

Background/status

RSC August 2019: proposal to publish a book on UIBN

to consolidate the network's vision, mission, and the key progress it has made thus far.

An outline of book is to be presented at the RUAM in January 2020

RSC June 2020

Start with an article on article in journal

Share the outline with the RSC

Shared the outline on 20 July

July-Dec: content developed, shared for inputs and feedback

January final draft prepared and language edit done

Finalisation and submission – next week





Outline of the article

Experiences from developing a sciencebased policy network for the Upper Indus Basin

Introduction

Relevance of a Knowledge Network for regional cooperation

The context of the Upper Indus Basin

Evolution of the network

Network achievements

Conclusion and Way forward

Acknowledgements



Major content

Introduction

- Messerli and Ives (1989) –need for flexible and responsive policy process
- Role of science diplomacy parallel with Antarctic and Arctic agreements
- Relevance of knowledge network
 - What is a knowledge network?
 - Example of knowledge networks in the region and outside
 - Example of Arctic Council
 - ICIMOD's experience with other networks

Context of UIB

- Biophysical and socioeconomic context
- Gap in scientific understand
- Vicious circle



and 2010 partners **Expert**

Consultation:

Long-term

on shared

scientific

knowledge

programme

UIB Monitoring Working Group (MWG) was formed by national international

2012

A group of nonand

April

2014

Basin Network

(UIBN)

The UIBN started collaborating with other Indus Forum and coorganizing international events like Indus Basin Knowledge

April 2018 **UIBN** members decided to expand UIBN to all the riparian

Endorsement of the new governance framework with regional and country structure

January 2019 till date

January 2019

Evolution of the network

Forum (IBKF) government, 2017 government international countries experts visited Gilgit-Baltistan. including Based on field Afghanistan, observations the China, India and Pakistan experts formed six TWGs and through their renamed the country MWG as the chapters **Upper Indus**

Network achievements

Operational mechanism

Common platforms at the country level

Common vision at regional level (ToC)

Pathways to regional cooperation

Trust building and collaboration



Conclusion and way forward

Sustainability

Potentials

Policy advocacy and government support

Partnership and capacity building

Outreach and knowledge generation

Representing in international fora



