

The proposed outline and format of the basin assessments

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Basin assessment

- 2 versions:
 - a detailed version
 - Circulated for comments by the national administration/sectors of the riparian countries
 - Contains information collected, tables, graphs etc.
 - a short version (about 20 pages)
 - Synthetic, visual
 - a part of the stock-taking report containing the overall conclusions to be published
 - Reviewed by the Task Force and presented to the IWRM Working Group



Outline of the basin assessment

- Geography of the basin
- Institutional assessment
- Brief overview of the sectors and resources of riparian countries
- Economic relevance of the basin
- National policies
- Selected transboundary issues with intersectoral impacts
- Possible intersectoral transboundary solutions
- Conclusions and recommendations
- Annexes: Comparative review of countries based on World Development Indicators, Basin indicators



Supporting maps and graphics

- 1) A graphical matrix of the main resources available, used and relative scarcity at the basin level
- 2) A graphic presenting the main nexus interlinkages for each basin
- 3) A visual synthesis of the salient characteristics the sectors/resources in the different countries (e.g. information about the energy mix, importance of agriculture for the economy etc.)
- 4) Maps highlighting selected aspects in the nexus, integrating different sectors (e.g. the distribution of key agricultural areas, location of water infrastructure;
If needed (e.g. due to scale issues), to be complemented with a zoomed-in map(s)
- 5) Projection of the resource nexus into the future, compared to the current situation