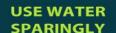
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# Report of the Transboundary and International Water Partnership Commission 7

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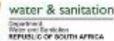














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#### **COMMISSION OBJECTIVE:**

To provide <u>new thinking (and actions)</u> in transboundary water cooperation, in particular with a view to enhance transboundary water <u>investments</u>, taking into account shared aquifers, governance model and gender issues.





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- Overview of RSA cooperation in trans-boundaries
  - -RSA international obligations
  - -Legal framework (Protocol, UN Conventions, bilateral and transboundary agreement with other riparian states Botswana, eSwatini, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia and Zimbabwe.
  - -Emerging issues to be developed on shared aquifers and governance thereof
- Inclusive cooperation where women, youth and people living with disabilities are represented in the Transboundary institutions;
- Financing and water investments models, sustainable infrastructure development and capacity building









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#### **KEY ISSUES IN COMMISSION THEME**

- a. Governance model of transboundary water cooperation in order to strengthen water cooperation
- b. Financing and water investments
- c. Transboundary cooperation on shared aquifers (groundwater management)





## **RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS**

Subtheme	Issues raised	Recommended actions	By whom	Target
Strengthening of Governance	<ul> <li>Limited mandate of RBOs</li> <li>Lack of proper communication</li> <li>Slow decision making</li> <li>Role of women and youth</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Review mandate of RBOs to include investment mobilization</li> <li>Develop Communication strategy for transboundary water resources</li> <li>Raise community awareness on mutually agreed matters</li> <li>Strengthening Regional Cooperation (alignment and political will)</li> <li>Implement women in water Diplomacy for transboundary resources</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DWS, RBOS and partners</li> <li>SADC</li> </ul>	2022/23

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Transboundary groundwater management	<ul> <li>Lack of attention on transboundary groundwater</li> <li>Limited data availability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To enhance mandate, knowledge, understanding and use of groundwater in RBOs</li> <li>Framework for data sharing and management across basin countries</li> <li>Make data on aquifer potential available to local communities and farmers</li> </ul>	DWS, SADC GMI and partners	2022/23

# Thank you

