

Expert meeting demonstrates how wetland-based adaptation to climate change works in river basins

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Aerial photograph of the flooded Tana River

More than 100 experts from governments and the environment, water and financial management sectors shared their experiences in a global marketplace workshop at the United Nations Office in Geneva from 29 to 30 April 2019.

Participants were unanimous that integrating green solutions into existing grey infrastructure can lead to solutions that are more efficient in adapting to climate change.

Experts compiled an array of supporting materials and guidance documents for the practitioners, easily accessible at a one-stop shop (documents are available [here](#)).

The cooperation programmes for the international basins of the Amur, Danube, Dniestr and Prut, Ili-Balkhash, Lockyer Valley, Niger, Senegal, Sixaola and Syr Darya rivers, the Fouta Djallon highlands, lake Chad basin, Ahuachapán Sur basins and the Arab region all illustrate that wetland-based solutions are crucial to achieve the objectives of the Agenda 2030.

The workshop was an opportunity to acknowledge the contributions provided through the tools elaborated by Ramsar Convention, underlining the potentially significant role of the Ramsar Regional Initiatives that focus on transboundary work in river basins.