



47th meeting of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination (ICWC)
of Central Asia dedicated to its Anniversary

Central Asian International Scientific-Practical Conference dedicated to 15th
Anniversary of ICWC

Central Asian Special Water Technology and Sector Exhibition

Workshop "Towards 1st Asian-Pacific Water Summit"
organized jointly by EC IFAS and GWP

Meeting of IFAS Board of Directors

Special sessions:

- Interstate cooperation and the role of ICWC in addressing regional problems
- Integrated water resources management – a way to achieve MDGs in Central Asia
- Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus: towards 16th session of the
UN CSD (2008) for implementation of IWRM plans
- Environmental challenges in Central Asia: analysis and future outlook
- Central Asian Regional Water Information Base
- Integrated water resources management in Kazakhstan: meeting of Basin Councils'
representatives in the Republic of Kazakhstan

A G E N D A

Almaty, the Republic of Kazakhstan, 24-27 April 2007

Hotel and health center «Altyn Kargali»

Organizers:

- Interstate Commission for Water Coordination (ICWC) of Central Asia
- Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan
- Water Resources Department at the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Processing Industry, Kyrgyz Republic
- Ministry of Land Reclamation and Water Resources, Republic of Tajikistan
- Ministry of Water Resources, Turkmenistan
- Central Water Administration at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, Republic of Uzbekistan
- Regional Council of Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus
- BVO «Amudarya»
- BVO «Syrdarya»
- Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea
- Scientific-Information Center of ICWC
- Regional Environmental Center of Central Asia
- UNDP-Kazakhstan
- Asian Development Bank
- Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation

Sponsors:

- Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan
- Regional Council of Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus
- Asian Development Bank
- Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
- UN Economic Commission for Europe
- Scientific-Information Center of ICWC
- Regional Environmental Center of Central Asia
- UNDP-Kazakhstan

Programme:

23 April	
14.00	Arrival and accommodation of the participants Opening of Special Exhibition <i>Conference hall «Altyn»</i>
17.00-18.00	Briefing of ICWC members with mass media <i>Conference hall «Elite»</i>

24 April	
9.00-10.00	Registration of Conference participants
10.00-18.00	Plenary meeting, <i>Conference hall «Altyn»</i>
19.30-21.00	Reception (by invitation only)

25 April	
10.00-18.00	47th ICWC meeting dedicated to Anniversary, <i>Conference hall «Elite»</i>
At the same time: 14.00-16.00	Joint workshop of EC IFAS and GWP CACENA « Towards 1st Asian-Pacific Water Summit», <i>Conference hall «Altyn»</i>
10.00-18.00	Session meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus, hall «Zhemchujny»• Integrated water resources management – a way to achieve MDGs in Central Asia, <i>business-class N°1</i>;• Interstate cooperation and the role of ICWC in addressing regional problems, <i>business-class N°2</i>

26 April	
10.00-18.00	Session meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental challenges in Central Asia: analysis and future outlook, <i>business-class N°1</i>;• Central Asian Regional Water Information Base, <i>business-class N°2</i>;• Integrated water resources management in Kazakhstan: meeting of Basin Councils' representatives in the Republic of Kazakhstan, <i>Conference hall «Altyn»</i>
At the same time: 10.00-18.00	Meeting of IFAS Board of Directors, <i>Conference hall «Elite»</i>

27 April 2007	
10.00-12.30	Meeting of ICWC members with representatives of international donors, <i>Conference hall «Elite»</i>
14.00-18.00	Plenary meeting, <i>Conference hall «Altyn»</i>
19.00-21.00	Reception (by invitation only)

28 April

Departure of delegations

Central Asian International Scientific-Practical Conference dedicated to 15th Anniversary of ICWC

24 April 2007, Tuesday

Plenary meeting

Conference hall «Altyn»

- 10.00-10.10 Opening
Ryabtsev A.D. – Chairman of Organizing Committee, Chairman of
Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic
of Kazakhstan
- 10.10-10.15 Welcome on behalf of Central Asian Governments, Ministries and
Departments
- 10.15-10.20 Conferential procedure
- Chairman – Khamidov M.Ya., ICWC member, Minister of Land
Reclamation and Water Resources, Republic of Tajikistan
- Welcoming speeches of international delegations:
- 10.20-10.30 Global Water Partnership
- 10.30-10.40 Russian Federation
- 10.40-10.50 Asian Development Bank
- 10.50-11.00 UNDP
- 11.00-11.10 Japanese Water Forum
- 11.10-11.20 World Bank
- 11.20-11.30 FAO
- 11.30-11.40 OSCE
- 11.40-11.50 UN ECE
- 12.00-12.20 Coffee-break
- 12.20-12.40 ICWC – case-study of cooperation between Central Asian countries:
achievements, shortcomings, future challenges
Ryabtsev A.D., ICWC member, Chairman of Committee for Water
Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan

- 12.40-13.00 Institutional framework of water management in Central Asian countries and ways for its improvement
Koshmatov B.T., ICWC member, Deputy Minister, General Director of Water Resources Department at the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Processing Industry, Kyrgyz Republic
- 13.00-14.30 Lunch

Chairman – Koshmatov B.T., ICWC member, Deputy Minister, General Director of Water Resources Department at the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Processing Industry, Kyrgyz Republic
- 14.30-14.50 Problems of interstate coordination in area of rational water use in Central Asia
Khamidov M.Ya., ICWC member, Minister of Land Reclamation and Water Resources, Republic of Tajikistan
- 14.50-15.10 Experience in development of international agreements on water resources management in Central Asia
Mommadov B.A., ICWC member, Deputy Minister of Water Resources, Turkmenistan
- 15.10-15.30 Future outlook of regional water availability in nearest 25 years
Dukhovny V.A., Director, SIC ICWC, Professor, Honorable ICWC member
- 15.30-15.50 15-year experience in interstate water allocation in the Syrdarya river basin
Khamidov M.Kh., Head of BVO «Syrdarya»
- 15.50-16.05 Interstate water allocation in the Amudarya river basin
Khudaiberganov Yu.Kh., Head of BVO «Amudarya»
- 16.05-16.20 Metrological assurance of automation systems for water distribution control at hydraulic structures
Makarov O.S., Head of ICWC Metrological Center
- 16.20-16.30 Issues of water sector sustainability in Central Asian countries and regional aspects
Khamrayev Sh.R., ICWC member, Deputy Minister, Head of Central Water Administration at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, Republic of Uzbekistan
- 16.30-16.50 Coffee-break

Chairman – Mommadov B.A., ICWC member, Deputy Minister of Water Resources, Turkmenistan
- 16.50-17.05 IWRM for wetland restoration in northern part of the Aral Sea
Kipshakbayev N.K. – Director, Kazakh branch of SIC ICWC, Professor, Honorable ICWC member

- 17.05-17.20 Water management in Kazakhstan: prospects of executing the IWRM Plan and implementing the Water Code at national and basin levels
Kenshimov A.K., Deputy Chairman of Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan
- 17.20-17.30 Operation of the Secretariat of UN Water Convention on the protection and management of transboundary waters
B.Libert, UN Economic Commission for Europe – Head of the Secretariat of UN Water Convention
- 17.30-18.00 Conclusions of the Plenary meeting

25 April 2007, Wednesday

Session «Integrated water resources management – a way to achieve MDGs in Central Asia»

Chair - (Manthritilake H., IWMI)

Business-class №1

- 9.30-10.00 Registration
- Reports:
- 10.00-10.05 Welcome
- 10.05-10.30 Project «IWRM-Fergana»: achievements and future outlook (Manthritilake H.)
- 10.30-11.00 Characteristics of and a need for IWRM in downstream areas and deltas of Amudarya and Syrdarya (Horst M.G.)
- 11.00-11.30 Participatory management of the main irrigation canal (Mirzayev N.N.)
- 11.30-12.00 Group of water users as a guarantee of sustainable water user associations in Central Asia (Kazbekov J.)
- 12.00-12.30 Coffee-break
- 12.30-13.00 Extension service for effective water use by farmers (Mukhamedjanov Sh.Sh.)
- 13.00-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-15.00 Dissemination of experience accumulated in pilot projects at national level (Mamataliyev N.P.)
- 15.00-15.30 Automation of water distribution (Begimov I.)
- 15.30-16.00 Irrigation technique as part of canal operation regime (Tashev R.H., Horst M.G.)
- 16.00-16.30 Qualitative assessment of water management on main canal (Mirzayev N.N.)
- 16.30-17.00 Place and role of hydrometeorological service in IWRM system (Choub V.Ye., Myagkov S.V., Askamov F.M.)
- 17.00-17.30 Improvement of transboundary water management: FP6 INCO-JAYHUN (Ikramova M.R.)
- 17.30-18.00 Discussion, conclusions and closing of the session

Session «Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus: towards 16th session of the UN CSD (2008) for implementation of IWRM plans»

Chair - Mrs. Nino Chkhobadze, Chairman of GWP CACENA

Hall «Zhemchujny»

- 9.30-10.00 Registration
- 10.00-10.05 Welcome from GWPO (B. Guterstam)
- 10.05-10.10 Welcome from CWR Kazakhstan (A. Kenshimov)
- 10.10-10.30 Caucasus and Central Asia on the way to 16th session of the UN CSD in 2008 (N. Chkhobadze)
- 10.30-10.50 Key approaches to planning of IWRM implementation in the region's countries (Sokolov V.I.)
- 10.50-11.10 National IWRM plan of Kazakhstan – from development to implementation (Nikolayenko A., Kipshakbayev N.)
- 11.10-11.30 Road-map of IWRM in Kyrgyz Republic (Djailoobayev A.Sh.)
- 11.30-11.50 Road-map of IWRM inTajikistan (Pulatov Ya.E.)
- 11.30-11.50 Road-map of IWRM in Uzbekistan (Azimov U.A.)
- 12.00-12.30 Coffee-break
- 12.30-11.55 Basin management in Armenia (Mesropyan E.)
- 11.55-12.20 Law harmonization for IWRM implementation in Georgia (Dzamukashvili G.)
- 12.20-12.30 Problems and prospects of IWRM in Azerbaijan (Asadov M.)
- 12.30-12.50 Problems and prospects of IWRM in Turkmenistan (Saparov U.)
- 12.50-13.00 Conclusions and closing of the session (Chkhobadze N.)

Session «Interstate cooperation and the role of ICWC in addressing regional problems»

Chair -

Business-class №2

9.30-10.00 Registration

10.00-18.00 Round table «Interstate cooperation and the role of ICWC in addressing regional problems»

**Joint workshop of EC IFAS and GWP CACENA
«Towards 1st Asian-Pacific Water Summit»**

Chair -

Conference hall «Altyn»

13.30-14.00 Registration

14.00-14.20 Welcome speeches:

Yesimov A.S. – Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan,
member of IFAS Board of Directors

Oda H. – Advisor to APWF President

Chkhobadze N., Chairman of Regional Council, GWP CACENA

Rakhimov S.N. – acting as Chairman of EC IFAS

14.20-14.40 Presentation «About APWF and APWS» (representative of JWF or GWP CACENA)

14.40-15.00 Presentation «Challenges of Central-Asian sub-region in context of APWF's thematic priorities» (representative of EC IFAS)

15.00-15.30 Discussion

15.30-16.00 Discussion, conclusions and adoption of session resolution

26 April 2007, Tuesday

Session «Environmental challenges in Central Asia: analysis and future outlook»

Chair – Makeyev T., REC CA, - Taiteyev A., Ministry of Environment, RK
Business-class №1

09.30-10.00	Registration
10.00-10.20	Central Asian initiative on sustainable development (Makeyev T.)
10.20-10.40	Environmental policy of RK (Taiteyev A.)
10.40-11.00	Environmental policy of KR (Bekkulova D.)
11.00-11.20	Discussion
11.20-11.40	Coffee-break
11.40-12.00	Environmental policy of RT (Boturov K.)
12.00-12.20	Environmental policy of Turkmenistan (Durdyev A.)
12.20-12.40	Environmental policy of RUz (Mamanazarov M.)
12.40-13.00	Discussion
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-14.40	Integrated management in Ily-Balkhash basin (Kamenev E.A.)
14.40-14.55	Water quality standards in Central Asia (Kaidarova R.)
14.55-15.10	Discussion
15.10-15.25	Issues of aquatic ecosystem conservation in CA (Yesekin B.K.)
15.25-15.40	Environmental education in CA (Shakirova T.)
15.40-16.00	Discussion
16.00-16.30	Caspian environmental program: sustainable development of local communities (Yerzakovich Ye.)
16.30-17.00	Coffee-break
17.00-17.15	Public participation in environmental decision making (Aknazarov S., Atakhanova K.)
17.15-17.30	Pilot projects for establishment of financially sustainable water-supply systems in villages (Batalov A.)

- 17.30-17.45 Urgency of intersectoral cooperation while developing environmental policy in Central Asia (Sanginov S.S.)
- 17.45-18.00 Conclusions

Session «Central Asian Regional Water Information Base»

Chair – Dukhovny V.A., Maag H.

Business-class №2

9.30-10.00 Registration

10.00-10.10 Welcome from ICWC and SDC (Dukhovny V.A., Maag H.)

10.10-10.30 Project CAREWIB: results of Phase 1
(Beglov I.F.)

10.30-11.00 Presentation of CAREWIB Information System
(Sorokin D.A.)

11.00-11.40 Project review by independent experts
(Makhmudov E.Zh., Orolbayev E.E.)

11.40-12.00 Possibilities of analytical application of CAREWIB – examples and
advantages
(Sorokin A.G.)

12.00-12.30 Coffee-break

12.30-12.45 Concept for developing project activities in Phase 2
(Beglov I.F.)

12.45-13.00 Discussion of the Concept by all stakeholders

13.00-14.30 Lunch

14.30-16.30 Discussion (continued)

16.30-17.00 Coffee-break

17.00-18.00 Conclusions

Integrated Water Resources Management in Kazakhstan: Meeting of Basin Councils' Representatives in the Republic of Kazakhstan

Chair -

Conference hall «Altyn»

- Section 1 Development of National Plan/Program for Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) and Water Use Efficiency in the Republic of Kazakhstan
- 9.00-9.40 Registration
- 9.40-10.00 Opening.
Ryabtsev A.D. –Chairman of Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan;
Kenshimov A.K., Deputy Chairman of Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan,
National Director of UNDP Project «National IWRM and Water Efficiency Plan for Kazakhstan»
- 10.00-10.15 Aims, objectives and achieved results in UNDP Project «National IWRM and Water Efficiency Plan for Kazakhstan»
Baygazina V., UNDP Kazakhstan
- 10.15-10.30 Main contents, prospects for adoption and implementation of the National IWRM and Water Efficiency Plan for Kazakhstan by 2025
Sarsenbayeva G.B., Chief of Water Use Regulation and Water Protection Division, Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan
- 10.30-10.50 Developing IWRM and water efficiency plans for each river basin in Kazakhstan as a follow-up to IWRM and Water Efficiency Program in the Republic by 2025
Sklyarova G.L., Expert in IWRM, UNDP Project «National IWRM and Water Efficiency Plan for Kazakhstan»
- 10.50-11.00 Questions and answers
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee-break
- Section 2 Meeting of Kazakhstan's Basin Councils
- 11.30-11.45 Main actions of the UNDP project for establishment and support of Basin Councils in Kazakhstan
Nikolayenko A.Yu., Project manager, UNDP Project «National IWRM and Water Efficiency Plan for Kazakhstan»

- 11.45-12.00 Problems of Aralo-Syrdarya Basin Council and ways of their solving.
Karlykhanov A.K., Chairman of Aralo-Syrdarya Basin Council, Head of Aralo-Syrdarya Basin Water Authority
- 12.00-12.15 About implementation of the Water Code's provisions regarding application of water recycling by industries in South Kazakhstan province
Tauipbayev S.U., Chairman of "Kyzylordavodkhoz"
- 12.15-12.30 About implementation of Water Code regarding setting of water-protection zones and belts
Toybayev A.A., Deputy of Akim of Almaty Province
- 12.30-13.00 Experience of work planning by Balkhash-Alakol Basin Council, problems and ways of their solving
Tleulesova A.I., Chairman of Balkhash-Alakol Basin Council
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-14.15 Experience in preparation and negotiation of Basin Agreements
Kudaiberganov N.R., Chairman of Shoo-Talas Basin Council
- 14.15-14.30 Contribution of Basin Councils to equitable and equal distribution of water resources from transboundary rivers
Ibatullin S.R., Director DGP «NIIVH»
- 14.30-14.45 Participation of Basin Councils in solving high-priority issues of rational water use and protection
Ashenov G.A., Chairman of Ishim Basin Council
- 14.45-15.00 Problems of water supply to urban areas in Ishim basin and ways of their solving
Shalabayev K.M., Chief of Akmola Provincial Department for Natural Resources and Nature Use
- 15.00-15.15 Experience of operation between Nura-Sarysu Basin Council and different levels of administrations
Danbayev B.Z., Chairman of Nura-Sarysu Basin Council
- 15.15-15.30 Actions of Mittal Steel Temirtau Company for implementation of Basin Agreement and improvement of water entities
Basin V.B., Chief Power Engineer of Mittal Steel Temirtau
- 15.30-15.45 Plans and actions of Irtysh Basin Council for operation with basin industries
Kobegenov K.J., Chairman of Irtysh Basin Council
- 15.45-16.00 Contribution of NGO to establishment and functioning of Basin Councils
Atakhanova K.Ya., Director of NGO «Ecocenter»
- 16.00-16.30 Coffee-break

- 16.30-16.45 Contribution of Tobol-Torgai Basin Council to development of Master Plan for Water Use and Protection
Ospanbekova G.K., Chairman of Tobol-Torgai Basin Council
- 16.45-17.00 SPKV experience in water resources management improvement
Kanzhagalina U., Counterpart International Kazakhstan
- 17.00-17.15 Preparatory activities for establishment of Basin Council in Uralo-Caspian basin
Kuanov B.O., Head of Uralo-Caspian Basin Water Administration
- 17.15-17.30 Recommendations and procedures for negotiation of Basin Agreements
Petraikov I.A., Expert in Basin Councils, UNDP project
- 17.30-17.45 Presentation of book "Water Resources Management in Kazakhstan – history, state-of-the-art, analysis, comparison, recommendations"
Nikolayenko A.Yu., Petraikov I.A., Alyakhasov Zh., UNDP project
- 17.45-18.00 Conclusions
Closing

27 April 2007, Friday

Plenary meeting

Conference hall «Altyn»

Chairman – Khamrayev Sh.R. – ICWC member, Deputy Minister, Head of Central Water Administration at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, Republic of Uzbekistan

- 14.00-14.20 Chair of section «Central Asian Regional Water Information Base»
- 14.20-14.40 Chair of section «Interstate cooperation and the role of ICWC in addressing regional problems»
- 14.40-15.00 Chair of section «Integrated water resources management – a way to achieve MDGs in Central Asia»
- 15.00-15.20 Chair of section «Global Water Partnership in Central Asia and Caucasus: achievements, future objectives»
- 15.20-15.40 Chair of section «Integrated water resources management in Kazakhstan: meeting of Basin Councils’ representatives in the Republic of Kazakhstan»
- 15.40-16.00 Chair of joint workshop of EC IFAS and GWP CACENA «Towards 1st Asian-Pacific Water Summit»
- 16.00-16.20 Coffee-break
- Chairman - Ryabtsev A.D. – ICWC member, Chairman of Committee for Water Resources at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Kazakhstan
- 16.20-16.40 Chair of section «Environmental challenges in Central Asia»
- 16.40-17.40 Discussion
- 17.40-18.00 Conclusions and closing of the conference

