# Water Security and Conflict An African Perspective

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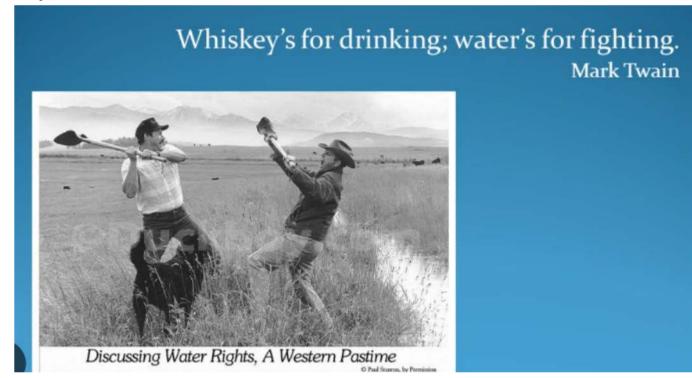
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## Water Security and Conflict

- Water Security for What?
- Water Security for Whom?
- Water Security Where?
- Water Security When?
- Water Security How?
- How much Risk?
- Is Africa's high renewable water dependency a risk or opportunity peace and regional cooperation?
- What tools and capacities are needed for better water security?



### These questions lead to conflicts

Let's take a brief look at each of these from an African Perspective

### Water for Food vs. Environment

UGANDA Conflict between Food and Environment



WETLANDS BEING USED FOR RICE CULTIVATION



## Water for Economic Growth vs. Environment

UGANDA Conflict between Jobs and Environment

Uganda: Govt' allows investors to set up factories in wetlands but orders local communities to vacate





KAMPALA, Uganda — Rapidly disappearing wetlands are at the center of a controversial plan in Uganda to expand job opportunities — especially for young workers — by building a series of industrial parks.

## Water for People vs. Environment

# Cape Town Water supply vs. WQ in Berg River

### WESTERN CAPE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM VELODER Berg quaternary G1 Mator towns Main tributaries Legend Voëlvlei Dam Towns ~ Rivers Wemmershoek Dar Berg water project heewaterskloof Dan 475 million m 898 vailable in the system each year WCWSS SUPPLY AREA

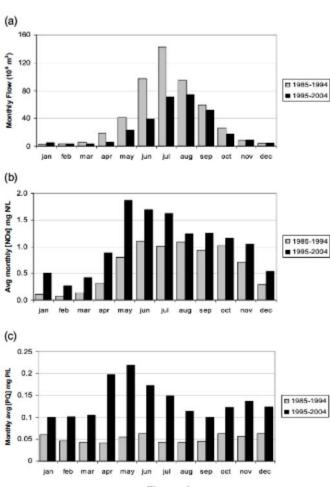
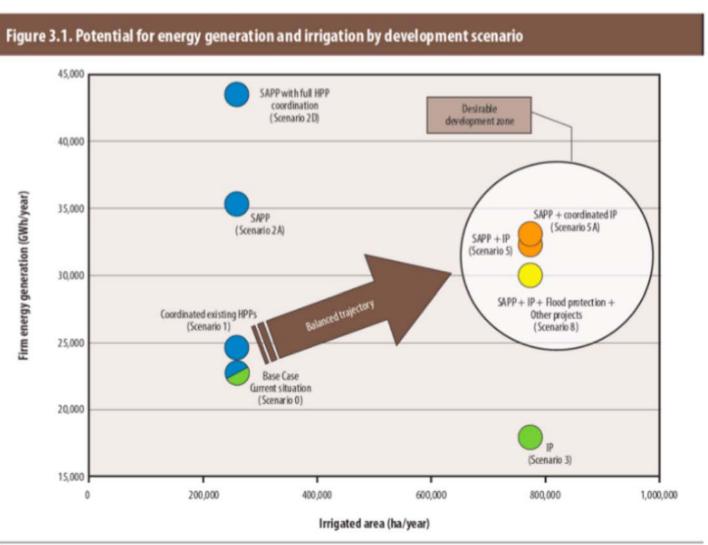


Figure 4

Comparative river flow, [NO<sub>3</sub>' + NO<sub>2</sub>'] and [PO<sub>4</sub>'\*-] monthly averaged data for the periods 1985-1994 and 1995-2004, at monitoring station B3

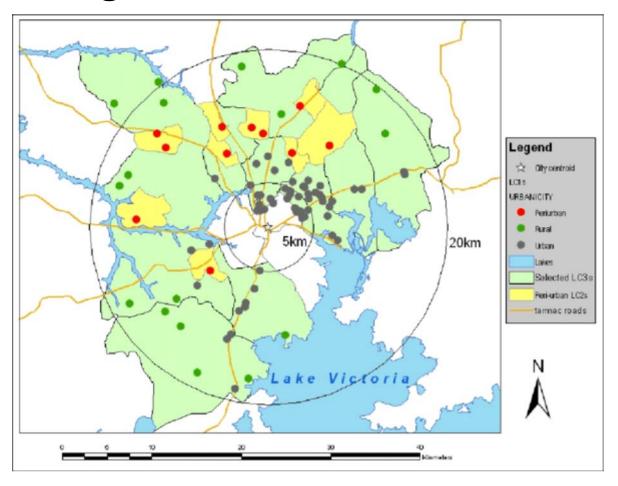
## Water for Food vs. Clean Energy

## Irrigation vs. Hydropower in Zambezi River



## URBAN vs. RURAL

Greater Kampala Conflicts over Priorities, Budgets, Governance, & Power



Water Security Interventions

**Bore Holes** 

Drainage Improvement

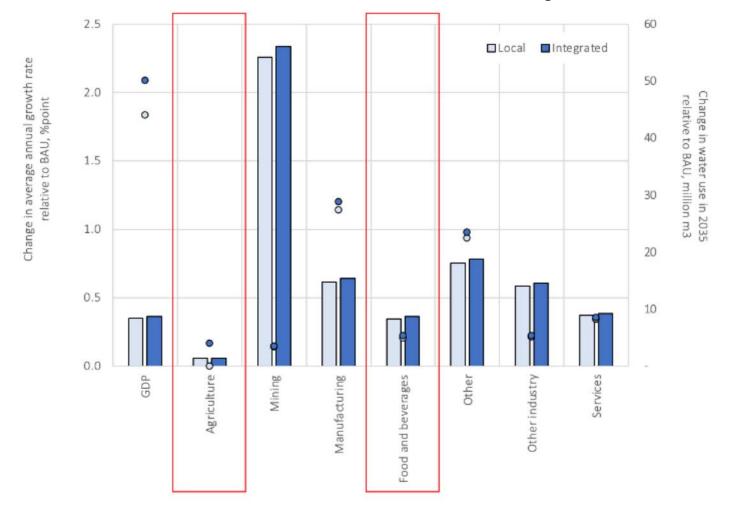
**WETLAND Restoration** 

**Fecal Sludge Removal** 

**Industrial Pre-Treat** 

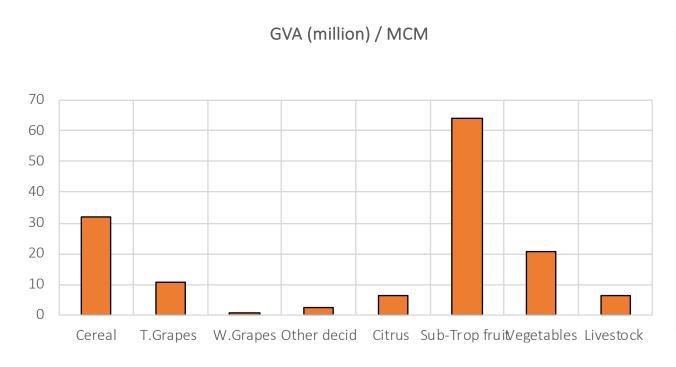
# Water for Agriculture vs. Industry vs. Municipal

Marginal Value Water to Sectoral Growth in Western Cape Province South Africa



### **CONFLICT AMONG CROPS**

## Western Cape South Africa

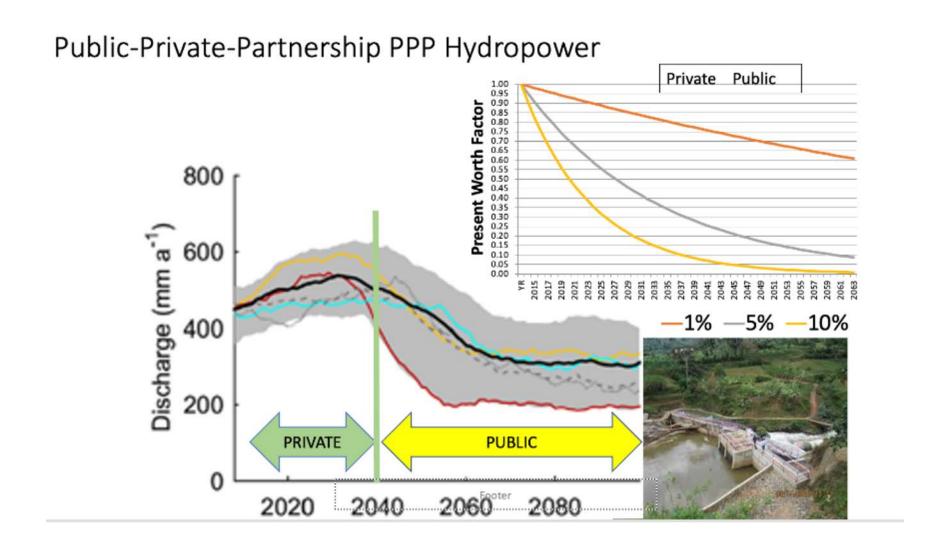


Agriculture		Processed Food			
Cereals	2.34	Meat	2.20		
Table grapes	2.27	Fish	2.21		
Wine grapes	3.11	Fruit and vegetables	2.44		
Deciduous fruits	2.75	Dairy	2.52		
Otrus fruits	2.64	Grain	2.46		
Sub-tropical fruits	2.30	Baking	2.55		
Vegetables	2.42	Animal feed	2.48		
Livestock	2.36	Other food	2.34		
Other agriculture	2.01	Beverages and tobacco	2.36		

Direct Value Added

Value Added Multiplier

# PUBLIC vs. PRIVATE vs. PPP Cost of Capital vs Social Rate of Discount



# Nation Vs Nations Public vs. Private



Table III. Vulnerability of BCUs and population, present and future hazards

		Present hazard level			Future hazard level				
Clima		High	Medium	Low	High	Medium	Low	Total BCUs	
resilie	Vulnerability level (no. of BCUs)								
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Oregon S	Medium	9	113	51	46	93	34	173	
ames D	Low	15	111	50	35	93	48	176	
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Bold entries are the highest risk categories.

World Cymonical Equal Area Projection
WGS 1984 Geographic Coordinate System

**International River Basins of Africa** 

De Stefano et al. 203

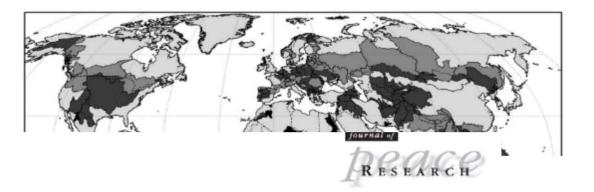


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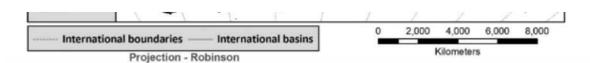


Figure 3. Global distribution of basin-country units in present and future hazard classes.

# Water and Development in the Zambezi Basin under Climate Risk

**CONFLICTS OVER** 

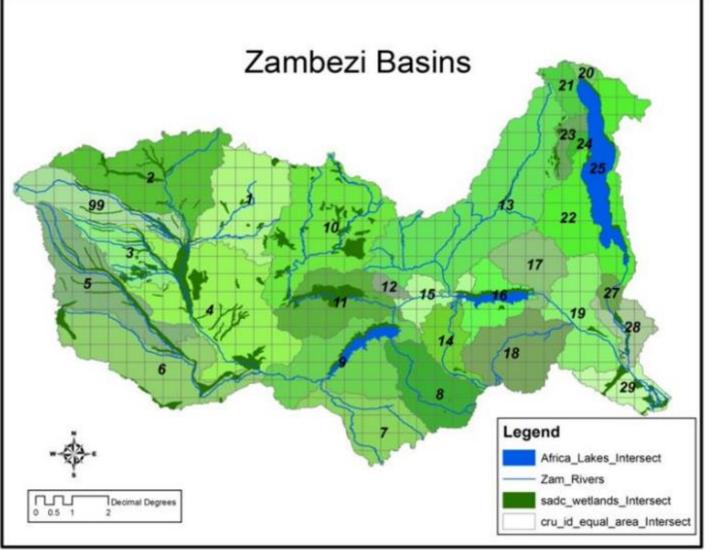
Present versus Future Costs and Benefits

Levels of Risk

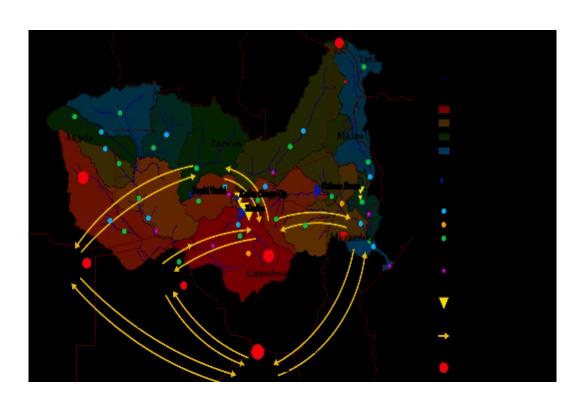
Resilience

**Regional Cooperation** 

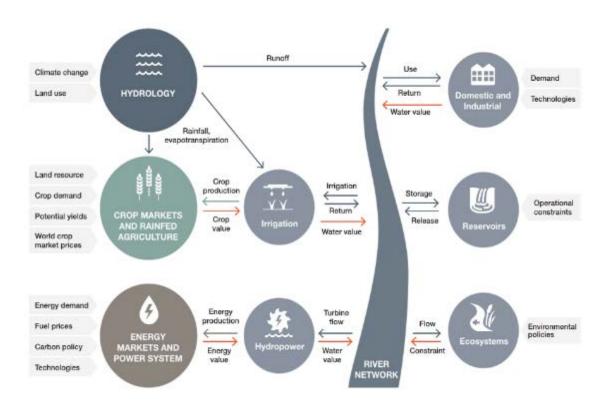




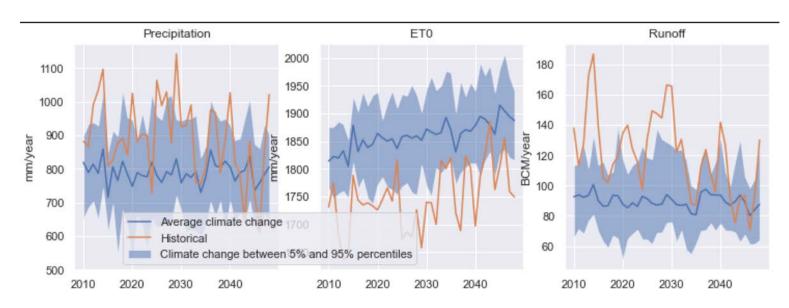
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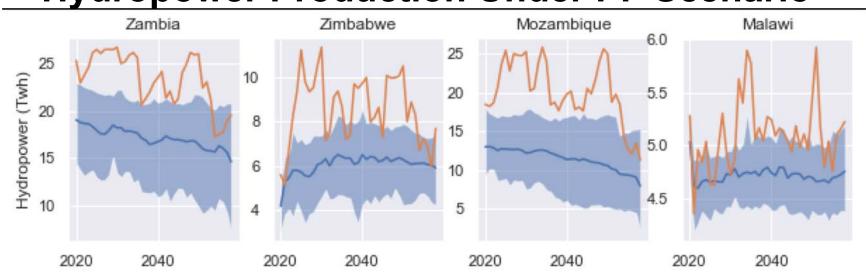
# HYDROECONOMIC OPTIMIZATION MODEL OF THE WATER, AGRICULTURE AND POWER SYSTEMS



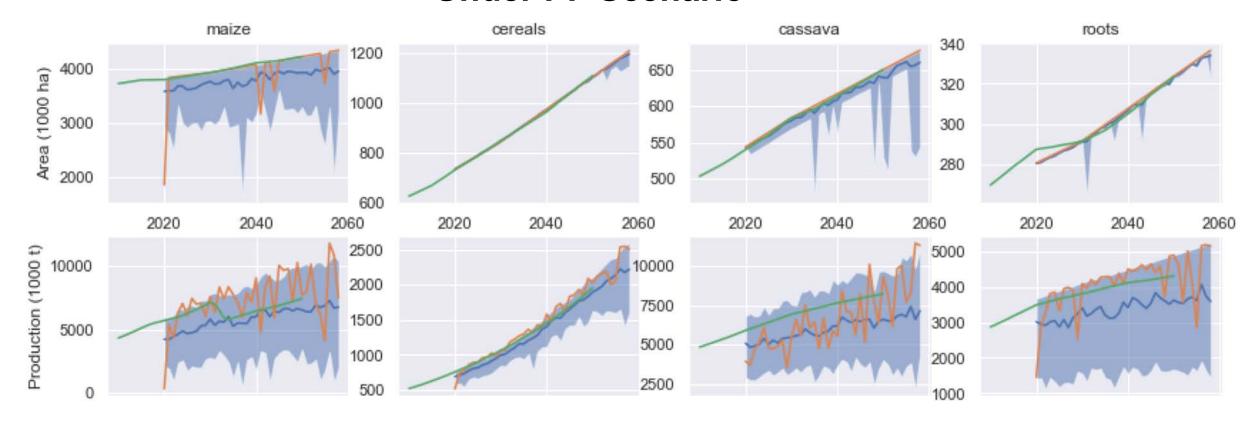
# MIT-JP HFD PROJECTIONS OF HYDRO-CLIMATOLOGY IN ZAMBEZI BASIN

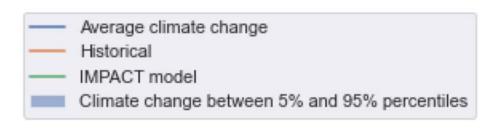


### **Hydropower Production Under PF Scenario**

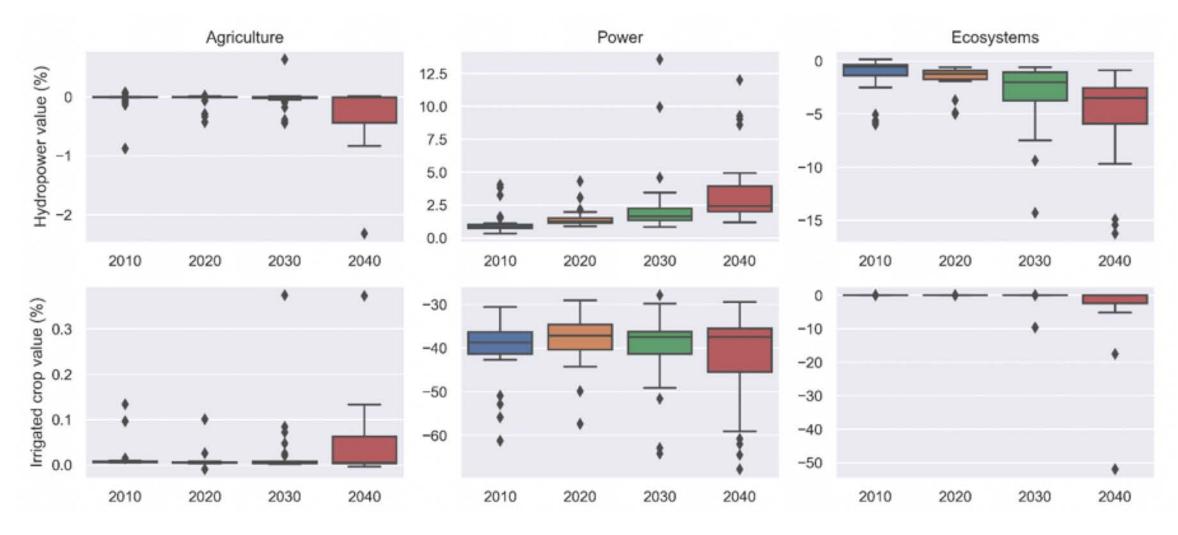


# Rainfed and Irrigated Crop Area and Production Under PF Scenario





# Trade-off between Energy vs. Agriculture under Alternative Water Allocation Policies



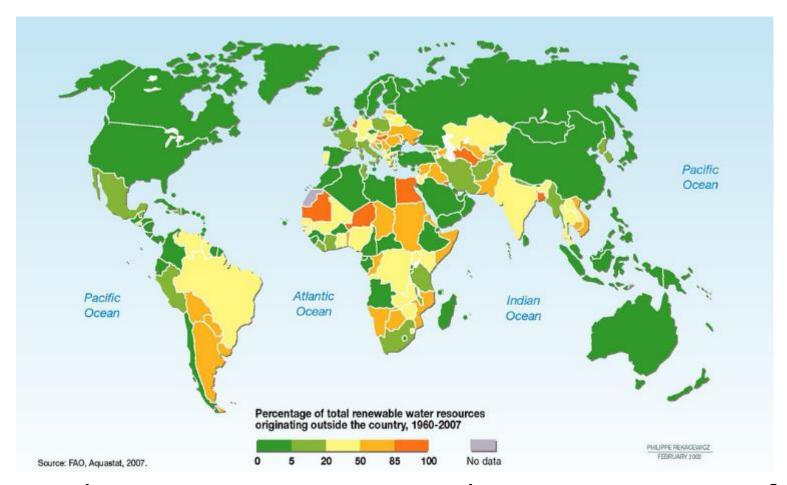
Trade-offs between hydropower, irrigation and ecosystems. Each column represents a different sector being prioritized in the objective function (Agriculture, Power, Ecosystems), and the indicators show the difference with the economically optimal solution.

# Value of Regional Cooperation

Table 13-6. Climate Change Impact on the Unconstrained Development VS High Environmental Protection Scenarios

	HYDRO GEN (TWH/YEAR)		FIRM POW		CALORIES (10^12)	
Scenario	HIST	DRY	HIST	DRY	HIST	DRY
Independent						
Baseline (No Constraints)	39.87	11.81	22.0	8.7	3,983	3,391
Ambitious Environment and Delta/Flood	33.17	13.91	20.8	9.6	3,836	3,301
Cooperative						
Baseline (No Constraints)	46.8	33.0	46.9	33.0	3,557	4,534
Ambitious Environment and Delta/Flood	46.2	14.0	46.4	12.0	3,709	4,635

# Many countries in Africa are dependent on each other for renewable water



High water dependency: A water security risk or an opportunity for regional cooperation for water security

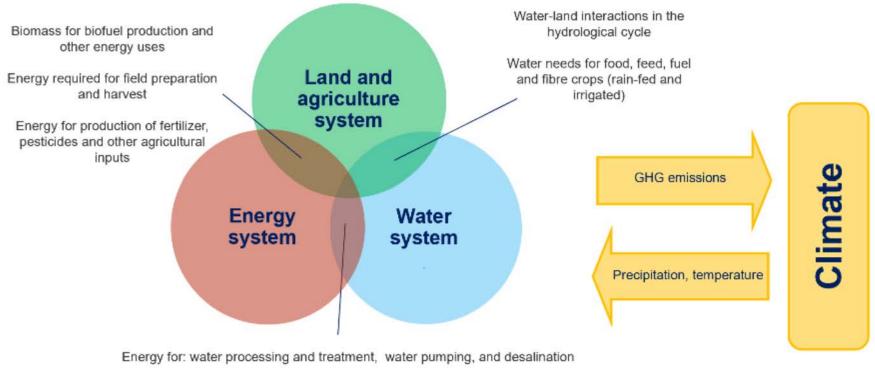






### The Climate, Land, Energy and Water systems (CLEWs) approach in Africa

### Conceptual CLEWs diagram



### Pilots:

- Cameroon
- Ethiopia
- Namibia

Water for: hydropower, power plant cooling, and (bio-) fuel processing

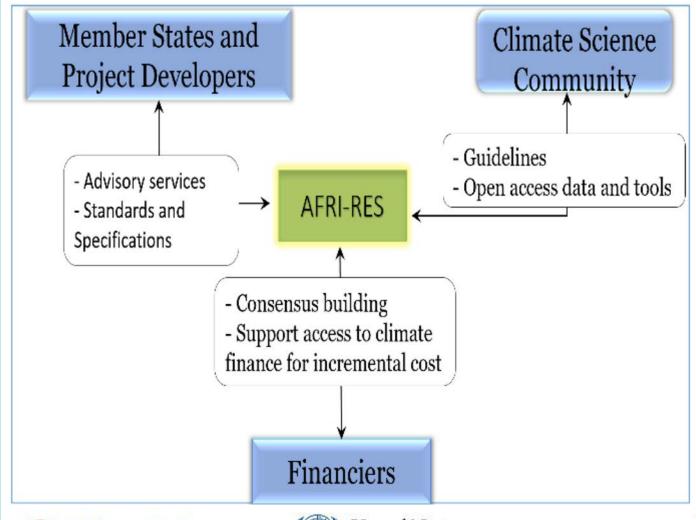
Tools and capacities for policy coherence and integrated climate, land, energy and water systems approaches critical for water security in Africa

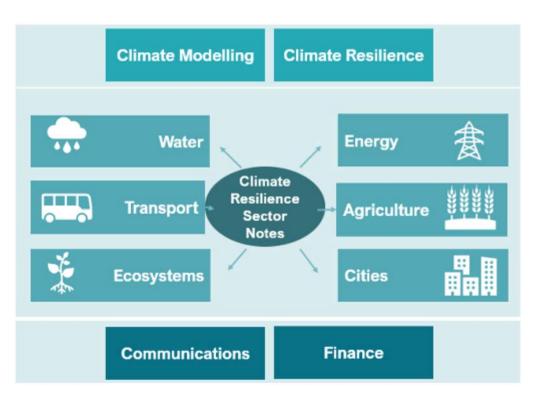
# CONFLICTS IN DEVELOPING CLIMATE RESILIENT WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

- Value Proposition: AFRICA MUST HARNESS THE CLIMATE RESILENCE DIVIDEND !!!!
- Who should pay for additional Climate Change Induced Resilient Cost of Design?
- DEVELOPMENT FUNDERS ARE REQUIRING CLIMATE RESILIENT INVESTMENT PROJECTS BUT NOT PROVIDING THE MARGINAL COST FROM CLIMATE CHANGE
- Africa CANNOT afford to NOT develop Climate Resilient Infrastructure and bearing the burden of GHG climate change they did not emit.
- There is a conflict over who does "RESILIENCE ANALYSES" and who pays for the RESILIENCE
- There is mistrust when being forced to take bigger loans for funders based on there Analysis.
- UNECA and World Bank have initial AFRI-RES The African Climate Resilience Investment Facility
  - To bring awareness and training in tools for resilient design is key sector for African practitioners
  - Moving toward Standards and Certification for Climate Resilience and shared knowledge, data and tools

## **Africa Climate Resilient Investment Facility**

















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Guidance Note:

Climate-Resilient Investment in Sub-Saharan Africa's Water Systems Draft

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**Call for Applications and Nominations** 



