

# Nile Basin Initiative

## Call for Wetlands Experts Roster

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) is an inter-governmental organization initiated and led by the Nile riparian countries to promote joint development, protection and management of the common Nile River Basin water resources. NBI has a Shared Vision: *‘to promote sustainable socio-economic development through the equitable utilization of, and benefit from, the common Nile Basin water resources’*. A wide range of programs and projects are currently under varying stages of identification, preparation and implementation under NBI, designed to contribute towards the realization of the NBI shared Vision.

The NBI performs three core functions;

- 1) **Building Cooperation.** The NBI main objective is to facilitate, support and nurture cooperation amongst the Nile Basin countries to promote timely and efficient joint actions required for securing benefit from the common Nile Basin water resources.
- 2) **Water Resources Management.** The NBI provides member countries with analytic tools and a shared information system that will enable monitoring and the sustainable management of the basin.
- 3) **Water Resource Development.** The NBI assists member countries to identify development opportunities and prepare projects and seek investments. Development programs are focused on power trade and generation, agriculture and watershed management.

### 2.0 NILE BASIN WETLANDS SUSTAINABILITY WORK

The aforementioned Nile Basin Wetlands Portfolio has been initiated and developed based on long time understanding on the role of wetlands in improving water resources quality, quantity ecology and sustainability in the basin, and the challenges that management of wetlands face. The wetlands portfolio interventions, among others, aims to strengthen the technical and institutional capacities for sustainable management of transboundary wetlands and wetlands of regional relevance in the Nile Basin. The aim of the interventions cascades from the farsighted Wetland Strategy of the Nile Basin Initiative, and it is so proposed to reduce the historical barriers of sustainable wetland management in the basin in terms of technical and institutional capacity limitations.

Overarching interventions goal (outcome): The technical and institutional capacities for sustainable management of wetlands of transboundary relevance in the Nile basin are strengthened.

Specific interventions goals (outputs):

- i. Nile Basin/ Level of river basin planning: The knowledge base for ecosystem based sustainable management of wetlands of transboundary relevance in the Nile Basin wetlands is strengthened.
- ii. Equatorial Lakes Region/ Level of wetland management: In transboundary sub-basins of the Nile Basin, plans for the management of wetlands of transboundary relevance are in place and are being implemented.
- iii. Capacity development and networking: The lessons learned from implementing the project are compiled and action-related information is disseminated via national, regional and international networks, platforms and training measures.

### 3.0 WETLANDS THEMATIC AREAS OF EXPERTISE

The purpose of this call is to identify wetlands experts with training and experience on multiple wetlands conservation and sustainable development technical themes and competencies. The compiled roster will be critical in outreaching listed wetland experts for the provision of planned technical services under the ongoing Nile Basin Wetlands Sustainability Work. The following expertise areas are being sought. Kindly indicate your area(s) of expertise;

- 🕒 Wetlands Scoping and Diagnostic Studies
- 🕒 Wetlands Stakeholders Participation Facilitation
- 🕒 Wetlands Training and Capacity Building
- 🕒 Wetlands Conservation Education and Public Awareness
- 🕒 Wetlands Hydrological and Ecological Modeling
- 🕒 Wetlands Ecosystem Services Mapping and Economic Valuation
- 🕒 Wetlands Restoration and Conservation
- 🕒 Wetlands Carbon Sequestration Measuring
- 🕒 Wetlands Application as Green Infrastructure
- 🕒 Wetlands Management Planning
- 🕒 Wetlands Sustainability Interventions Design and Development

- 🕒 Wetlands Sustainability Indicators Development and Monitoring
- 🕒 Wetlands Livelihoods Resilience
- 🕒 Wetlands Ecosystem Based Adaptation
- 🕒 Wetlands and Landscape Approach
- 🕒 Wetlands and River Basin Planning
- 🕒 Remote Sensing and GIS for Wetlands Conservation

## 4.0 APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Submit your Curriculum Vitae clearly indicating your academic qualifications and experience on subject matter of interest. Additionally indicate thematic wetlands expert areas of your interest from the listed thematic wetlands areas of expertise herein.

Applications expressing interest from wetlands experts should be submitted to the Executive Director, Nile Basin Initiative, [watervacancy@nilebasin.org](mailto:watervacancy@nilebasin.org) , P.O.Box 192; Entebbe, Uganda. The applications will be considered and reviewed on rolling basis.

Kindly indicate “Wetlands Experts Roster Call for Nile Basin Transboundary Wetlands” in the subject line of the e-mail.

For more information about Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) please visit the NBI web-site (<http://www.nilebasin.org>).