

The purpose of the meeting was to monitor progress on TEC priority thematic areas as defined in TEC Roadmap 2011-2013 and to discuss the TEC input into a new GWP Strategy 2014-2019, including a 3-year work program (2014-2016).

Below is a brief summary of progress and next steps as discussed during the meeting.

#### **WATER SECURITY**

This is a work in progress. As a part of the development of the **background paper**, a consultative workshop on Water Security Indicators was held in November 2012, a literature review on water security papers and definitions was conducted and an input was made to the UN-Water publication 'Water Security and the Global Agenda: A UN-Water Analytical Brief'.

##### **Action to be taken:**

- Eelco van Beek to complete the Background Paper by November 2013.
- Proceedings (in the form of a Technical Focus Paper) of Water Security Indicators being prepared by Melvyn Kay to be published by early 2014.

#### **ECONOMICS OF WATER SECURITY**

A follow up from a recently published Background paper, the **Technical Focus Paper** on Economic Consequences of Poor Water and Sanitation in Africa is being developed. The aspects of WASH and economics will be discussed.

##### **Action to be taken:**

- Dale Whittington to develop a publication proposal (end November) and Technical Focus Paper by February, 2014.

#### **LAND AND WATER GOVERNANCE**

The draft **Perspective Paper** on Coordinated Land and Water Governance for Food Security was presented. The paper argues that land and water are governed in an un-coordinated way with a highly technocratic approach that ignores unequal power relations surrounding land and water resources. The paper will recommend measures to improve the coordination of land and water governance from food and water security perspectives.

##### **Action to be taken:**

- Madiodo Niassé to develop the Perspectives Paper by end-2013, publishing April 2014.
- Madiodo Niassé to develop a Concept Note for the regional workshop in a cooperation with ILC and IWMI.

#### **GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE**

Stephen Foster (senior advisor) presented a publication proposal for a **perspectives paper** on Managing the Impact of Major Land-use Change on Groundwater Resources. The proposed publication will invite

readers to open the discussion on integrated management to conserve/enhance groundwater recharge and to reduce diffuse groundwater pollution and quality degradation from recent and proposed large scale land use changes (deforestation, irrigation). The paper will propose a groundwater-land-use nexus.

**Action to be taken:**

- Stephen Foster and Madiodo Niase to develop a draft Perspective Paper, as part of TEC's portfolio on land and water management, to be discussed in March 2014, completion in August 2014.

## **TEC INPUT TO GWP 3-YEARS WORK PROGRAM**

TEC was invited to contribute to the development of a new GWP strategy (2014-2019) and 3-year work program of GWP. The discussion with RWPs was held during the joint TEC/RWP day meeting (for full minutes, see GWPO Regional day meeting). The thematic areas include:

### ***Climate Change***

- GWPO will regularly inform TEC on climate change programs. Program managers should clarify expectations to TEC members regarding their technical expertise input.

### ***Transboundary Cooperation***

- TEC will develop a **technical focus paper** on drafting transboundary treaties
- TEC will continue in supporting capacity building programs on international water law and related transboundary cooperation aspects.

### ***Water and Food security***

- TEC will develop a **background paper** on groundwater governance and irrigated agriculture by end year 2013.

### ***Integrated Urban Water Management***

- To be discussed with GWPO in details prior to the next regional workshop on IUWM (November 2013, Senegal)

### ***Water and Energy security***

- TEC will develop a concept note on water and energy aspects to formulate the agenda for GWP knowledge products (in cooperation with SIWI)

## **OTHER ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

- Three policy briefs were recently completed and will be launched during World Water Week 2013 (see GWP publications in [IWRM ToolBox](#))
- The second perspectives paper dealing with groundwater management was completed and will be launched during World Water Week 2013 (see GWP publications in [IWRM ToolBox](#))
- TEC welcomes the GWP/OECD initiative on Dialogue on Water Security and Sustainable Growth. TEC members will be represented in the Task Force. More [here](#).
- A call for nominations will be open via GWPO e-links with a deadline October 14, 2013. See more details [here](#).