

20th anniversary of the entry into force of the Water Convention

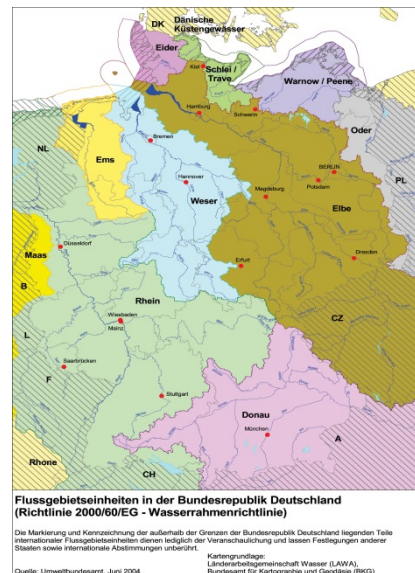
Testimonial - Heide Jekel (Germany)

The Convention has been an important guidance for several treaties on river basin commissions to which Germany is a Party. The Water Convention's working structure offers a unique platform for Germany to exchange knowledge and experience, with other UNECE countries, but already also beyond the UNECE region as well as with numerous organizations and NGOs.

Germany shares 8 river basins with its neighbors and is Party to six international river basin commissions, including Rhine, Danube, Elbe and Oder.



Germany – in the middle of Europe



I am looking forward to accessions from outside the UNECE region to the Convention in the next years. I am excited on how the Water Convention will continue to tackle the current big issues (e.g. water-food-energy-ecosystems nexus, climate change and adaptation) and how we can contribute to implementation of the SDGs, especially SDG 6 on water.