

Kenya's Deputy President Ruto lauds Nile cooperation



Prof. Judi Wakhungu represented H.E. William Ruto

It was a meeting of cultures, ideas, knowledge from all over the Nile Basin and outside its boundaries in little known Vihiga County in western Kenya. Hundreds of people gathered here on 22nd February, 2016 to take part in the 10th Regional Nile Day celebrations, which are characterized by fanfare, pomp and an equal amount of seriousness about issues affecting the River Nile, the uniting factor in the region.

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DID you know...?

NBI Member States have worked together to negotiate, agree and prepare 34 investment projects, generating mutual benefits in terms of food, water and energy security for the majority of the Nile Basin citizens



Welcome to our March 2016 issue of the quarterly Nile News.

The first quarter has been a beehive of activities, with a number of back-to-back events involving our partners. The 10th Regional Nile Day celebration was successfully held in Kenya's Vihiga County, bringing together participants from all the 10 NBI Member States and development partners. The theme for the celebration was **"Nile Cooperation: Gateway to Regional Integration."** Among the key ingredients for regional integration is a culture of dialogue, negotiation, trust and confidence. NBI has over the years promoted and entrenched these values in its efforts to facilitate Nile Cooperation.

The celebrations held on 22nd February, 2016 were preceded by the 9th Strategic Dialogue between NBI and Development Partners. Participants discussed strategic issues which are key to keeping NBI operations ongoing. These are promoting cooperative water resources development and management in the Nile Basin; NBI financial sustainability, institutional, non-participation of Egypt in NBI's activities and future coordination between NBI and development partners.

The same issues had been earlier discussed at length during the 45th Nile Technical Advisory Committee meeting held on 20th February, 2016.

The NBI team later met with partners at national level in Nairobi, Kenya. Discussions were held with Permanent Secretaries of Ministries whose activities touch on the management and development of the Nile Basin water resources, as well as editors and reporters of key media houses during separate meetings. This was followed by a general stakeholders' forum that included civil society, diplomats from NBI Member States embassies and academia. The objective of the entire exercise was to raise awareness as well as enhance common knowledge and understanding among partners in Kenya, about Nile Cooperation.

As the first and only all-inclusive platform for Nile Basin States to discuss with confidence and trust the management and use of the shared Nile Basin water and related resources, NBI will continue to actively play this very important role. Cooperation is needed to avoid proliferation of unilateral investment projects and conflicts thereof.

The efforts we are making today in building sustainable Nile cooperation will lay the foundation by which NBI can create opportunities, contribute to improved livelihoods, as well as peace and stability in the region, for the benefit of our citizens.

We are fortunate enough to get the support of all our partners - Member States governments, donors, media, civil society, academia, researchers, women, youth and we continue to count on this invaluable support.

I wish you enjoyable reading!

John Rao Nyaoro, HSC



Hon. Prof Ephraim Kamuntu, Uganda's Minister of Water and Environment, plants a tree at Vihiga Friends High School

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As is known to happen, the day, marked under the theme “**Nile Cooperation: Gateway to Regional Integration**”, kicked off with a march led by Prof. Judi Wakhungu, Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, and the County Governor, Hon. Moses Akaranga. They were joined by Ministers of Water in the NBI Member States, development partners, civil society among others. The procession, accompanied by a brass band, started from Vihiga County Assembly Offices and ended at Vihiga Friends High School, where the dignitaries planted ceremonial trees.

The significance of this action cannot be overemphasized. Forests always fulfill the demands of the human beings by providing shadow, shelter, refreshment including clean air and water. NBI has supported a number of projects aimed at increased forest cover and restoration of degraded

areas within the Member States.

In a speech read for him by Prof. Wakhungu, the Guest of Honor and Kenya's Deputy President H.E. William Ruto noted the remarkable progress made in the pursuit of cooperation on the Nile under the NBI.

“Already we can see great harmony across borders as nations initiate and implement joint investments that will lead to enhanced livelihoods, market integration and trade, movement of labor and preservation and protection of ecosystems.” He added that addressing the multiple challenges such as climate change in the Nile Basin requires concerted efforts through dialogue, negotiation, trust and confidence building to achieve the fruits of cooperation.

H.E. Ruto noted that with almost half of its water resources within the Lake Victoria Basin, Kenya



Hon. Robert Bopolo Mbongeza, DR Congo's Minister of Environment, Conservation of Nature and Sustainable Development addresses celebrants

considers the Nile Basin as a region of strategic importance in terms of meeting her water demands and improving livelihoods through regional integration. He called for a reflection on the vulnerability of the River Nile and its people.

Eng. Isack Kamwelwe (MP), Tanzania's Deputy Minister of Water Affairs noted that NBI has been instrumental in bringing the Nile Basin countries together and promoting multi-country cooperation for improved water resources management and development.

The Executive Director of the NBI Secretariat John Rao Nyaoro, HSC said NBI has over the years promoted dialogue, negotiation, trust and confidence and entrenched these values in the organisation's efforts to promote Nile cooperation.

The 10th Regional Nile Day celebrations attracted Ministers in charge of Water Affairs in the

NBI Member States, officials from ministries whose activities touch on the management and development of the shared Nile Basin water resources, namely Water, Environment, Energy, Agriculture, Foreign Affairs and Finance. Others were Members of Parliament, development partners, researchers, Academia, civil society, youth, media, school children and the general public.

The event jointly organised with Kenya's Ministry of Water and Irrigation, in partnership with Vihiga County Government and the Nile Basin Discourse (NBD), would have been incomplete without entertainment as several groups presented thematic dances, songs and a poem. To cap it all off was an exhibition by NBI and the various partners.

Nile Day is commemorated annually at regional and national levels across the 10 NBI Member States, to celebrate the establishment of the unprecedented Nile Basin Initiative on 22nd February, 1999. For the first time in the Basin's history, an all-inclusive basin-wide institution was established, to provide a forum for consultation and coordination among the Basin States for the sustainable management and development of the shared Nile Basin water and related resources for win-win benefits.

Since 2007, Nile Day is celebrated to increase awareness of the importance of Nile Cooperation and to celebrate major milestones.

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NILE DAY 2016 PICTORIAL



Celebrants march in Vihiga county



Participants march as part of activities to commemorate Nile Day



Eng. Elicad Elly Nyabeeya, Regional Coordinator of NELSAP-CU, talks to Prof. Dr. Hossam Mohgazy Egypt's then Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation, during the exhibition.



Dr. Mohsen Alarabawy, River Basin Management Specialist at the NBI Secretariat talks to dignitaries at the NBI exhibition



Ms. Eileen Burke of the World Bank addresses celebrants on behalf of NBI's development partners



Celebrative mood: Dignitaries join dancers to celebrate the 'birth' of NBI



School children entertain guests



South Sudan's Minister for Electricity, Dams, Irrigation and Water, Hon. Jema Nunu Kumba (Center) and other dignitaries during an event held to jointly commemorate Nile Day and World Water Day in Juba, South Sudan



Participants during the 9th Strategic Dialogue

NBI and Development Partners discuss key strategic issues

Members of the Nile Technical Advisory Committee (Nile-TAC), staff of NBI as well as development partners met in Kisumu in February, to engage in open and frank discussions on pertinent issues which are key to keeping NBI operations ongoing. The meeting was also attended by Permanent Secretaries of Ministries in charge of Water Affairs or their representatives from Burundi, Ethiopia Kenya, The Sudan and Uganda.

Participants discussed key strategic issues namely; promoting cooperative water resources development and management in the Nile Basin, including how to ensure that water resources development in the Nile Basin is implemented in a coordinated

and mutually beneficial manner, how to expedite implementation of already prepared investment projects in order to realize the anticipated gains.

Also discussed was the issue on NBI financial sustainability, with a focus on how to strengthen Member States ownership and commitment to NBI and whether development partners are committed to continue supporting NBI.

The issue on all-inclusiveness focused on the non-participation of Egypt in NBI's activities, what role hydro-diplomacy could play and how development partners can support NBI Member States to address the current outstanding issues.

Other strategic issues related to NBI institutional issues and future coordination between NBI and development partners. NBI made a strong case for a strengthened Donor Coordination mechanism in the wake of reducing donor funding for trans-boundary waters and the need to consolidate the gains made over the last 17 years.

The meeting also identified NBI priorities for the next five years. These include continued identification, preparation and promotion of joint multipurpose investment projects; rationalization of regional and national plans; and strong governance of NBI. Others are setting clear realistic priorities; strengthening programmatic approach and ensuring donor coordination.

The dialogue also highlighted the need to involve more senior participants from both NBI and development partners in NBI processes for ease of making the case for continued and increased support to the NBI program of work. The need for involving Permanent Secretaries of Ministries in charge of Water Affairs was underscored.

The dialogue was facilitated by Management staff of NBI and staff of Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI).

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Participants take a break as they catch up on the discussions

Implementation of Wetlands Project kicks off



African Jacana in a wetland

The River Nile and its tributaries flow through enormous wetlands of great relevance for biodiversity conservation. These wetlands provide important ecosystem services and therefore have significant socio-economic value. Management of the wetlands has major impact on river flow regime, patterns, seasonality and variability.

The status of the wetlands and consequently the vital ecosystem services they provide are in return dependent on available river flows in both space and time. The interaction and mutual influences between the Nile River and the connected wetlands calls for better understanding, building knowledge and developing capacities basin-wide.

To ensure good health and sustainable use of wetlands in the Nile Basin, NBI with support from

the German Government, has initiated a large project on “Biodiversity and Sustainable Use of Wetlands”. NBI recognizes that there is limited know-how and experience required to integrate wetland conservation and the use of ecosystem services (‘green infrastructure’) in water resources development planning process. The aim of the project therefore is to strengthen the technical and institutional capacities of NBI and its Member States, for sustainable management of wetlands of trans-boundary relevance in the Nile Basin.

The staff of NBI recently met at the Secretariat in Entebbe in a two day workshop that earmarked the inception phase of this important project. The workshop held from 4th to 5th February, 2016 focused on three main areas: scoping and enriching the project components and broad implementation

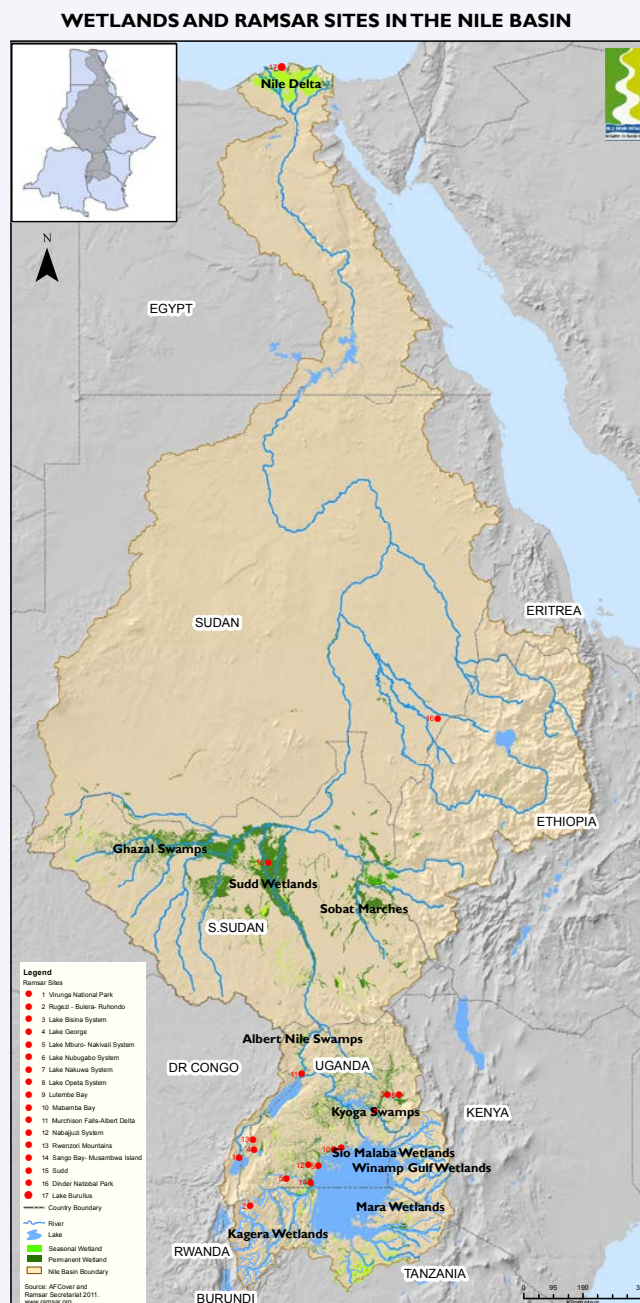
Wetlands are a key environmental resource in the Nile Basin. Together with water bodies, they represent at least 4% of the total Nile Basin area. There are more than 70 major wetlands of relevance for the Nile system, with concentrations in two areas: the Equatorial Lakes region and the Sudd area in South Sudan.

roadmap; gap analysis and needs assessment of competencies and expertise required, stakeholders' mapping as well as planning for the project launch workshop.

This meeting was a success in as far as it articulated common understanding of the project goals, scope, design and structure. Participants also highlighted related concepts and topics; emphasized the present state of related knowledge and scoped key project outcomes, activities and deliverables. The meeting further defined well agreed upon criteria for selecting the location of wetlands for pilot cases developed a detailed implementation schedule and institutional set-up including coordination, consultations and reporting.

The project launch workshop will include key relevant stakeholders from the basin, international subject-matter experts, Member States representatives, NBI centers and other relevant partners working on wetland issues in the Nile Basin. The objective is to solicit input and enhance synergy with other relevant programs, activities and initiatives in the region.

It is expected that by the end of the project in 2020, features and characteristics of major wetlands will be defined and plans for the management of trans-boundary wetlands developed and implemented. This is in addition to enhancing the knowledge and skills of the relevant actors and institutions in the Basin.



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Kenya commits to enhanced Nile Cooperation



Prof. Segor addresses Principal Secretaries and Directors

The national NBI stakeholders' engagement exercise is part of anchoring the regional NBI program into national development planning as one of the key sustainability strategies of the NBI. Enhancing common awareness and understanding of the Nile cooperation, its benefits and the consequences of non-cooperation, as well as the relevance and value addition of NBI to national processes is one of the key priorities of NBI.

Understanding and appreciating the benefits of Nile cooperation at national level will result in timely country contributions, Member States' willingness to support NBI as an institution (NBI centers and national NBI offices) as well as its programs

and projects in water resource management and development. This is particularly crucial given the fact that NBI has assisted Member States to prepare joint investment projects worth more than USD 6 billion and these require prioritization for implementation by the Member States.

It is with this in mind that the NBI Secretariat, in collaboration with Kenya's Ministry of Water and Irrigation organized a series of meetings with different categories of stakeholders from 25th to 26th February, 2016 under the theme: **Disseminating Results – Deepening Nile Cooperation.**

The meetings targeted Principal Secretaries and Directors of the ministries whose activities touch

on the management and development of the shared Nile Basin water resources, diplomatic community from NBI Member States embassies, civil society, academia, government water related agencies, Members of Parliament, private sector and the media.

During the breakfast meeting for Principal Secretaries and Directors, participants committed to enhance support to the NBI processes at national level; strengthen inter sector coordination in planning and implementation of the NBI program, prioritize NBI facilitated investment projects in national development plans and to secure funding for their implementation.

Participants also committed to timely payment of country contribution to enable smooth NBI operations as well as speedy ratification of the Cooperative Framework Agreement (CFA); signed in 2010 by six Member States including Kenya.

Earlier, the Principal Secretary, Ministry of Water and Irrigation, Prof. Henry Segor noted that through participation in the NBI, Kenya has benefited in a number of areas including investments in hydro power generation and transmission interconnectivity, water supply and irrigation as well as capacity development among others.

Prof. Segor noted that the Nile Basin is a vital and strategic resource to Kenya. “Almost 50% of our renewable annual water resources are found in the Lake Victoria Basin, which represents 8.7% of Kenya’s geographical area”, he said. He added that the Nile Basin water resources are interwoven in the national socio-economic fabric forming an important factor of productivity.

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Principal Secretaries and Directors of various ministries at the breakfast meeting

NBI inaugurates Blended Learning for Capacity Development

To enhance efficiency of its capacity development program and expand coverage both horizontally and vertically, NBI is expanding the program to include E-learning. Horizontal expansion will be by increasing the number of target groups and individuals while vertical by introducing more topics and syllabus.

Currently, NBI is working to develop Blended Learning training courses for its stakeholders. Once developed, the courses will be used for awareness raising and self-paced learning on the Nile Basin, Nile Cooperation and the Nile Basin Decision Support System (NB-DSS).

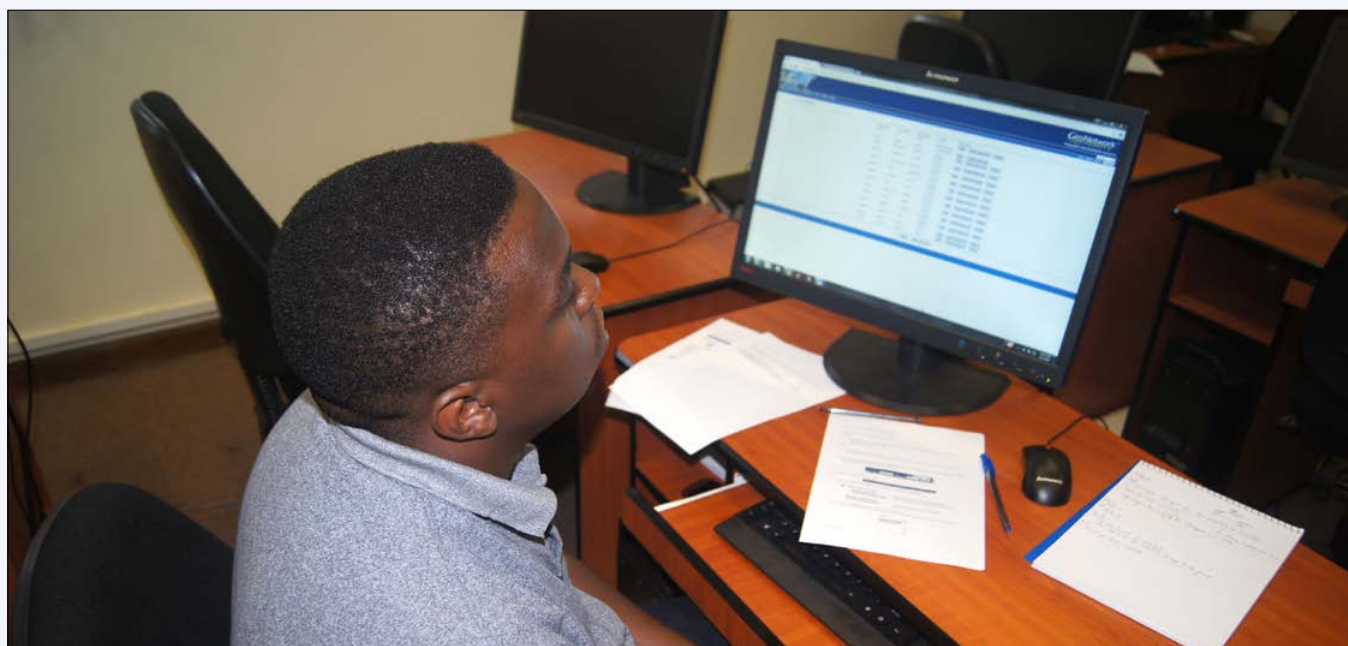
Blended learning is a formal education program in which a trainee learns, at least in part, through delivery of content and instruction via digital

and online media with some element of learner (apprentice) control over time, place, path, or pace.

Administration, supervision, guidance and assessment will take place at the NBI Secretariat, while announcement of courses, registration, admission, appraisal and finalization will be done on-line.

Once benchmarked and functional, blended learning is expected to have a profound positive upshot on the pace, intensity and effectiveness of the NBI capacity development program. NBI Member States will have significantly growing opportunities for building capacities and sharpening national competencies.

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John Rao Nyaoro, HSC (in jacket) discusses with senior journalists in Kenya

Kenyan media urged on Nile cooperation

The NBI Secretariat is keen to build effective relations with the media in the NBI Member States, in order to increase awareness among stakeholders of issues related to Nile Cooperation and the Nile Basin.

As part of these efforts, the Secretariat recently held two separate meetings with the media in Kenya during the National Stakeholders Engagement

exercise held on 25th and 26th February, 2016. The first was a breakfast meeting with editors from the major media houses followed by a roundtable discussion with senior reporters.

The Executive Director of the NBI Secretariat, John Rao Nyaoro, HSC, highlighted NBI's achievements. He said key among them is the preparation of more than 30 bankable investment projects worth



John Rao Nyaoro, HSC addresses journalists during the Editors' breakfast in Nairobi

USD6.5 billion contributing to food, energy and water security in the Nile Basin countries.

He added that NBI has provided a platform for dialogue and understanding of the interests, positions and expectations of all Basin States in what concerns the utilization (current and future) of the shared Nile Basin waters resources. "There is observable greater levels of trust, confidence and cooperation among Member States," he added.

Nyaoro stressed the need for the media to bring to light the consequences of non-cooperation of Member States such as proliferation of unilateral water resources investment projects that are not regionally optimal resulting into wasteful utilization, water scarcity as well as regional conflict and insecurity. This is in addition to less adaptation capacity to climate change all bringing negative effects on the livelihoods of the current and future basin populations.

Kenya is an upstream country of the Nile Basin. The Nile Basin borders Lake Victoria in the country's west. Though it makes up only about eight percent of the country's land area, the Basin provides about 50 percent of Kenya's water and its role in the country's economic development seems set to increase. Major rivers that contribute to the River Nile flow are Nzoia, Yala, Nyando, Migori and the Mara. All these rivers provide substantial percent of the inflow into Lake Victoria, which eventually outflow into Victoria Nile - that contributes most of the flow to the White Nile.

Approximately 16.9 million people live in the Nile Basin. This is about 39.7% of the total population in Kenya.

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Secretariat pays courtesy visits to the media in Uganda



The team from the Secretariat and editors at *The Observer* in a meeting

As part of the NBI Secretariat's quest to increase visibility of NBI at national level in the Basin States, the Executive Director, John Rao Nyaoro, HSC, the Communications Specialist, Jane Baitwa and Media Relations Consultant, Elizabeth Agiro, recently paid courtesy visits to top editors at *The Observer* and *The New Vision* publications in Uganda.

Discussions with the editors revolved around how the media can help in promoting Nile Cooperation by highlighting important developments around the Nile Basin aimed at improving standards of

living of the Nile Basin citizens. The other items on the agenda were the benefits Uganda has derived from cooperation with other NBI Member States and the status of the Cooperative Framework Agreement (CFA).

"On our side, we learnt a lot about your organization and the good work you are doing. We picked some interesting story ideas, which we plan to turn into informative and educative stories. We believe this was just the initial meeting and the interaction will only get better," Ben Opolot, Managing Editor, *The New Vision*.

These visits will be replicated in the major media houses in the country and in the other NBI Member States. The main objective of NBI's enhanced media relations is to reach millions of basin citizens with key messages of enhanced Nile Cooperation.

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The Team from the Secretariat takes a group photo with *The New Vision* editors after the meeting

Rwanda celebrates Nile Day 2016



Mrs. Fatina Mukarubibi (right) speaks during the national Nile Day celebrations. On her left is Eng. Elicad Ely Nyabeeya, Regional Coordinator of NELSAP-CU

The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources in Rwanda, Mrs. Fatina Mukarubibi recently noted that almost all Nile Basin countries' economies are small and can benefit tremendously from pooling their resources to serve a larger market.

Mrs. Mukarubibi was speaking during national celebrations to commemorate Nile Day held on 23rd March, 2016 under the theme “Nile Cooperation: Gateway to Regional Integration.”

“Rwanda recognizes the importance of Nile Cooperation as a key element for Regional Integration”, she said.

She reminded participants of the benefits accruing from managing the River Nile together such as food, energy and water security, adaptation to climate change and improved environmental conditions.

Mrs. Mukarubibi explained that NBI has assisted Member States to prepare joint investment projects of regional significance and taking into consideration efficient use of the Nile Basin water resources. “Rwanda is benefiting from some of the projects such as Regional Rusumo Falls Hydroelectric project, Kagera River Basin Management project, Bugesera Transboundary Water Management project, and Regional Transmission Interconnection project”, she noted.

The event held during the World Water Week brought together officials from various ministries including Natural Resources, Infrastructure, Agriculture, and Foreign Affairs. Others were staff from Nile Equatorial Lakes Subsidiary Action Program (NELSAP-CU), water related organisations, as well as the civil society representatives.



Some of the participants who took part in the celebrations

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World Water Day 2016: Water and Jobs

It is argued that a human being can go three weeks without food, but only a week without water, before meeting a fatal end. In short, water makes the world go round. We rely on water for almost everything; jobs, energy, food and industrialization among other key factors, which all contribute to millions of livelihoods.

The Nile, the world's longest river, has created several hundred jobs in the region, with communities using it for fishing, farming, transport, tourism, etc.

The Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) is the umbrella body that brings together 10 Nile Basin countries to discuss, cooperate and find solutions to challenges on managing and developing the waters of this great river. Water therefore is at the center of our work.

Under its investment program, NBI has assisted Member States to jointly prepare 34 bankable water related investment projects worth more than USD 6 billion. Some of these are currently being advanced by the Member States to generate clear, sustainable regional and mutual benefits for the majority of the Nile Basin inhabitants over the next decade. The benefits are not only in terms of food, water and energy security, but also jobs created for the people working in these projects and the resultant businesses including mall businesses such as schools, health centers, food processing factories.

A case in point is the 80 MW Regional Rusumo Falls Hydroelectric project, which will create about 1,000 jobs during construction and an even bigger number long after construction is done.

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Interconnection Project. Concreting of Pad March 2015

Promoting gender equality in NBI



Woman harvesting tea leaves

On 8th March, 2016, the world once again marked the annual International Women's Day, to reflect on progress made, call for change and celebrate acts of courage and determination by ordinary women who have played an extraordinary role in the history of their countries, communities and organizations.

NBI has in the past undertaken several interventions to promote gender equality. These include formulation of the *Gender Mainstreaming Policy and Strategy (2012-2016)*, which is anchored in NBI's Shared Vision Objective: "To achieve sustainable socio-economic development through the equitable utilization of, and benefit from, the common Nile Basin water resources".

This Policy and Strategy provides a framework that guides NBI programs and projects as well as Member States on how to implement gender actions in the water sector. The Policy is informed by international, regional and national commitments to achieve gender equality and equity.

The establishment of the *NBI Women's Forum* that was composed of female NBI employees and other women stakeholders in the Basin is yet another of the efforts undertaken by NBI. This is in addition to a Gender Assessment in 2009 as the baseline for future gender mainstreaming actions within the NBI programs and projects. The report findings highlighted gender equality and women's empowerment actions that NBI had implemented, and made recommendations on how the institution could deepen its engagement in this area. More recently, NBI documented good practices in mainstreaming gender equality.

The theme for year's International Women's Day is "**Planet 50-50 by 2030: Step It Up for Gender Equality**". The theme is particularly inviting all people to reflect on how to fast-track the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which recognizes women's empowerment as a precondition to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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WHAT'S ON? April - June, 2016

Dates/2016	Activity	Venue
April 1	NELTAC -HR committee meeting	Kampala, Uganda
April 4 to 5	Regional Guidelines Workshop & Power System Analysis Workshop	Entebbe, Uganda
April 7 to 8	Training & Power System Analysis Workshop	tbc
April 8	Inception workshop for the feasibility studies-Nyimur project	Kampala, Uganda
April 13-14	Inception workshop for ESIA and RAP studies for Kabuyanda and Ruviryonza	Kampala, Uganda
April	NCoRe Project Mid-Term Review	NBI Centres
April 25 - 26	2 nd Regional working group meeting on environmental flow guidelines for NBI	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
April 27 - 29	2 nd National Expert Group meeting (Strategic Water Resources Analysis)	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
April	Workshop on strengthening collaboration between NBI and IGAD	Djibouti, Djibouti
April	Workshop on NBI Strategy Development	Entebbe, Uganda
May	Workshop on strengthening collaboration between NBI and EAC/LVBC	Kisumu, Kenya
May 9 - 11	Vietnam Mekong Study Tour	Nile-SEC, Entebbe
May 12 - 13	Vietnam Mekong Study Tour	ENTRO, Add Ababa
May 2016	PTC and PSC Meeting	Kigali, Rwanda
May 2016	LEAF Technical Launch	Kigali, Rwanda
May 2016	Leaf Country Project Ceremonial Launch	Kampala, Uganda
May 2016	Biodiversity conservation and utilization of ecosystems in the Nile Basin Wetlands of Transnational Relevance Project launch workshop	Entebbe, Uganda
June 2, 2016	1 st NELSAP Investment Projects Conference with Donors	Nairobi/Kenya
June 2016	LEAF Country Project Ceremonial Launch	Kinshasa, DRC
June 2016	Tanzania-Zambia Feasibility study meeting	Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania
June 2, 2016	1 st NELSAP Investment Projects Conference with Donors	Nairobi/Kenya
June 2016	LEAF Country Project Ceremonial Launch	Kinshasa, DRC
June 2016	Tanzania-Zambia Feasibility study meeting	Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania
June 27	25 th NBI Coordination Meeting	Kampala, Uganda
July (TBC)	Governance Meetings (24 th Nile-COM, 46 th Nile-TAC)	Kampala, Uganda



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