



**CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION PROGRAM
WATER PILLAR - REGIONAL WORKSHOP
29-30 November 2022
Hyatt Regency Hotel
Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan**

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

I. Introduction

1. In line with the provision of CAREC's Strategy 2030 to establish a Water Pillar, a series of consultations were held at national and regional levels since 2020 resulting in development of an agreed framework for cooperation, initially covering the Central Asia region. The background analysis undertaken to support development of the Water Pillar and the resulting framework of three thematic blocks are summarized in the scoping report published in January 2021.¹
2. A longlist of project proposals magnifying the three thematic blocks of the Water Pillar was circulated in August 2022 to relevant stakeholders in the region (both government and non-government agencies) which provided the basis for discussions at the Workshop.
3. The aims of the Regional Workshop were (i) to support identification of a shortlist of initial priority activities to be further developed under the Water Pillar; and (ii) to provide inputs on the composition and role of the Water Pillar sector working group.
4. Following the opening plenary session, the Workshop featured three intensive breakout working group sessions focusing on the three blocks of the Water Pillar framework. Later the key suggestions from each group were presented to the plenary session. The final program for the Workshop is given in Attachment 1.
5. Approximately 60 participants attended the Regional Workshop in person comprising representatives of:
 - Government agencies from the five Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) including the nominated focal points for the Water Pillar

¹ [CAREC Water Pillar Scoping Report | CAREC Program Publication](#)

- Intergovernmental organizations, including the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (IFAS), Interstate Commission for Water Cooperation (ICWC) and Basin Water Organizations (BWOs)
- Regional organizations, including the CAREC Institute
- Development partners
- Asian Development Bank and TA consultants.

6. Other participants unable to travel to Tashkent joined the plenary sessions of the workshop virtually. A full list of participants is given in Attachment 2.

II. Workshop Highlights

7. **Opening session:** The opening remarks of the Workshop were given by Mr Enrico Pinali, Deputy Director and Officer in Charge of ADB's Uzbekistan Resident Mission. Mr Pinali emphasized the need for closer cooperation among countries of the region to address the challenges of greater unpredictability of river flows and more extreme weather events as a consequence of climate change. He welcomed the opportunity to host such regional dialogues in-person now that restrictions related to the pandemic had eased and looked forward to constructive discussions to generate ideas for the initial priority projects of the CAREC Water Pillar.

8. On behalf of the Minister of Water Resources of the host country Uzbekistan, Mr Bakhtiyar Kamalov, Director of the Center for Implementation of Foreign Investment Projects in the Water Sector, welcomed delegates to the Workshop. He projected that pressures on water resources in transboundary rivers of the region will increase dramatically as temperatures rise and drought conditions become more frequent. In response, he noted each country will need to increase the efficiency of water use, citing the steps being taken in Uzbekistan under the recently approved Strategy for Water Resources and Irrigation. In welcoming the opportunity for this dialogue, he encouraged countries to intensify existing mechanisms for cooperation, and develop joint targeted activities.



9. Joining virtually from Dushanbe, Mr Sulton Rahimzoda, Chair of the Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (EC-IFAS)

welcomed the CAREC Water Pillar initiative and the opportunities it presents for cooperation with the Aral Sea Basin Program 4 (ASBP4) of IFAS. He referred to a recent meeting of Deputy Prime Ministers from the region and their call to strengthen programs for regional cooperation. Mr Rahimzoda noted the importance of information and data exchange for the types of projects being considered in the Workshop and highlighted the role that the inter-governmental platform IFAS provides. Next year will be the 30th anniversary of IFAS and Mr Rahimzoda looked forward to welcoming participants to an IFAS Summit meeting being planned for May/June 2023.

10. The opening speeches were followed by two presentations, first by Kazuhiro Yoshida, ADB project officer for the CAREC Water Pillar, who placed its development within the overall context of regional cooperation in the region and the challenges facing water resources. As part of his presentation, Mr Yoshida showed a video prepared recently for the Ministerial Conference of CAREC, entitled “*CAREC at 22: Working Together for Shared Prosperity*”.² This was followed by a presentation by Jeremy Bird, TA team leader, who outlined the longlist of projects tabled as the basis for discussion at the Workshop and described the process of group discussions for narrowing the ideas down to a set of shortlist priority projects.

11. The plenary session concluded with a short presentation of two international examples of good practice to set the scene for the first of three breakout discussions. They covered (i) a drought information and early warning in Spain and (ii) a review of global experiences of implementing modern irrigation technology and need for an integrated approach in order to achieve ‘real’ water savings.

12. Each breakout session had approximately two hours for discussion. Participants were encouraged to review the activities listed under each of the longlist proposals and then present their ideas to the group in terms of scope, location and nature of expected benefits. All participants were then asked to indicate their preferences by attaching a maximum of five indicative ‘votes’ to the activities they considered most relevant. A group discussion followed to review the outcome and prepare a statement for presentation to plenary. The intention of the preference voting system was to provide an indication of priority topics from the group for further discussion rather than provide an absolute scoring system.

13. **Breakout session – Block 1: Climate resilient and productive water systems.** Three proposals were presented in the longlist for Block 1 and discussed by each of the three breakout groups.

- 1.1 Strengthening climate adaptive management in a shared tributary basin
- 1.2 Achieving regional benefits from modernized, climate resilient irrigation systems
- 1.3 Upgrading disaster risk management systems for droughts, floods and heat stress

² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YeubF-gyhdo>

14. Feedback from the three groups highlighted a number of areas of interest, many of which were common across the groups:

- modernization of hydromet systems and monitoring of glacier conditions and groundwater conditions (quantity and quality) with related improvements in databases and data sharing across the region
- improvements in dam safety, in the Sirdarya river (e.g., on the Bahri Tojik (Kairokum and Kirov dams) and Amudarya river (e.g., Kir-Ku, Gara-Ata)
- studies for climate resilience and improvements of groundwater monitoring and mapping system with measures for conservation of water use
- creation of a capacity at national and regional levels for integrated water-energy simulation modeling
- regional knowledge exchange on modernization of irrigation systems and support to improvements in water productivity
- reduction in salinity including review of current regional working group arrangements (also relevant to Block 2 discussions)
- capacity for managing droughts and floods, including introduction of drought resistant crops

15. Participants across all three breakout sessions pointed to the importance of linking further development of the priority projects to relevant components of the ASBP4 of IFAS.

16. **Breakout session - Block 2: Sustainable water resources and water services.** International examples presented to introduce the discussions in Block 2 included (i) the approach to inter-State cooperation on salinity management in Australia and adoption of a sequence of basin-wide salinity strategies initiated in the mid-1980s, and (ii) an example on implementing an integrated basin management plan from the Danube river basin in response to concerns over deteriorating water quality.

17. Four proposals were presented in the longlist for Block 2 and discussed by each of the three breakout groups.

- 2.1 Introducing a more efficient and sustainable service model for irrigation and water supply
- 2.2 Managing salinity levels and water quality in a whole basin context
- 2.3 Promoting a circular economy approach for the safe reuse of treated wastewater
- 2.4 Promoting multiple benefits from ecosystem-based approaches and nature-based solutions

18. Feedback from the three group discussions included:

- measures to improve the performance of irrigated systems and transboundary canals, including water productivity monitoring using remote sensing, feasibility studies for modernization of irrigation

assets, application of a differentiated tariff for water, and development of manuals and best practice guidelines

- consideration of pilot projects on institutional and tariff reforms and introduction of a Water Operators' Partnership for capacity building of agency management
- integrated salinity strategy for the region, including introduction of a digitalized water quality monitoring system for key parameters including toxic salts, application of experience from International Center for Biosaline Agriculture on saline tolerant crops, and innovations in the management of saline lands
- a move towards closed cycle systems for irrigation and industrial water use (reduced waste flows) and study to assess the viability of urban wastewater reuse considering water and soil quality and water productivity in the Central Asia context, including establishment of a regional expert group on reuse.
- a review of legislation on the use of recycled waters and possible harmonization
- support to ongoing efforts for the mapping of ecosystem services.

19. In addition, there was also a call during the plenary feedback session for consideration of supporting water supply and sanitation services to 100,000 people in each of the five countries, involving a mix of 'hard' and 'soft' investments.



20. **Breakout session – Block 3: Nexus solutions and cross sector learning.** International examples presented to introduce the discussions in Block 3 included (i) an integrated water-energy modeling tool that incorporates the interconnectivity between the sectors when exploring potential development options, and (ii) an example of a benefit and cost-sharing arrangement for major transboundary infrastructure on the Senegal river in West Africa.

21. Three proposals were presented in the longlist for Block 3 and discussed by each of the three breakout groups.

3.1 Promoting coordinated management of co-financing infrastructure

3.2 Expanding renewable energy options in water systems

3.3 Strengthening human resource capacity for climate resilient management systems

22. Feedback from the three group discussions included:

- establishing regional capability for integrated water-energy modeling including assessment of the potential for renewable energy, for example on the Syrdarya or Zarafshan rivers
- strengthening of human capacity through improvement of curricula and training materials
- potential for learning from existing arrangements for co-financing transboundary projects and support to upgrading draft agreements and institutional processes
- exploring the potential for integrated development of small hydropower including role of public-private partnerships
- undertaking a capacity needs assessment for applied research on climate resilience.

23. Having heard feedback from each of the three breakout groups, there was time for delegates to reflect on the output of the discussions as a whole. Comments included:

- there is already consensus forming around the need for improved water monitoring and water accounting and support projects can now be defined
- water monitoring is a concern of all countries and although this is covered by the 1998 Agreement, closer links between water and energy management may lead to updating some of its provisions
- support under the Water Pillar will have both institutional and infrastructure components. Under the institutional aspect, there is broad agreement that institutions already exist but that they do need strengthening. For infrastructure, there is a need for more automated systems, for support to modernizing irrigation and drainage systems and introducing water saving technologies. Also, there remains a substantial need for provision of clean water and sanitation under SDG 6.
- Blocks 1, 2, and 3 are all relevant to the challenges facing the region
- it is important to remember that technical support alone is not always a solution and the institutional aspects also need to be addressed. Training is also critical to build future capacity

- cooperation is also needed on other transboundary rivers such as the Zarafshan and tributary rivers, with developments proceeding in a coordinated manner
- working as a team for Central Asia, it will be important to develop a feasibility study focusing on the whole of the river system, e.g., Syrdarya
- the political environment is better now for cooperation than in the past and we need to develop a joint vision on access to information
- a challenge will be to ensure coordination with other initiatives and prevent duplication
- messages of support were given by EU-WECOOP, EFSD, FAO and the CAREC Institute.

24. Participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity during the workshop to discuss a broad range of issues and looked forward to receiving the workshop report that reflects the contributions of all countries.

25. **Discussion on Institutional Arrangements for the Water Pillar.** Saad Paracha, Head of the CAREC Unit, chaired the final session on proposed institutional arrangements for the CAREC Water Pillar and provided examples of the various working and expert groups already operating in other CAREC sectors. Jeremy Bird outlined a proposal to establish a Central Asia Working Group for the Water Pillar, comprising representatives from each member country, and establishment of regional thematic expert groups on specific topics on an as-needed basis, for example on salinity management or drought early warning. The proposals were generally acknowledged with no objection from the country delegations.

26. A question was raised regarding the different nature of the water sector to other sectors, particularly as a number of inter-governmental organizations already exist and their roles should not be duplicated. Mr Bird concurred and indicated that this needs further consideration. As the focus of the Working Group is specifically tasked with guiding the future development of the Water Pillar, he suggested that the primary Working Group members should be from national agencies while more direct involvement of representatives from inter-governmental organizations could be arranged through the thematic expert groups. If such groups already exist under the auspices of intergovernmental organizations, then their mandates could possibly be expanded to include the work of the Water Pillar. Further suggestions from the discussion included developing links with other initiatives, such as FAO's regional initiative on water policy and EU's initiative to establish a working group on water.

27. **Closing remarks:** Yasmin Siddiqi, Director of Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Division Central and West Asia Department, ADB, sincerely thanked all participants for their active participation and engagement during the regional workshop. She reflected on the importance of working together through regional partnerships and the sharing of experience to unlock the development potential of the region. Ms Siddiqi noted that the discussions emphasized the need for a balanced approach involving both upgrading infrastructure and inclusion of softer elements such as improving institutions, management systems, and human capacity. In closing, Ms Siddiqi confirmed that

ADB would follow up on the ideas presented during the discussions and thanked the host country Uzbekistan for its hospitality.

III. Next steps

28. Based on the contents of the interim report and discussions at the Workshop, the ADB team will prepare outlines for three priority projects and circulate these to country Water Pillar focal points for comments early in January 2023. Once feedback has been received, the team will further develop each of the three initial projects into draft concept notes by end February 2023 for further consideration by national and regional agencies. These priority projects will then be discussed by ADB and its national counterparts for inclusion in respective country programs.

Attachments: 1: Program of the Regional Workshop
 2: List of Participants

Attachment 1: Workshop Program



Regional TA 9977: Developing the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Water Pillar

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

DAY 1 – 29 NOVEMBER 2022	
09:00 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 09:50	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Enrico Pinali, Officer in Charge, Uzbekistan Resident Mission, ADB</i> <i>Bakhtiyar Kamalov, Director, Center for Implementation of Foreign Investment Projects in the Water Sector, Ministry of Water Resources, Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan</i> <i>Sulton Rahimzoda, Chair, Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (virtual)</i>
09:50 – 10:00	CAREC Water Pillar in the context of development cooperation in Central Asia <i>Kazuhiro Yoshida, Senior Water Resources Specialist, ADB</i>
10:00 – 10:20	Presentation on framing the shortlist of projects for the CAREC Water Pillar <i>Jeremy Bird, TA Consultant team</i>
10:20 – 10:35	Q&A <i>Questions of clarification - facilitated by TA Consultant team</i>
10:35 – 10:50	Examples of international practice related to Block 1 (in plenary) <i>TA Consultant team</i>
10:50 – 11:10	Network Break
11:10 – 13:00	<u>Working session on Block 1: Climate resilient and productive water systems</u> <i>3 Breakout groups - working discussion of Block 1 proposals</i> <i>Facilitators: Group A – Iskander Abdullaev, CAREC Institute</i> <i>Group B – Bokhodir Rozikhodjaev, ADB</i> <i>Group C – Oytire Anarbekov, IWMI</i>

13:00 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 14:30	Plenary feedback on Block 1 (5 mins per Group)
14:30 – 14:45	Examples of international practice related to Block 2 (in plenary) <i>TA Consultant team</i>
14:45 – 16:45	<u>Working session on Block 2: Sustainable water resources and water services</u> (includes network break) <i>3 Breakout groups - working discussion of Block 2 proposals</i> <i>Facilitators: Group A – Anvar Atabaev, ADB Consultant</i> <i>Group B – Dinara Ziganshina, SIC-ICWC</i> <i>Group C – Shakhboz Akhmedov, CAREC Institute</i>
16:45 – 17:00	Plenary feedback on Block 2 (5 mins per Group)
19:00	Dinner hosted by ADB (Regency Ballroom I)
DAY 2 – 30 NOVEMBER 2022	
09:30 - 09:45	Examples of international practice related to Block 3 (in plenary) <i>TA Consultant team</i>
09:45 – 11:45	<u>Working session on Block 3: Nexus solutions and cross sector learning</u> (including network break) <i>3 Breakout groups - working discussion of Block 3 proposals</i> <i>Facilitators: Group A – Iskander Abdullaev, CAREC Institute</i> <i>Group B – Shakhboz Akhmedov, CAREC Institute</i> <i>Group C – Akmal Karimov, TIAME</i>
11:45 – 12:00	Plenary feedback on Block 3 (5 mins per Group)
12:00 – 12:45	Reflections on the discussions across 3 Blocks of the Water Pillar <i>Country delegations</i> <i>Development Partners</i> <i>TA Consultant team</i> <i>Facilitated by Kazuhiro Yoshida Senior Water Resources Specialist, ADB</i>
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	Institutional arrangements for the CAREC Water Pillar <i>Proposals for establishing a CAREC Water Sector Working Group and thematic expert groups - presentation of composition and modalities</i> <i>TA Consultant team members (15 mins)</i> <i>Open discussion (45 mins)</i> <i>Chaired by Saad Paracha, Head of CAREC Unit, ADB</i>
15:00 – 15:15	Next steps <i>Kazuhiro Yoshida, Senior Water Resources Specialist, ADB</i>

15.15 – 15:30	Closing remarks – <i>Ms Yasmin Siddiqi, Director, Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Division (CWER), Central and West Asia Department, ADB (virtual)</i>
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TA=technical assistance

Attachment 2: List of Participants



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