

SOTEN article on UIBN
Status update

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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 science-based 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

Evolution of the network



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





Thank you