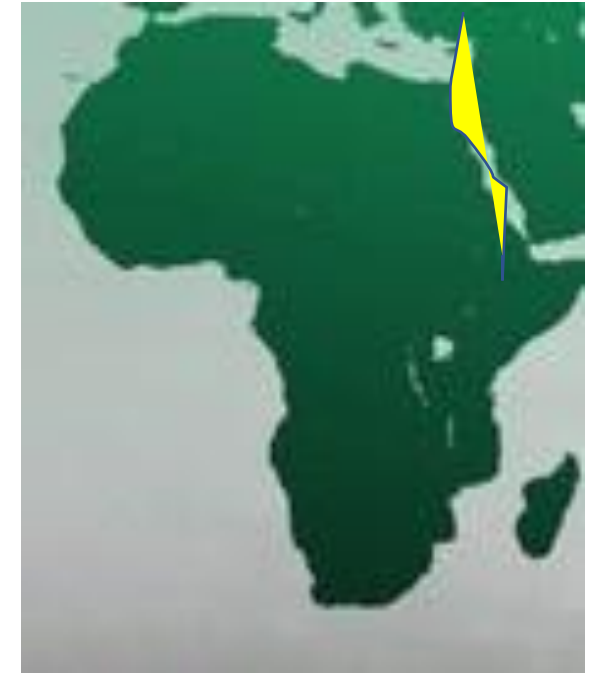


# Women and Resilience in the Water sector- Perspective of a Basin-wide Organization

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## All-Inclusive Mandate

The independent voice of grassroots people linking communities in 10 countries along the Nile, with 625 CSO members, connecting them with Governments and intergovernmental organizations, enriching trans-boundary projects, programs and policies.

## Women in Social and Climate resilience.

2013 → “Engaging Civil Society for Social and Climate Resilience basin-wide”. In partnership with Cooperation in International Waters in Africa (CIWA) / World Bank (WB)

- » facilitated capacity building for communities/women as climate resilience champions.
- » empowering the proactive mindset of women focused on entrepreneurial behaviors involved in climate resilience.

# Women Water in Communities for Change.

2018 → “Women and Water in Communities for Change.”  
wetlands of Lake Victoria and Mara River Basin. In partnership  
with Coca Cola Foundation Program of IHE-Delft

» Peer-to-Peer women learning caravans on WASH activities in  
the wetlands maintenance, focusing on Lake Victoria.

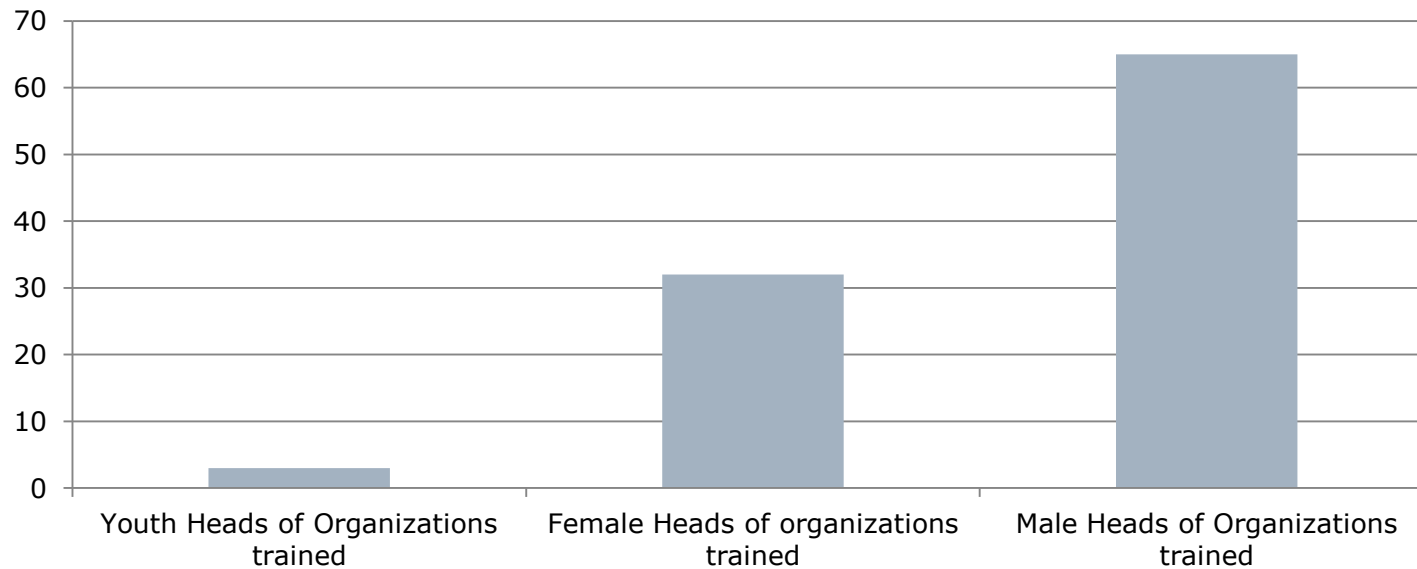
## Women in Trans-boundary Shared Waters

2015 –to date “Baro-Akobo-Sobat; Nyimur Aswa; Lakes Edward-Albert shared sub-basins).

- » Dialogue platforms on investments, climate and food security, migration and conflict on natural resources.
- » Engage women in watershed management and integrated water resource management in key basin-wide programs such as the upstream protection to improving underground water aquifers; and enhance their role in dam safety and flood control.
  - »Vertical and horizontal pipelines of communication.

# Women in Leadership/Governance-1

It emerged that of approx. 800 representatives of organizations in 10 Nile countries that benefitted from capacity building in CRM. Women & youth leaders were a minority.



## Women in Leadership/Governance-2

2015→ Nile countries in 3 clusters each led by a woman

2020→

- » Basin-wide program for proactive women leadership (informed by findings of the stakeholder mapping 2015 and findings at Climate Risk Management and Resilience capacity building platforms of 2015, 2017, 2018” and the lessons of CIWA/WB and the Women for Water Partnership (WfWP))

## Women Citizen Data

2020→

- » Progress from User Generated Content (UGC) to citizen data
- » an anchored core group at grassroots to involve women on citizen data generation and provision, as such engendering the contributions to position papers for policy discussions, and program and project developments.

(climate risk management and resilience, WASH in wetlands, dam safety, floods and drought , watershed, population and food and water security, ..)



## Impact of COVID-19

- » Much of the activities on hold at the moment.
- » Re-planning to more and more virtual activities that could be implemented now and with deliverables, however a challenge for grassroots communities.

# Thank You

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