

**Kagera Transboundary Agro-ecosystem Management Project (TAMP)  
National Stakeholder Workshop and Project Steering Committee Meeting  
Venue: Cephass INN and Hotel Africana**

**Abstract**

*The national stakeholder workshop and project steering committee meeting were held in Kabale and Kampala respectively from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> November 2010. The purpose of the national stakeholder workshop was to facilitate information sharing and collaborative arrangements with government relevant departments and other partners in project implementation. Furthermore, it was to develop the criteria for site selection and make relevant recommendations. The project steering committee meeting was to adopt the annual national work plan, endorse annual project activities and evaluate the terms of reference for the national project steering committee and regional steering committees.*

*The workshop was composed of district technical staff from the six districts in Kagera basin, mainly from agriculture, water, environment and land management departments. Other participants included Millennium Village Project funded by UNDP and Africa 2000 a local NGO. Government representatives from ministry of finance, planning and economic development, ministry of agriculture animal industry and fisheries, and National Environment Management Authority attended the workshop.*

*The synopsis showing project areas, project history, policy context, challenges, goal, outcomes, expected results, and project approach and management were presented to participants. The log frame and a summary roadmap for the project were also presented. These formed the basis for discussions. The participants observed that project activities complement local Government and Government of Uganda on sustainable land management. They further observed that partnership would create synergy and result in improved land management in areas of integrated watershed management and policy advocacy. Co-funding and collaborative arrangements based on a memorandum of understanding in sub counties where these activities are carried out was seen as a firm bedrock on which the project can be built.*

*The workshop recommended that capacity for the district project facilitators in farmer field school methodology be built. Furthermore, they felt that national Steering Committee meetings be held annually and one mid-term meeting for all stakeholders preferably after 2 years of the project. The Project steering committee recommended that Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries formerly write to the districts to inform them about the need to actively participate in the Kagera TAMP project activities and co-funding obligation. The committee formerly approved the workplan and recommended that budget details be worked out. Members suggested that yearly requisition for funds made to lose less time.*