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Role of Nile Basin Initiative In Domesticating Global Instruments

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The Nile Basin

- Longest River, 6695km
- Basin Area: 3.2 million sq.km, *10% of Africa*;
- *Basin covers 11 Basin countries*
- Population of over 550 million; 272 mill. in the basin
- Low runoff coefficient for most regions (approx. 0.2)
- Endowed with rich natural and environmental assets
- Rich historical heritage



About the Nile Basin Initiative...



Burundi



DR Congo



Egypt



Ethiopia



Kenya



Rwanda



South Sudan



The Sudan

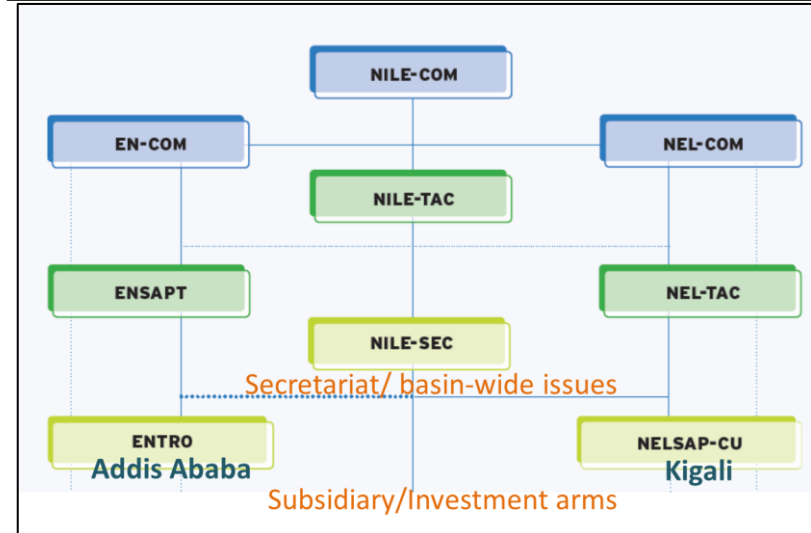
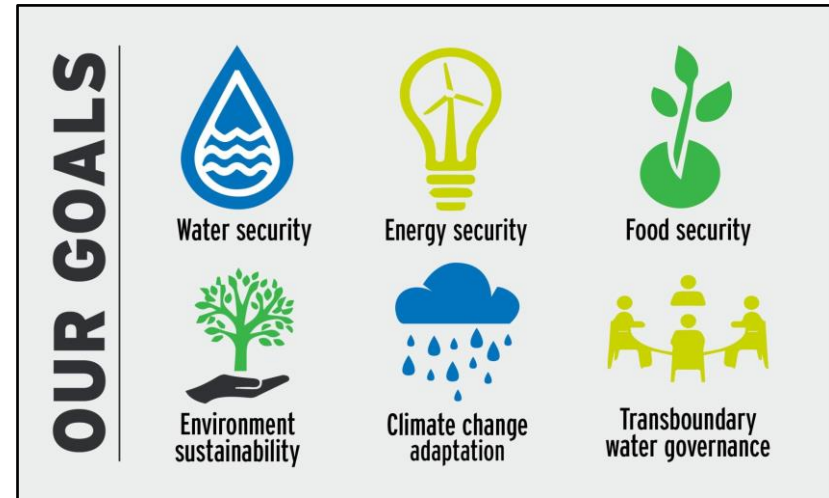


Tanzania



Uganda

- The Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) is an intergovernmental partnership of ten Nile Basin countries:
- Established on February 22, 1999, by Ministers in charge of Water Affairs in the Nile Basin countries.
- The Shared Vision Objective: *“To achieve sustainable social economic development through the equitable utilization of, and benefit from, the common Nile Basin Water resources”*



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fzhdUEgEhgw>



Achievements of 25 years of cooperation – in numbers

1

Vision that brings all Nile Basin countries together

10

Countries work together within the NBI

25

Years of constructive cooperation

>20

Strategies provide policy directions for NBI member countries

10,000

Knowledge products produced by NBI

40,000

People have benefited from capacity building activities through the NBI

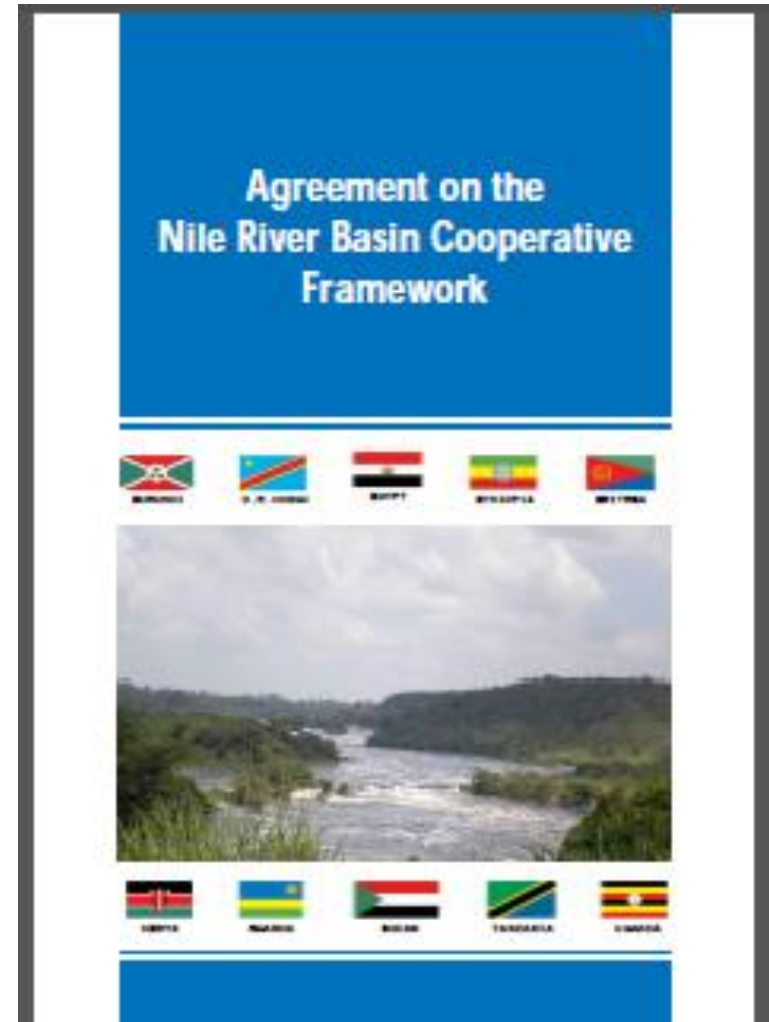
6.5 B US\$

Accumulated investment volume of all finalised projects



Nile Basin Cooperative Framework Agreement (CFA)

- Entry into force – 13 Oct 2024
- Ratified by 6 Riparian States. Process underway in remaining States
- New era of Nile cooperation based on IWL principles *e.g.*
 - duty to cooperate,
 - equitable and reasonable use,
 - no-significant harm, etc.
- Establishes legal basis the **Nile River Basin Commission (NRBC)**- to replace the NBI
- Operationalization of NRBC

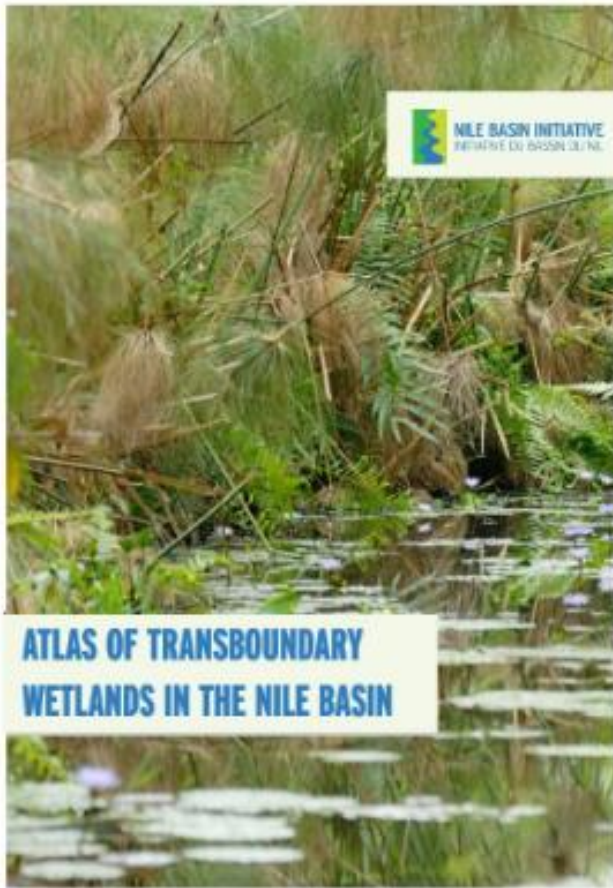


Domesticating Global Instruments – Facilitation Role

- Promoting a culture of cooperation among member states – facilitating dialogue, joint action
- Joint monitoring related resources leveraging
- Facilitating sharing
- Joint analyses of resource availability, demands and pressures – impact of climate change
- Enhancing regional and national capacities/ training
- Preparation and implementation of transboundary water projects – win-win benefits of cooperation



Key resources



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