

Workshop

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT IN CENTRAL ASIA: REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AT STAKE

Barcelona, 23 January 2009

Venue: Sala Maragall, CIDOB Foundation - C/ Elisabets, 12 - 08001 Barcelona

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The Water Tribune held at the recent Zaragoza Expo 2008 has served to highlight some of the main challenges that water management imply for the internal articulation of nations and for international relations. This workshop intends to examine some of the main issues that apply on this regard to Central Asia, including prospects for an integrated water managing and its relevance for international security. The analyses that will be presented will serve also to discuss about the role of international organisations in Central Asia and to draw some prospects about the EU policy towards the region, which will be leaded by the Spanish chairmanship in 2010.

12.00 Welcome and presentation: **Jordi Vaquer**, Director, CIDOB Foundation

12.15 FIRST SESSION

Moderator: **Alberto Priego**, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London.

WATER MANAGEMENT IN CENTRAL ASIA: SECURITY IMPLICATIONS AND PROSPECTS FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION

Speaker: **Anar Khamzayeva**, LUISS Guido Carli University, Rome. Former research analyst Institute for World Economy and Politics (IWEPI), Kazakhstan

INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (IWRM) ISSUES IN UZBEKISTÁN

Speaker: **Farhod Maksudov**, Senior Researcher, Uzbek Academy of Sciences, and Environment Specialist, UNDP Country Office in Tashkent, Uzbekistan

13.00 Debate (*ending at 13h45*)

14.00 Lunch

16.00 SECOND SESSION

Moderator: **Laura Vea**, Institut d'Estudis Internacionals i Interculturals, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT PATTERNS IN THE FERGHANA VALLEY

Speaker: **Bektur Sakiev**, Liaison Officer GPPAC, Foundation for Tolerance International, Kirgizstan

IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON WATER RESOURCES IN CENTRAL ASIA

Speaker: **Sulton Rahimov**, former Chair Executive Committee for the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (EC-IFAS), Tajikistan

16.45 Debate

17.20 Conclusions

Carlos Fernández-Jáuregui, former Director, UN-Water Decade Office, Zaragoza

17.40 Closing: **Aurèlia Mañé**, Director, Observatorio Asia Central (OAC)

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