

**Recommendations by the participants from Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, Tajikistan,
Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Switzerland of the Invited Session
'Harmonization of Integrated Water Resources Management in Central Asia;
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1. Permanent observations and baseline information of the water resources components and natural disaster potential by an integrated approach must be guaranteed for achievement of sustainable solutions in water resources management. In addition the exchange between countries of the Central Asian region must be secured.
2. The national and regional institutions should be strengthened to enable them to set-up national and regional plans for disaster reduction, decision making and assistance during emergency situations;
3. Platforms for research, training, education and information should be installed, with the aim to strengthen public awareness and management of water resources and natural disasters;
4. The legal framework in the field of water resources management, natural hazards and strategies for disaster reduction should be improved;
5. Effective regional cooperation in transboundary river basins requires the joint efforts of interested states, constant support of the international organizations, coordination and investments into infrastructure development on a long-term basis in the framework of the Program of precise actions on improvement of socio-economic and ecological situation in the Aral Sea Basin for the period of 2003-2010 (ASBP-2). More attention should be paid for providing the security to waste deposits near to water bodies of natural and artificial dams.

In addition:

Weissfluhjoch/Davos – statement

Thursday, 31st August 2006:

(as a proposal to the IDRC Davos 2006 Declaration)

**By the participants of the invited session 'Harmonization of Integrated Water Resources
Management in Central Asia**

*Adopting the principles of the Integrated Water Resources Management and increasing the
activities of coordination at the National, Interstate and Global level*

will offer a good opportunity

to reduce vulnerability to disasters.

*Involved actions should give priority to the human need for water and should include the
principals of the integrated risk management for natural and human-induced hazards.*
