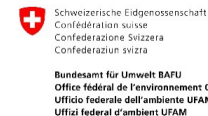


# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE GLOBAL WORKSHOP ON CONJUNCTIVE MANAGEMENT OF SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER

*Sonja Koeppel, Secretary to the Water Convention*



# The 1992 Water Convention

*Protects and ensures the quantity, quality and sustainable use of transboundary **surface and groundwater** resources by **facilitating cooperation**.*

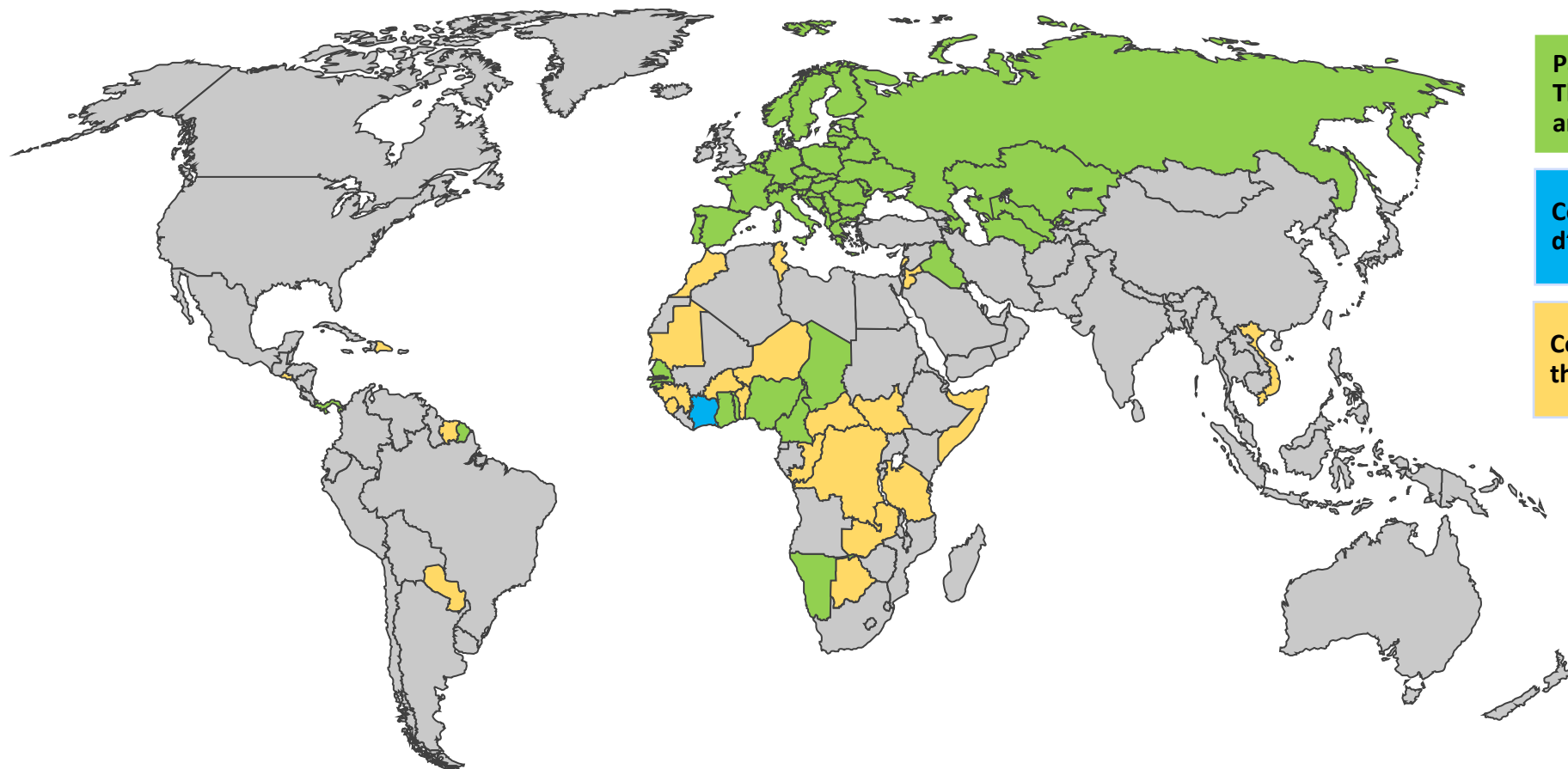
Global legal and institutional framework for transboundary water cooperation contributing to sustainable development, peace and climate action.

Implementation, through facilitating cooperation, developing agreements, progress reporting, developing guidelines (e.g. Model Provisions on Transboundary Groundwaters), promoting the exchange of experiences, etc.

**Open to all UN member states.** Currently **52** parties, with accessions in 2023 by Nigeria, Iraq, Namibia, Panama and the Gambia.



# Globalization of the Water Convention



Parties to the Convention (52) – newest:  
The Gambia, Panama, Namibia, Nigeria  
and Iraq (2023)

Countries very close to accession: Côte  
d'Ivoire

Countries in the process of accession to  
the Convention (>20)

Globalization guided by the **Strategy for the implementation of the Water Convention at global level**

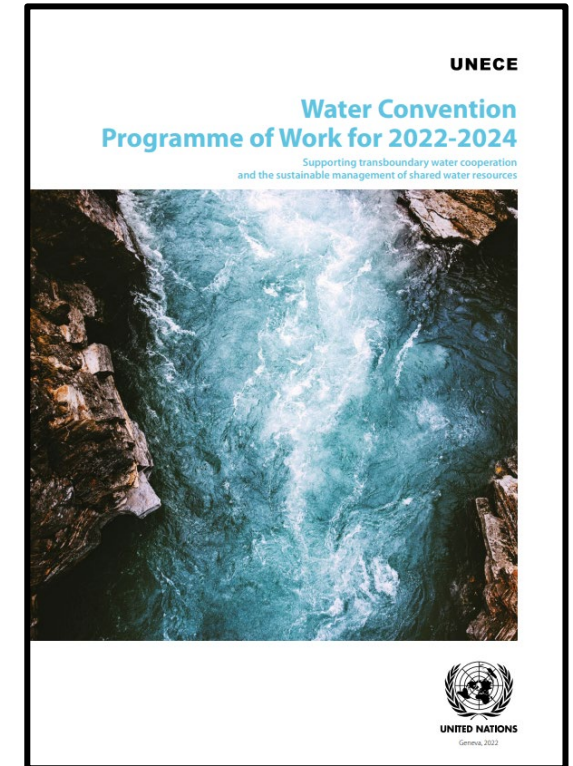


# Global Workshop on Conjunctive Management

Programme Area 3 in the Programme of Work 2022-2024: Promoting an integrated and intersectoral approach to water resources management at all levels

*Promote IWRM in transboundary basins by organizing a global workshop on the conjunctive management of surface water and groundwater.*

The Global Workshop is organized under the leadership of **Estonia and Slovenia** as lead parties of the Programme Area.



# Objectives of the Global Workshop

- **Increase understanding** of the importance, needs and benefits of Conjunctive Water Management in national and transboundary contexts.
- **Empower participants** through sharing practical tools, solutions and best practices for the promotion of effective and sustainable Conjunctive Water Management.
- **Discuss next steps** related to advancing Conjunctive Water Management in the framework of the Water Convention in the context of transboundary water cooperation and beyond.

**Conclusions** from the workshop will be presented to the Working Group on Monitoring and Assessment and the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management, supporting the preparation of the Water Convention Programme of Work for 2025-2027.



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# Partners



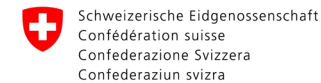
REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA  
MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
AND SPATIAL PLANNING



The global workshop is organized under the auspices of the **Water Convention** serviced by **UNECE**, under the leadership of the **Ministry of Climate of Estonia** and the **Ministry of Natural Resources and Spatial Planning of the Republic of Slovenia**



The Global Workshop is funded by the governments of **Finland, Sweden and Switzerland** as well as **GEF IW:LEARN**.



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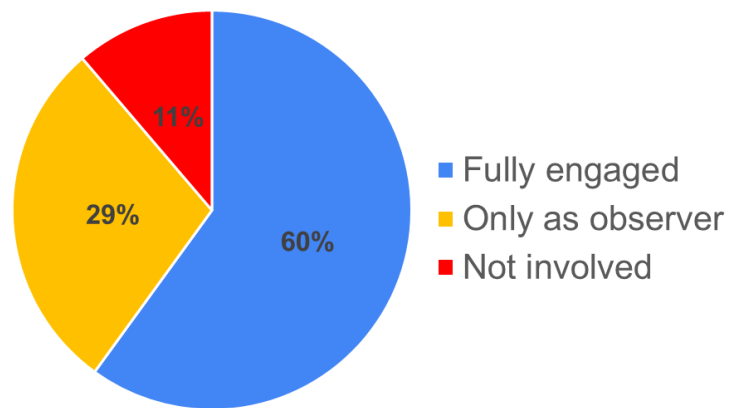
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the World-wide Groundwater Organisation

# Workshop Preparations

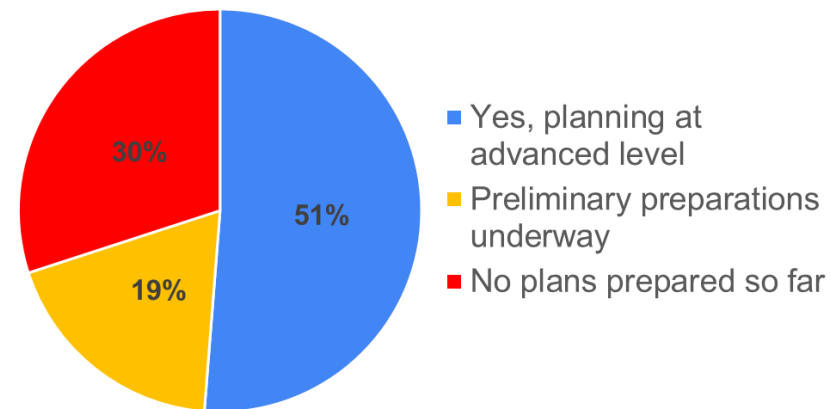
A **Technical Note** was prepared by partners to provide more information on Conjunctive Water Management.

A **Questionnaire** was circulated to participants to gather information on participation in activities on Conjunctive Water Management.

**Q1: To what extent you are engaged in projects in conjunctive management of water resources.**



**Q2: Is your organization planning to implement project(s) on the conjunctive management of water resources?**



# Thank you!



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