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## **Second Workshop on Transboundary Flood Risk Management Geneva, 19-20 March 2015**

Conference Room VII of the Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

### **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

THURSDAY – 19 March 2015

#### **08:00-10:00 Registration**

#### **10:00-10:20 Opening Session, Welcome by the Organizers**

- Background of the workshop
- Aims of the workshop

#### **10:20-10:40 Setting the Scene: Presentation on Integrated Transboundary Flood Risk Management - Giacomo Teruggi, WMO**

#### **10:40-12:30 Session 1: Flood Forecasting; Moderated By Giacomo Teruggi, WMO**

- INTRODUCTION TO SESSION (10 min) – Giacomo Teruggi, WMO
  - Background on Flood forecasting
  - Questions
- PRESENTATION BY CHINDWIN BASIN (MYANMAR) (15 minutes, 5 min discussion) - HtayHtay Than, Hydrological Division, Department of Meteorology and Hydrology, Myanmar
- PANEL DISCUSSION on establishing transboundary flood forecasting and data exchange (55 min)
  - PANJ RIVER (AFGHANISTAN/TAJIKISTAN) - Karimjon Abdualimov, Tajik Hydro Met Service, Tajikistan

- PRUT RIVER (ROMANIA/UKRAINE/MOLDOVA) – Mikhail Penkov, National Consultant on "Climate Change and Security in the Dniester River Basin", Moldova
- GANGES BRAHMAPUTRA MEGHNA BASIN (INDIA/CHINA/NEPAL / BANGLADESH / BHUTAN) – Mohammad Monowar Hossain, Institute of Water Modelling, Bangladesh
- NILE BASIN (EGYPT/SUDAN) – Tahani Moustafa Sileet, Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt
- QUESTIONS FROM THE PLENARY (25 min)

**Lunch 12:30-14:30, with a special session on flood risk management without interpretation**

**14:30-15:00 Session 2: Measures**

- DANUBE (AUSTRIA/ BULGARIA/ BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA /CROATIA /CZECH REPUBLIC/ GERMANY / HUNGARY / MOLDOVA/ MONTENEGRO / ROMANIA/ SLOVAKIA/ SLOVENIA/ SERBIA/ UKRAINE) (10 min, 5 min discussion) – Mary-Jean Adler, National Institute of Hydrology and Water Management, Department for Waters, Forests and Fisheries, Romania
- FORON HERAMCE AND MARQUET-SWALLOWED-VENGERON BASINS (SWITZERLAND/FRANCE) (10 min, 5 min discussion), Marianne Gfeller Quitian, Department for renaturation of water courses (Service de renaturation des cours d'eau) – Directorate General for Water - State of Geneva

**15:00-18:00 SITE VISIT ON FLOOD MEASURES IN GENEVA CANTON**

- Visit of Swiss-French flood protection measures, a coordination programme of joint actions

**19:30 Self-paid dinner (venue tbc)**

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**09:30-12:30 Session 3: Flood Risk Management Planning; Moderated by Steven Wade, MET Office, UK**

- INTRODUCTION TO SESSION (5 minutes) Steven Wade, MET Office, UK

- RHINE (AUSTRIA/THE BELGIAN REGION OF WALLONIA/FRANCE/GERMANY/ITALY/LIECHTENSTEIN/LUXEMBURG /NETHERLANDS/ SWITZERLAND) (15 min, 5min discussion), Adrian Schmid-Breton, International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine,
  - Flood risk management plans
  - Progress over time
- AMUR (RUSSIA/CHINA) (15min, 5 min discussion), Eugene Simonov, Rivers without Boundaries International Coalition
  - Risk mapping
- TISZA (ROMANIA/ UKRAINE / HUNGARY/ SLOVAKIA) (15min, 5 min discussion), Viktor Durkot, Tisza River Basin Water Resources Directorate, Ukraine
  - Flood risk management plans
  - Progress since 2009
- DNIESTER (UKRAINE/REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA) (20min, 5 min discussion), Olexandr Bon, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine, Gherman Bejenaru, State Hydrometeorological Service, Republic of Moldova
  - Flood management plan development
  - Progress since 2009

### **11:00-11:15 Coffee Break**

- BREAK OUT GROUPS on developing transboundary flood risk management plans (50 min)
- REPORTING BACK (25 min)

### **Lunch 12:30-14:30**

### **14:30-16:10 Session 4: Institutional arrangements; Moderated by Jos Timmermann, Wageningen University, Alterra, Netherlands**

- INTRODUCTION TO SESSION (10 min), Marloes Bakker, Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development, Utrecht University, Netherlands

- PRESENTATION ON THE BUG RIVER (UKRAINE, POLAND, BELARUS) (10 min) , Vladimir Korneev, Central Research Institute for Complex Use of Water Resources, Belarus
- PANEL DISCUSSION ON transboundary legal and institutional arrangements, CHALLENGES AND NEEDS (50 min)
  - DRIN-BUNA RIVER BASIN (ALBANIA), Irfan Tarelli, Ministry of Agriculture, Albania TBD
  - BUG RIVER (UKRAINE, POLAND, BELARUS) , Vladimir Korneev, Central Research Institute for Complex Use of Water Resources, Belarus
  - LOGONE RIVER (CHAD-CAMROON) –Younane Nelngar, Ministry of Livestock and Water, Chad
- QUESTIONS FROM THE PLENARY (30 min)

**16:10-16:30 Conclusions and Recommendations**