-going initiatives with	Basin. GWP-EnA has past and on-going initiatives with the
	the LVBC, the NBI and the 4 Kagera basin countries.	LVBC, the NBI and the basin countries.
Potential to attract additional	UNDP, GEF, AWF	UNDP, GEF, AWF
funding and source		
Priority Number	1	2