

LAKE CHAD BASIN

RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY NAME: Lake Chad Basin Commission / Commission du bassin du lac Tchad

RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY SHORT: LCBC / CBLT

YEAR (LEGAL FRAMEWORK): The Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC) was established by the Fort-Lamy (N'Djamena Convention) on 22nd May 1964 by the four countries bordering Lake Chad: Cameroon, Niger, Nigeria and Chad. The Central African Republic joined the organization in 1996 and Libya was admitted in 2008. Sudan, Egypt, the Republic of Congo and the Democratic Republic of Congo held observer status. LCBC is a basin organization, member of both the African Network of Basin Organizations (ANBO) and the International Network of Basin Organizations (INBO).

MEMBER STATES: Cameroon, Niger, Nigeria, Chad, Central African Republic and Libya.

NUMBER OF MEMBER STATES: 6

MANDATE:

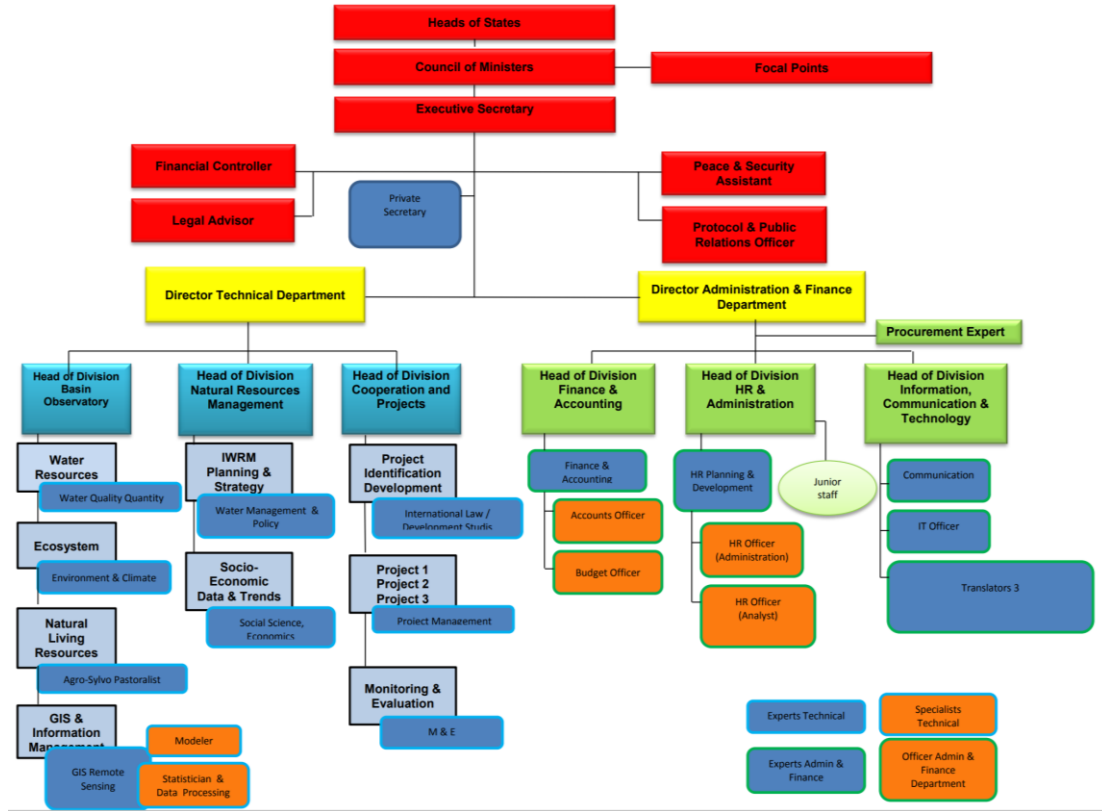
- To manage of the waters Lake Chad and the other transboundary water resources in a sustainable and equitable way;
- To conserve the ecosystems of the conventional basin;
- To promote regional integration and safeguard peace and security in the conventional basin

OBJECTIVES: The LCBC Vision 2025 aims to achieve the following objectives:

- Maintenance the Lake Chad and other wetlands at sustainable levels, to ensure the economic security of the freshwater ecosystem resources, sustained biodiversity and aquatic resources of the basin, the use of which should be equitable to serve the needs of the population of the basin thereby reducing the poverty level.
- Acceptance of responsibilities for freshwater, ecosystem and biodiversity conservation by regional and national authorities, as well as judicious integrated river basin management to achieve sustainable development.
- Every Member State should have equitable access to safe and adequate water resources, to meet its needs and maintain its freshwater, ecosystem and biodiversity resources.

In this regard, the LCBC countries adopted a long-term vision and strategic action plan (PAS) in 2008 and a Water Charter in April 2012. The Water Charter aims to help the LCBC achieve its Vision 2025 and Strategic Action Plan with an approach inspired by the principles of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM)

STRUCTURE: The main bodies are the Summit of the Head of States and Governments (which provides the political direction), the Council of Ministers (in charge of the supervision and control of the LCBC, the Executive Secretariat (which executes the decisions and it is integrated by the Executive Secretary and the Departments headed by Director General) and the Consultative Committees.



Source: Organogram – LCBC (cblt.org)

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