

Implementation of transboundary investment programs

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- Transboundary Water Resources, what do we do?
- Regional investment criteria
- How to identify and prepare investment projects
- The role of Regional Organisations.....
- ...and their challenges
- Food for thought and exchange

German Development Cooperation in Transboundary Water Resources in Africa

Programmes in Regional Cooperation

Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC)

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Niger Basin Authority (ABN)

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Nile Basin Initiative (NBI)

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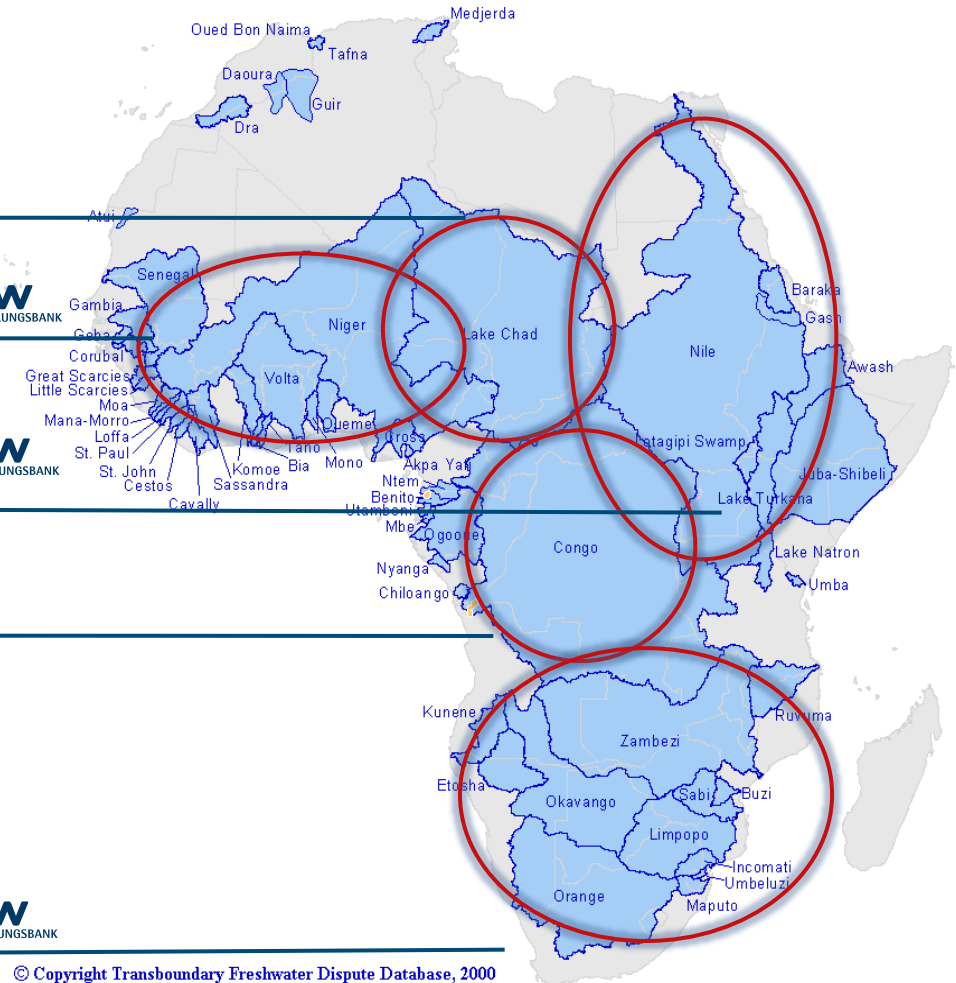


Commission Internationale du Bassin Congo-Oubangui-Sangha (CICOS)

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SADC Water Sector and RBOs

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- Total commitment / portfolio built up to 52 million EUR, thereof
 - 27.5 m EUR technical cooperation
 - 24.5 m EUR financial cooperation
 - Additional 7.8 m EUR delegated co-operations
- Technical & financial support is provided on
 - panafrican level (AMCOW / AUC)
 - regional level (RECs / RBOs)
 - national level (Member States)
- Germany supports more transboundary RBOs than any other bilateral development partner

Regional consultation & agreement

- at least general consent on RBO level
- joint planning
- joint project monitoring by REC and RBO representatives

Impact on transboundary water resource / riparian states

- Measurable impact on transboundary level (cost, benefit, risk)
- Joint (transboundary) investments
- Financial contribution by riparian states

GIZ and KfW support to RECs/ROs for development of regional investment projects

Phase 1: Enabling environment

- *Support to establishment of transboundary cooperation frameworks and institutional strengthening of Regional Organisations*
- *Support to development and harmonisation of relevant policies*
- *Support to development of water resources knowledge base*

Phase 2: Project identification

- *Support to development of basin water resources management and investment plans*
- *Strengthening capacity to prepare bankable projects*

Phase 3: Project feasibility

- *Financing of feasibility studies*
- *Support to source financing*

Phase 4: Project implementation

- *Financing of implementation*
- *Strengthening capacity of joint / cross border operators*

ROs can play a predominant role in e.g.:

- pushing harmonization of national laws, agreements, guidelines... of member states
- preparing agreements between states
- strengthening cooperation
- mitigating conflicts
- negotiating trade-offs
- lobbying for financing (public / private)

Thus ROs are crucial for regional and local development

BUT – there are often bottlenecks that hinder development

RO driven:

- bureaucracy and formalism often hinder action and implementation
- weak institutions and lack of performance prevent prioritized regional investment plans.....
- which makes it difficult to develop bankable projects
- staff fluctuation often high which constrain institutional memory and continuity
- many ROs acting in the same region with similar mandate (loss of efficiency)

Member States (MS) / Development partner driven:

- MS often don't or irregularly pay their contributions
- Development partner and MS often overload the duty list of the ROs with new upcoming themes - ROs can't stick to their core mandate
- Development partners and MS have a too high expectation what ROs should deliver
- Remaining preferences often national approaches?

- Despite all our efforts we are still facing a lack of sound regional project proposals. Why?
- Are ROs still not sufficiently staffed or is there a missing capacity within the national member organizations?
- Do ROs need additional support for project identification?
- Do the communication channels between ROs and national member organizations need improvement?
- How to increase trust and confidence between neighbouring countries? There are relatively few proposals with benefit sharing arrangements / joint infrastructure investments.
- How do ROs in Africa cope with the concept of subsidiarity?

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