

# Managing Cryosphere and Water Risks in China

19 March 2024 | IMHE, Chengdu, China

## Agenda

All timings are in China Standard Time

Time	Activity
09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-10:15	<p><b>Opening session</b></p> <p>Facilitator – <b>Rongkun Liu</b>, Analyst Indus Koshi China Focal Point, ICIMOD</p> <p>Welcome Remarks – <b>Arun Bhakta Shrestha</b>, Strategic Group Lead, Reducing Climate and Environmental Risks, ICIMOD</p> <p>Opening remarks – CN-ICIMOD representative</p> <p>Introduction to ICIMOD’s MTAP V and Strategic Group 1: Reducing Climate and Environment Risks – <b>Arun Bhakta Shrestha</b>, ICIMOD</p> <p>Introduction to Action Area A: Managing Cryosphere and Water Risks and objectives of the workshop – <b>Neera Shrestha Pradhan</b>, Action Area Coordinator, Managing cryosphere and water risks, ICIMOD.</p> <p>Introduction of the participants</p>
10:15-10:45	Group photo and tea/coffee break
10:45-12:00	<p><b>Session 1: AAA Interventions, activities for 2024 and beyond (where interventions can collaborate with Chinese partners)</b></p> <p>Facilitator – <b>Neera Shrestha Pradhan</b>, ICIMOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AAA1: Promoting a regional approach to addressing increasing risks from a changing cryosphere – <b>Miriam Jackson</b>, Senior Cryosphere Specialist, ICIMOD (15 min)</li> <li>- AAA2: Promoting innovative and inclusive approaches to disaster risk reduction in policies, practices, and investments – <b>Vijay Khadgi</b>, Flood Preparedness and Early Warning Analyst, ICIMOD (15 min)</li> <li>- AAA3: Promoting river basin-scale frameworks for informed and inclusive decision making – <b>Faisal M. Qamer</b>, Remote Sensing Specialist, ICIMOD (15 min)</li> </ul> <p>Discussions</p>
12:00-13:00	Lunch break
13:00 – 14:30	<p><b>Session 2: Leveraging partnerships forward to manage Cryosphere and Water Risks</b></p> <p><b>Facilitator – Each intervention manager</b></p> <p>Group work (75 min)</p>

Group AAA1:

1. Past collaboration review
2. Key areas for cooperation: What can we work on together for 2024 and beyond: (suggested action items) 1) Cryosphere strategy, 2) HKH CryoHub, and 3) Mapping gaps for capacity building.
3. Key focal partners for interventions

Group AAA2:

1. Past collaboration review
2. Key areas for cooperation: What can we work on together for 2024 and beyond: (suggested action items) 1) multi-hazard risk assessment framework, 2) NbS for DRR, and 3) Technologies and tools
3. Key focal partners for interventions

Group AAA3:

1. Past collaboration review
2. Key areas for cooperation: What can we work on together for 2024 and beyond: (suggested action items) 1) River basin assessment and cooperation framework, 2) River Basin Networks, and 3) IRBM training
3. Key focal partners for interventions

Plenary reporting and discussion (15 min – 5 min for each group)

**14:30 – 14:45      Session 3: Closing Session**

**Facilitator- Rongkun Liu, ICIMOD**

- Summary of the consultation workshop - **Neera Shrestha Pradhan**, ICIMOD
- Remarks - participants (1 participant from each intervention)
- Remarks by IMHE
- Closing Remarks and Vote of thanks – **Arun Bhakta Shrestha**, ICIMOD

**14:45 – 15:15      Tea/coffee**

**15:15 – 17:30      UIBN China Chapter Meeting (Hybrid with virtual access)**

Facilitator – **Dr. Liu Qiao**, Associate Professor, IMHE-CAS

**ICIMOD Remarks**

- China Chapter Update: Status of UIBN China Chapter as the RSC Chair for 2024-2025 and Remarks - **Prof. He Daming**, Professor, Yunnan University  
Discussion on China Chapter's planned activities for 2024 and 2025 in China and with ICIMOD and other country chapters
- Planned regional activities for UIBN (e.g., Indus Basin-level Synthesis) to support the Cooperation Framework – **Faisal M. Qamer**, ICIMOD
- Summary of the session (10 min)
  - Set of action points

---

Rapporteurs:

1. **Sudan Bikash Maharjan**, Remote Sensing Analyst – Cryosphere, ICIMOD
2. **Sher Muhammad**, Remote Sensing Specialist, ICIMOD
3. **Aneel Piryani**, Programme Officer, ICIMOD