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Invitation to join a Steering Committee and to participate in the elaboration of the handbook on IWRM at transboundary basin level.

Dear colleague,

The International Network of Basin Organisations and the Global Water partnership, jointly with UNESCO, UNECE, the GEF, Dundee University, and with the support of AFD aim at producing a handbook on IWRM in transboundary basins of rivers, lakes and aquifers.

This handbook will be based on the concrete worldwide experiences and know-how.

Edited and printed first in English and French, the handbook is expected to be launched at the 6th World Water Forum in Marseille, in March 2012.

A Steering Committee will supervise the work along the preparation period. We warmly invite you to become a member.

In addition, the role of the Steering Committee members is to provide adequate substantial material according the draft summary agreed during a first meeting of the stakeholders on Wednesday 19th January 2011.

They will also propose the relevant case studies to be included in the various part of the handbook and advise about case studies proposed by other partners. The Steering Committee members will review the drafts and give a final oversight on the final product.

The Steering Committee will work mainly by email, Skype and telephone conference, avoiding any costly travel. However, as much as possible, the members will take the opportunity to meet in parallel of worldwide events in 2011.

As the objective is to get the final version in November 2011, we are conscious that the time frame is relatively short, but we are confident that with commitment of the partners, their

network and the particular involvement of your staff, we can achieve this task successfully, as we proved for the first INBO – GWP handbook in 2008-2009.

Producing a joint handbook with all the Organisations concerned will be a strong and positive sign within the water community and we hope that you will be able to be part of this work.

Sincerely

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