



# EU Water Initiative



## Water for life

**African Component on IWRM  
Integrated Water Resources Management  
with a focus on transboundary river management**

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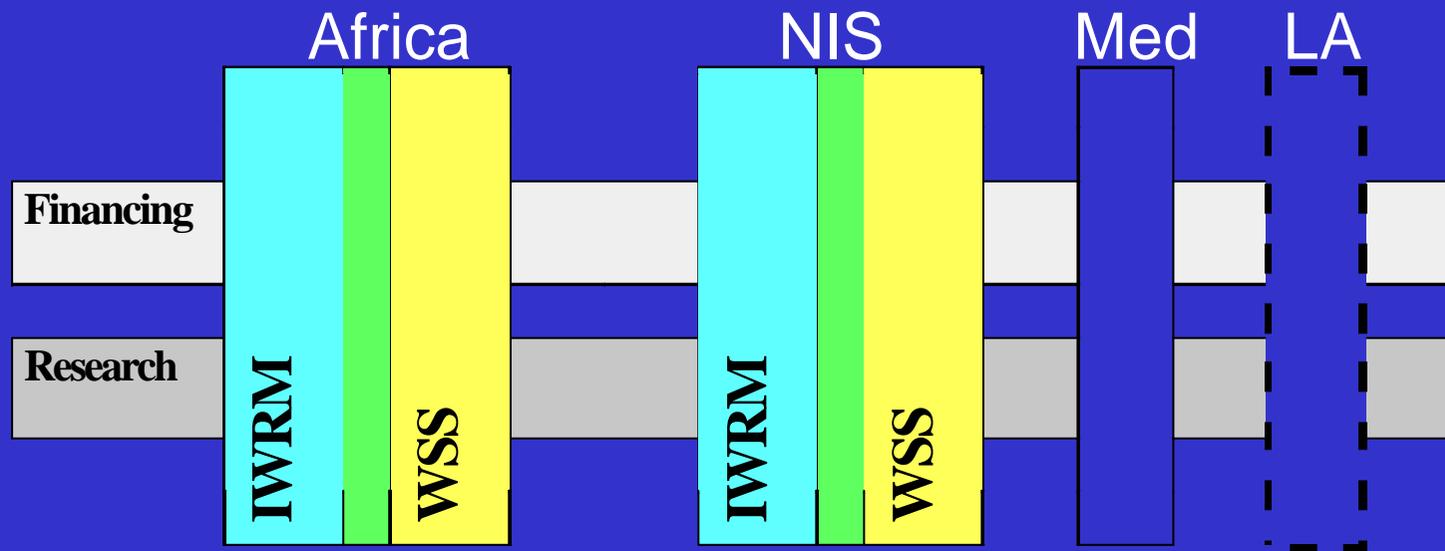
***(French Ministry of Foreign Affairs)***



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**Component inter-linked: WSS, Financing, Research**



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Design Phase of the Initiative



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- ***Membership and partners:***

**Initial partners : EU Member states, EC, African States, the AMCOW Ministers, the African Water Task Force.**

**Other key partners : INBO, GWP, Green Cross, WWF, CEDARE, among others...**

**Process is open to all partners as long as there is commitment to the objectives of the initiative.**



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- ***Mission Statement:***

**Facilitate the implementation of effective IWRM programmes on national and transnational rivers of Africa, through coordinated financing, technical support, dialogue and partnerships.**

**Work with riparian Governments and others stakeholders to establish and/or strengthen river basin management institutions and programmes.**



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- ***Objectives:***

Build on existing programmes in Africa selected by our African partners through a multi-stakeholder approach and a concrete action plan.

- Link closely with the Initiatives taken by the African Ministerial Conference on Water (AMCOW) and the African Water Task Force
- Use the valuable principles and practical guidelines of the European Water Framework Directive ?



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- ***Suggested focus:***
  - Dissemination of internationally agreed principles,
  - Develop funds to implement IWRM programmes under river organizations,
- → Fund institutions in charge of transboundary waters
  - Explore within mature river basin organizations new financing mechanisms,
  - Support consultation of civil society on a rights based approach.



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*First step of the action plan of this post-WSSD design phase:*

## Assessment

Set-up a “clearing house” on IWRM/ transboundary water interventions in Africa (National/Regional)  
(Benchmark “starting point”, gaps)

Operator : International Water Office

Means : Detailed questionnaire

Target : by the end of October : achieved



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- EU Water Assessment: Two parameters

**Geographical**  
(National and  
Transnational  
Basins)



**IWRM Interventions**  
Operational Tools (GWP Tool box)





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#### Areas of EU IWRM interventions in Africa

##### **Social change instruments**

- ◆ Communication outreach
- ◆ Dialogue networking

##### **Creating an enabling environment**

- ◆ Investment policies
- ◆ Legal reforms, water rights
- ◆ Policy reforms

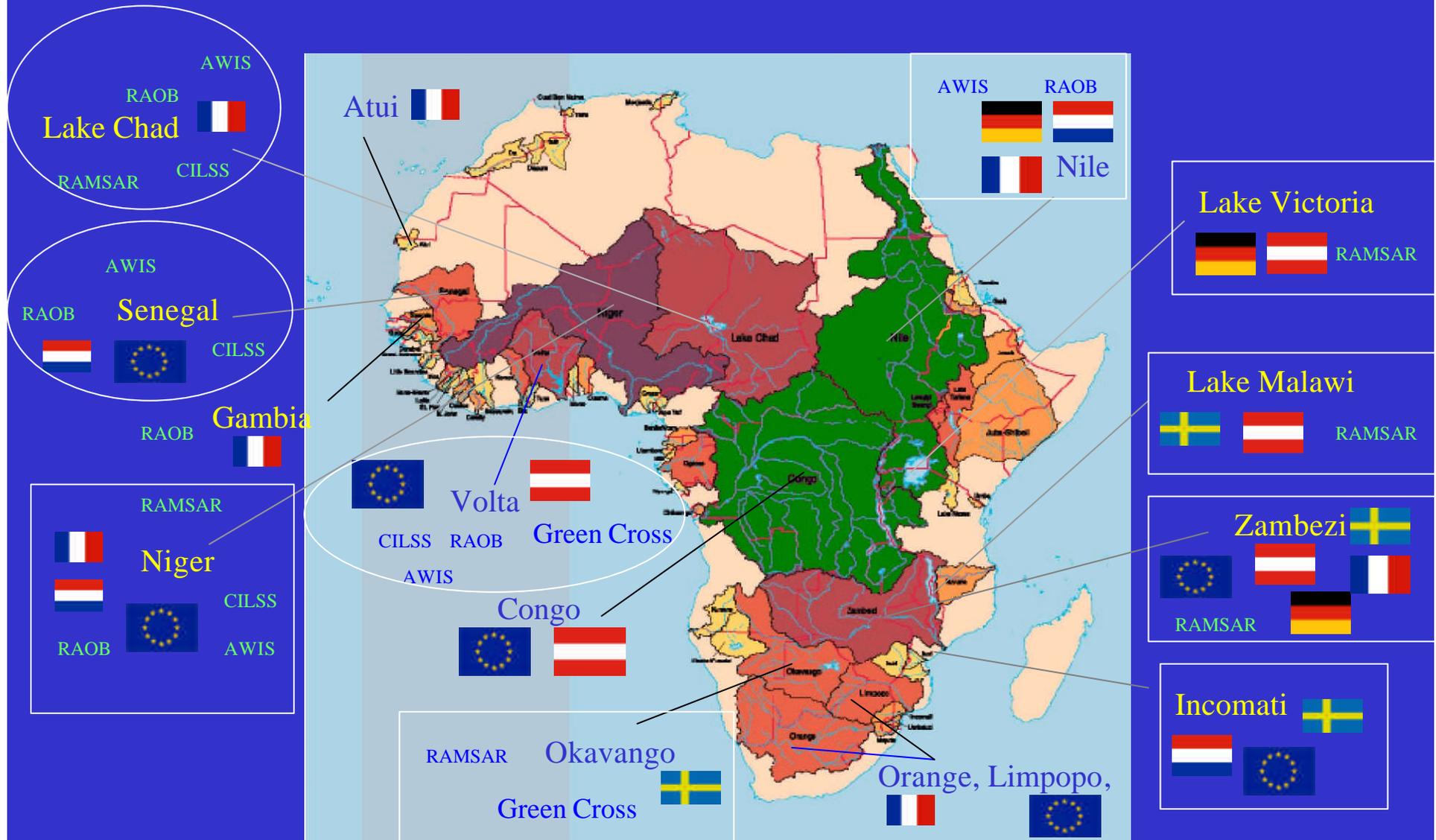
##### **Strengthening organizational frameworks**

- ◆ RBO and institutional strengthening
- ◆ RBO twinning
- ◆ Training

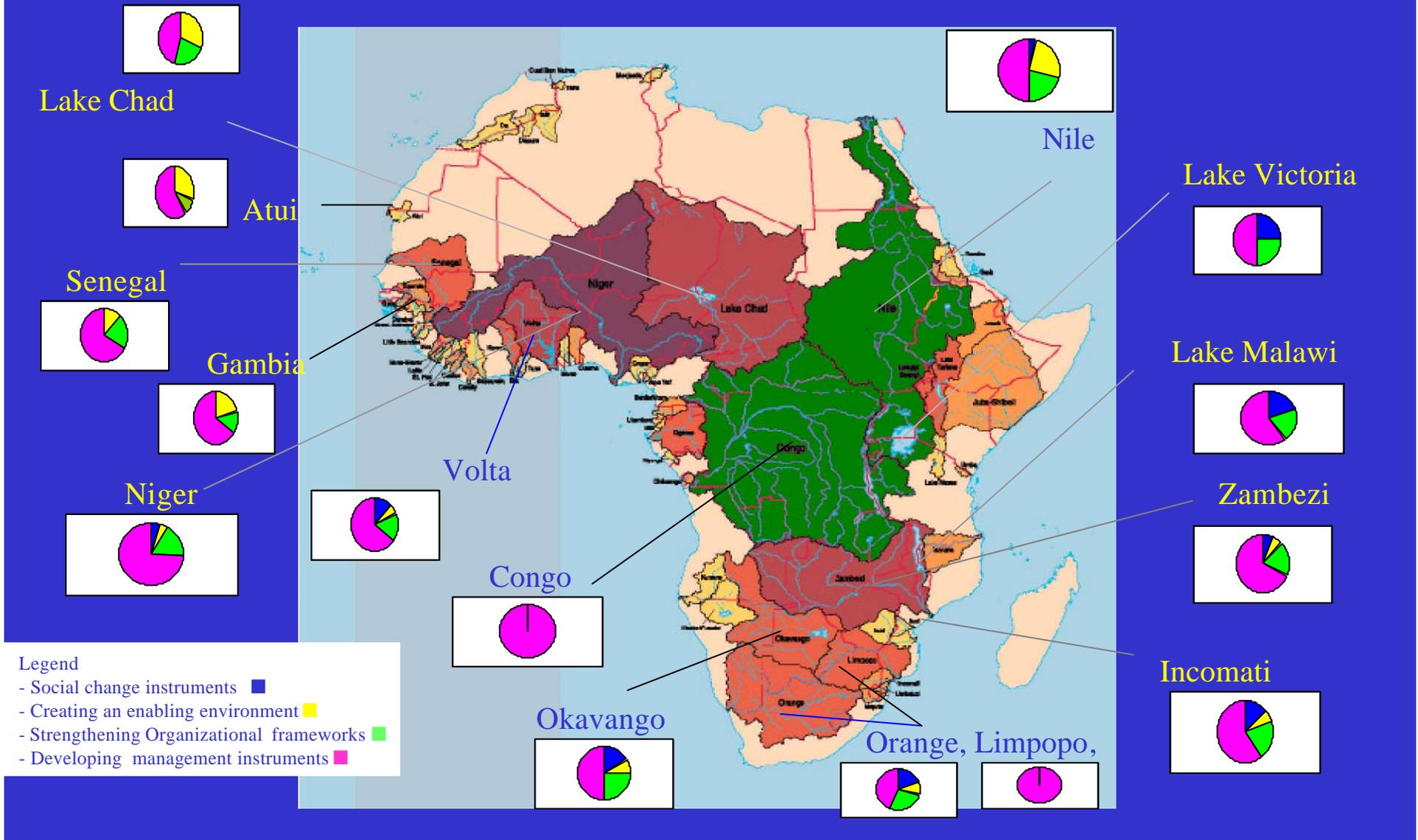
##### **Developing management instruments**

- ◆ Resources assessment
- ◆ Modeling and indicators
- ◆ Documentation centers
- ◆ Developing IWRM plans
- ◆ Demand management
- ◆ Decentralization
- ◆ Conflict resolution
- ◆ Data exchange
- ◆ Regulatory instruments

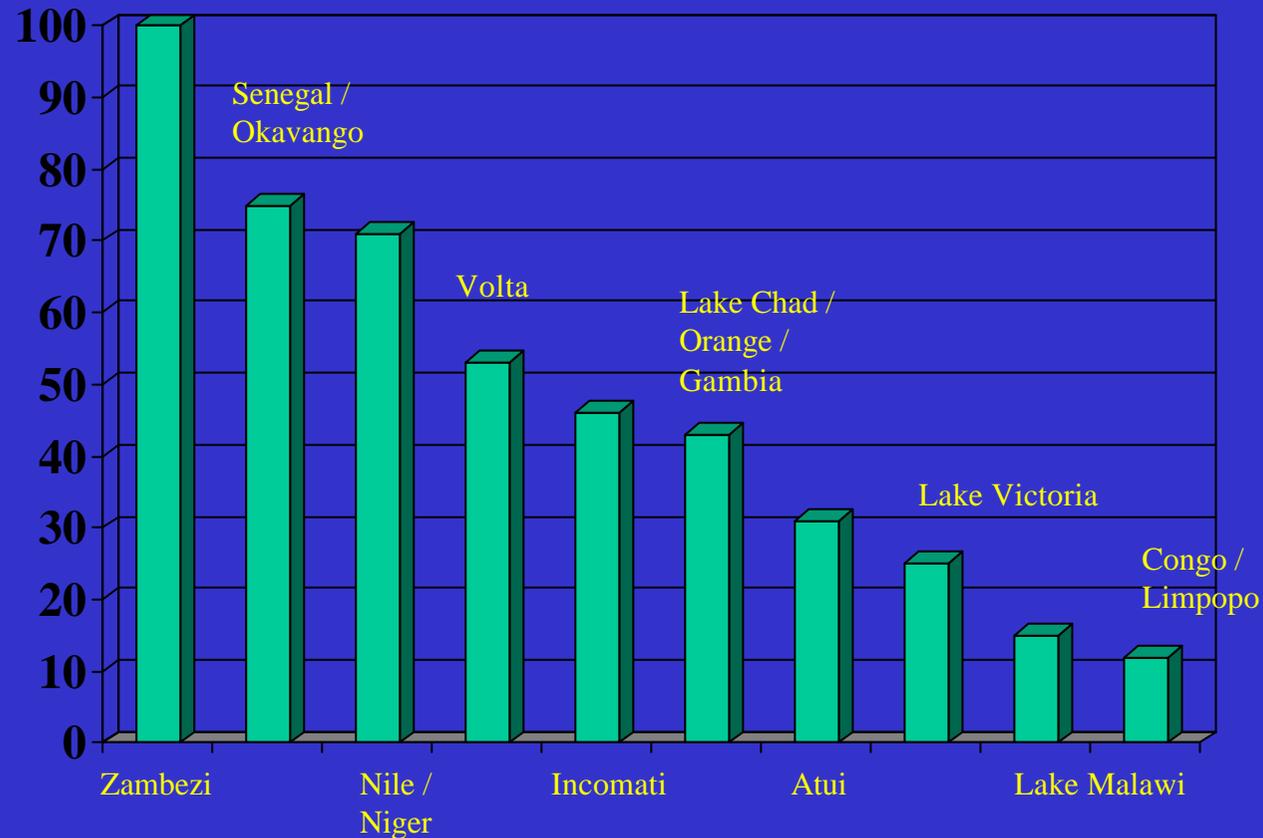
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# IWRM ACTIVITIES IN THE DIFFERENT RIVER BASINS





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## African Demand

