



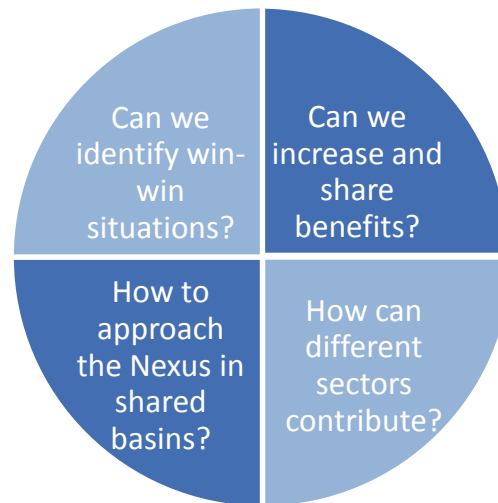
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## Sharing benefits of transboundary waters across sectors and countries

The session will showcase examples and approaches for advancing transboundary cooperation through sharing benefits across sectors and borders, therefore contributing to advancing regional development, integration, and stability

**When?** Tuesday 14 April 2015  
17:00-19:00

**Where?** Daegu, Daegu Exco  
3F Room 306 (DEC\_303)



### Objectives of the session

- Increase the understanding of the broad range of possible benefits generated by transboundary water cooperation
- Discuss how a Nexus – or inter-sectoral – approach to managing interlinked resources in a transboundary basin can improve governance across sectors and borders

## *Session description*

Common to most country development agendas are water, food and energy security and healthy ecosystems to provide for sustainable development and improved livelihoods. But planning in those sectors commonly takes place in isolation. Cooperation on transboundary waters across sectors and countries in the basin can result in reconciling different water uses and in generating a wide range of benefits, reaching well beyond the water sector.

## *Programme*

### *Facilitator of the session:*

Mr. Aaron Wolf, Oregon State University

### *Introductory remarks*

Ms. Naoko Ishii, CEO and Chairperson, Global Environment Facility

Mr. Harry Liiv, Deputy Secretary General, Ministry of the Environment, Estonia

### *Setting the scene: the benefits from transboundary water cooperation viewed- a sectoral of Nexus approach?*

Mr. Jeremy Bird, Director General, International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

Mr. Mark Smith, Director of the Global Water Programme, International Union for Conservation of Nature(IUCN)

Dr. Ulrike Pokorski, German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ)

### *Panel discussion: Mechanisms to improve inter-sectoral coordination and share benefits of transboundary cooperation*

Mr. Dejan Komatina, Secretary, International Sava River Basin Commission

Mr. John rao Nyaoro, Executive Director, Nile Basin Initiative (NBI)

Mr. Anoulak Kittikhoun, Programme Coordinator, Mekong River Commission Secretariat (MRC)

Mr. Aaron Wolf, Professor, Oregon State University

Mr. Sulton Rahimzoda, First Deputy Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Tajikistan

### *Interactive discussion in groups – the benefits of a Nexus approach to transboundary water management*

#### *Facilitators:*

Mr. Christian Severin, GEF; Mr. Giorgio Faedo, UNESCO; Ms. Chantal Demilecamps, UNECE

### *Bringing the outcomes back together*

Mr. Seppo Rekolainen, Director, Finnish Environment Institute

### *Concluding remarks*

Ms. Alice Aureli, Chief of Groundwater Systems and Human settlements Section, UNESCO IHP

