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ROOM A2, LEVEL 6

TRANSBOUNDARY AQUIFER COOPERATION FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE IN AFRICA

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- Highlight the importance of shared aquifers in advancing water resources resilience in Africa
- Introduce a new GEF project centered on groundwater in Africa
- Share experience from shared aquifer projects globally to learn lessons relevant to advancing transboundary groundwater management in Africa.



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PROGRAM

Session Launch	Benjamin Kiersch, Moderator - FAO	5 minutes
Welcome	Rashid Mbaziira - AMCOW	5 minutes
FAO Shared Water Portfolio	Virginie Gillet - FAO	5 minutes
Transboundary Groundwater in Africa: Potential & Risks	Barbara Willaarts, IIASA & Girma Ebrahim, IWMI	12 minutes
G4DR project	Jonathan Lautze - IWMI	12 minutes
Panel Discussion: Learning from Past Experience Panelists: Southern Africa: James Sauramba - SADC-GMI Sahel: Lamine Baba Sy, OSS Guarani: Ricardo Burg, UNESCO GEF IW:LEARN: Konstantina Toli, GEF IW:LEARN	Moderator: Maha Ismail - NBI	40 minutes
Summing up: Lessons for G4DR	Astrid Hilliers, GEF	5 minutes

SPEAKERS



Benjamin Kiersch,
Moderator - FAO



Virginie Gillet - FAO



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PANEL DISCUSSION



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Astrid Hilliers, GEF: summing
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