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International River Basin Register

<http://www.transboundarywaters.orst.edu/database/interriverbasinreg.html>

International River Basin Organization (RBO) Database

<http://www.transboundarywaters.orst.edu/research/RBO/index.html>

Case Studies - Water Conflict Resolution

[http://www.transboundarywaters.orst.edu/research/case\\_studies/index.html](http://www.transboundarywaters.orst.edu/research/case_studies/index.html) \

**List of web-sites of River Basin Commissions and Other Joint Bodies**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Countries</b>	<b>Website</b>	<b>Region</b>
Inco-Maputo Tripartite Permanent Technical Committee	Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland	<a href="http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/120">http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/120</a>	Africa
International Commission of Congo-Oubangui-Sangha	Cameroun, Central African Republic, Congo, Congo, D.R. Congo	<a href="http://www.cicos.info/">http://www.cicos.info/</a>	Africa
Joint Authority for the Management of the Nubian Sandstone Aquifer System	Chad, Egypt, Libya, Sudan	<a href="http://www-naweb.iaea.org/napc/ih/IHS_projects_nubian_efforts.html">http://www-naweb.iaea.org/napc/ih/IHS_projects_nubian_efforts.html</a>	Africa
Kunene Permanent Joint Technical Commission	Angola, Namibia	<a href="http://www.kunenerak.com/">http://www.kunenerak.com/</a> <a href="http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/63">http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/63</a>	Africa
Lake Chad Basin Commission	Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Niger, Nigeria	<a href="http://www.lakechadbc.org/">http://www.lakechadbc.org/</a> <a href="http://lakechad.iwlearn.org">http://lakechad.iwlearn.org</a>	Africa
Lake Tanganyika Authority	Burundi, D.R. Congo, Tanzania, Zambia	<a href="http://lta.iwlearn.org/">http://lta.iwlearn.org/</a>	Africa
Lake Victoria Basin Commission	Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	<a href="http://www.lvbcom.org/">http://www.lvbcom.org/</a>	Africa
Lesotho Highlands Development Authority	Lesotho, South Africa	<a href="http://www.lhwp.org.ls/">http://www.lhwp.org.ls/</a>	Africa
Limpopo Water Course Commission	Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa, Zimbabwe	<a href="http://www.limcom.org/">http://www.limcom.org/</a> <a href="http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/60">http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/60</a>	Africa
Niger Basin Authority	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Nigeria	<a href="http://www.abn.ne/">http://www.abn.ne/</a>	Africa
Nile Basin Initiative	Burundi, DR Congo, Egypt, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda	<a href="http://www.nilebasin.org/">http://www.nilebasin.org/</a>	Africa

Orange-Senqu River Commission	Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa	<a href="http://www.orasecom.org">http://www.orasecom.org</a> <a href="http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/62">http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/62</a>	Africa
Permanent Okavango River Basin Water Commission	Angola, Botswana, Namibia	<a href="http://www.okacom.org/">http://www.okacom.org/</a>	Africa
Ruvuma Joint Water Commission	Mozambique, Tanzania	<a href="http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/65">http://www.icp-confluence-sadc.org/rbo/65</a>	Africa
Sahara and Sahel Observatory	Algeria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Cape Verde, Chad, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, France, Gambia, Germany, Guinea Bissau, Ivory Coast, Italy, Kenya, Libya, Mali, Morocco, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Somalia, Soudan, Switzerland, Tunisia, Uganda – AMU, CARI, CILSS, CEN-SAD, FAO, IGAD, LCBC, UNCCD, UNESCO	<a href="http://www.oss-online.org">www.oss-online.org</a>	Africa
Senegal River Basin Development Organisation	Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal	<a href="http://www.omvs.org">http://www.omvs.org</a>	Africa
Volta Basin Authority	Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Togo	<a href="http://www.abv-volta.org/">www.abv-volta.org/</a> <a href="http://gefvolta.iwlearn.org/">http://gefvolta.iwlearn.org/</a>	Africa
Zambezi Watercourse Commission	Angola, Botswana, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe	<a href="http://www.zambezicommission.org/">http://www.zambezicommission.org/</a>	Africa
Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission	India, Bangladesh	<a href="http://www.jrcb.gov.bd/index.html">http://www.jrcb.gov.bd/index.html</a>	Asia
Mekong River Commission	Cambodia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Thailand, Viet Nam	<a href="http://www.mrcmekong.org/">http://www.mrcmekong.org/</a>	Asia

Commission for the Implementation and the Development of the Albufeira Convention	Portugal, Spain	<a href="http://portaldaagua.inag.pt/PT/SectorAgua/Europa/Convencoes/Pages/default.aspx">http://portaldaagua.inag.pt/PT/SectorAgua/Europa/Convencoes/Pages/default.aspx</a> <a href="http://www.cadc-albufeira.org/">http://www.cadc-albufeira.org/</a> (not working)	ECE
Commission on the Use of Water Management Facilities of Intergovernmental Status on the Rivers Chu and Talas	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan	<a href="http://www.talachu.org/">http://www.talachu.org/</a>	ECE
Drin Core Group - Global Water Partnership-Mediterranean (GWP-Med)	Albania, Greece, FYR Macedonia, Kosovo (UN administered), Montenegro	<a href="http://www.twrm-med.net/southeastern-europe/supported-processes-and-projects/drin-river-basin">http://www.twrm-med.net/southeastern-europe/supported-processes-and-projects/drin-river-basin</a>	ECE
Finnish-Norwegian Transboundary Water Commission	Finland, Norway	<a href="http://www.ymparisto.fi/default.asp?contentid=118334&amp;lan=en">http://www.ymparisto.fi/default.asp?contentid=118334&amp;lan=en</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Meuse/Maas	Belgium (Brussels-Capital region, Flemish region, Walloon region), France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands	<a href="http://www.meuse-maas.be/">http://www.meuse-maas.be/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of Italo-Swiss Waters	Italy, Switzerland	<a href="http://www.cipais.org/">http://www.cipais.org/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of Lake Constance	Austria, Germany (Baden-Wurttemberg, Bavaria), Switzerland	<a href="http://www.igkb.de/">http://www.igkb.de/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of Lake Geneva	France, Switzerland	<a href="http://www.cipel.org/sp/">http://www.cipel.org/sp/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River	Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Moldova, Romania, Slovakia,	<a href="http://www.icpdr.org/">http://www.icpdr.org/</a>	ECE

	Slovenia, Serbia, Ukraine, European Union		
International Commission for the Protection of the Elbe	Germany, Czech Republic	<a href="http://www.ikse-mkol.de/">http://www.ikse-mkol.de/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of the Oder against Pollution	Germany, Czech Republic, Poland	<a href="http://www.mkoo.pl/">http://www.mkoo.pl/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine	Germany, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Switzerland, European Union	<a href="http://www.iksr.org/">http://www.iksr.org/</a>	ECE
International Commission for the Scheldt	Belgium (Brussels-Capital region, Flemish region, Walloon region), France, Netherlands	<a href="http://www.isc-cie.com/">http://www.isc-cie.com/</a>	ECE
International Commissions for the Protection of Mosel and Saar Against Pollution	For Mosel: France, Germany, and Luxembourg. For Saar: France, Germany	<a href="http://www.iksms-cipms.org">http://www.iksms-cipms.org</a>	ECE
Ems-Dollard estuary	Germany, Netherlands	<a href="http://www.ems-eems.de/">http://www.ems-eems.de/</a>	ECE
International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan	<a href="http://www.ec-ifas.org/">http://www.ec-ifas.org/</a>	ECE
International Sava River Basin Commission	Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Slovenia	<a href="http://www.savacommission.org/">http://www.savacommission.org/</a>	ECE
Interstate Commission for Water Coordination of Central Asia	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan	<a href="http://www.icwc-aral.uz/">http://www.icwc-aral.uz/</a>	ECE
Joint Finnish-Russian Commission on the Utilization of Frontier Waters	Finland, Russian Federation	<a href="http://www.rajavesikomissio.fi/">http://www.rajavesikomissio.fi/</a>	ECE

Administrative Commission for the Uruguay River	Argentine, Uruguay	<a href="http://www.caru.org.uy">http://www.caru.org.uy</a>	LAC
Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization	Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela	<a href="http://www.otca.info/">http://www.otca.info/</a>	LAC
Bi-National Authority of Lake Titicaca	Bolivia, Peru	<a href="http://www.alt-perubolivia.org">http://www.alt-perubolivia.org</a>	LAC
Bi-national Commission for the Development of the upper Bermejo River and Grande de Tarija River Basins	Argentina, Bolivia	<a href="http://www.cobinabe.org">http://www.cobinabe.org</a>	LAC
Intergovernmental Coordinating Committee of La Plata Basin Countries	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay	<a href="http://www.cicplata.org/">http://www.cicplata.org/</a>	LAC
International Commission on Boundary and Water between Mexico and Guatemala, and Mexico and Belize	Mexico, Guatemala, and Mexico, Belize	<a href="http://www.sre.gob.mx/cilasur/">http://www.sre.gob.mx/cilasur/</a>	LAC
Joint Commission of the Parana River	Argentine, Paraguay	<a href="http://www.comip.org.ar">http://www.comip.org.ar</a>	LAC
Mixed Technical Commission of Salto Grande	Argentina, Uruguay	<a href="http://www.saltogrande.org/">http://www.saltogrande.org/</a>	LAC
Great Lakes Commission	Eight States of the United States. Associate members: Ontario and Quebec	<a href="http://www.glc.org/">http://www.glc.org/</a>	North America
International Boundary and Water Commission between United States and Mexico	Mexico, United States	<a href="http://www.ibwc.state.gov/">http://www.ibwc.state.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.sre.gob.mx/cilanorte/">http://www.sre.gob.mx/cilanorte/</a>	North America
International Joint Commission	Canada, United States	<a href="http://www.ijc.org/">http://www.ijc.org/</a>	North America