## **DECISIONS**

## of the fourteenth meeting of the Task Force on Water and Climate, 28 February 2024

## The Task Force:

- welcomed the outcomes of the Global workshop on droughts in transboundary basins, encouraged the participants to apply them and transmit them to the relevant institutions and agencies in their countries and basins, for example, responsible for water, climate change, disaster risk reduction, agriculture, energy and biodiversity;
- entrusted the secretariat to transmit the workshop outcomes to UNFCCC, CBD, UNCCD, the Convention on Wetlands incl. to their COP presidencies and to other relevant international processes and organisations such as FAO and UNDRR;
- appreciated the recent progress and achievements within the Global network of basins working on climate change adaptation and encouraged other transboundary basins to join the Global network;
- encouraged more basins to address climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction at the transboundary level.
- welcomed the inclusion of water and transboundary cooperation into the outcomes of COP28, especially the global goal on adaptation;
- asked the secretariat to contribute to further discussions on the global goal on adaptation and other UNFCCC processes with a view to operationalize the references to water and particularly transboundary cooperation;
- asked the secretariat under the guidance of the co-chairs to develop an action-oriented document on how transboundary aspects of water management can be mainstreamed into national climate documents such as, for example, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs);
- encouraged countries to mainstream transboundary aspects of water management into national climate documents such as, for example, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and to liaise with colleagues responsible for climate change issues and disaster risk reduction also in preparation to the UNFCCC COP 29.
- underlined the importance of financing for water, particularly financing adaptation of water and transboundary cooperation through climate funds and asked the secretariat to liaise with climate funds to ask for prioritizing such financing.
- encouraged countries and basins to develop further cooperation with regional organizations integrating transboundary adaptation on the basin level into regional strategies and processes.
- encourage participants to mobilize experts for the workshop on flood reconstruction and prevention, planned by Slovenia back-to-back with the 10th session of the Meeting of the Parties on 23-25 October 2024 in Ljubljana, Slovenia;
- asked the secretariat and co-chairs to include the outcomes of the discussions on future activities on climate change into the draft programme of work for 2025-2027 of the Water

Convention to be presented to the joint meeting of the working Groups on IWRM and on monitoring and assessment;

- thanked partners for their cooperation and encouraged them to cooperate further with the Water Convention in the area of climate change adaptation in transboundary basins.