



Save Aral Sea

Cooperation with international organizations and donors

There were held meetings and negotiations on the implementation of specific programs and projects with international organizations and donors:



Германское агентство по международному развитию (ГИЦ)



Швейцарское бюро по сотрудничеству (ШБС)



Программа развития ООН (ПРООН)



Региональный Центр ООН по превентивной дипломатии для Центральной Азии (РЦПДЦА)



Европейская Экономическая Комиссия (ЕЭК)



Региональный экологический центр Центральной Азии (РЭЦЦА)



Всемирный банк (ВБ)



Исламский банк развития (ИБР) и др.

Implementation of the following projects is developing:

giz together with **GIZ**

Project on the afforestation of dry bottom of the Aral Sea



together with **SCO**

Project on the development of concepts of wide introduction of water saving technologies and capacity building of water users associations



Implementation of the following projects is developing:



together with **UNDP**

Project on the elaboration of development strategy in the water sector



together with **CAREC**

Project on the improvement of the ecological environment and biodiversity conservation in the Aral Sea area



together with **UNRCCA**

Project on the improvement of the efficiency of water use and skills of water resources experts



Ongoing projects

Currently, in accordance with the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan № 285 on May 14, 2013 **GEF Agency together with Nukus branch** of IFAS Executive Committee started the following projects amounting **26.0 billion sums**. *Including:*

- Creation of small local reservoirs in the delta of Amudarya;
- Creation of protective forest plantations on a number of areas "Achantay" and "Accum";
- Construction of intake structures with desalination plants in Takhtakupir area;
- Ornithological monitoring of the Southern Aral Sea basins.



Measures on implementation of the projects in the Aral Sea area

In order to attract funds from international organizations and donors to carry out specific activities in the Aral Sea area there are developing national project proposals in conjunction with:

- Ministry of Agriculture;
- Ministry of Economy;
- Ministry of Health;
- SCNP
- Uzkommunkhizmat;
- Ecomovement;
- Local authorities (khokimiyats) of Navoi, Khorezm and Bukhara regions and the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan.

Developing projects are aimed at:

- enhancing the efficiency of using of water resources;
- providing the rural population with safe drinking water;
- strengthening the technical base of medical institutions in the rural areas;
- establishment of nurseries for the conservation of endangered species of flora and fauna and expansion of protected areas;
- creation of conditions for employment and income growth, etc.

"Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"

The program was developed by Uzbekistan and provides implementation of the following fundamentally important areas on mitigation of the negative consequences of the Aral crisis:

- I. Creating the conditions for living, reproduction and conservation of genetic diversity in the Aral Sea;
- II. Improving the management system and the economical use of water resources. Maintaining natural reservoirs in the Aral Sea;
- III. Implementation of large-scale activities on implementing afforestation on the dry bottom of the Aral Sea and prevention of the desertification in the region;
- IV. Biodiversity conservation, restoration of biological resources, protection of flora and fauna;
- V. Further improvement of the institutional base and strengthening cooperation the region states under the IFAS.

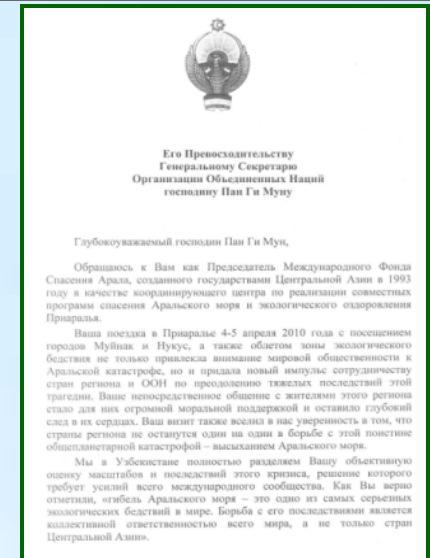


"Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"

This program was sent to the Secretary General of UN on July 10, 2013 via letter of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, IFAS President

The program was approved by the UN Secretary General (letter's date – august 16, 2013 year) and was distributed as an official document at the 68th session of the UN General Assembly.

UN Secretary General proposed the implementation of priority directions of the Program in cooperation with Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy in Central Asia.



"Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"

The implementation program requires:

- implementation of advocacy on a wide lighting of the Program at the international level;
- raising of funds and efforts of international organizations and donors to implement measures for the priority directions of the Program;
- intensification of work on the implementation of national and regional projects in the Aral Sea area;
- expansion of cooperation with UN agencies, in particular the Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy in Central Asia and others in order to implement programs and projects related to the rehabilitation the Aral Sea area.

Action program on assistance countries in the Aral Sea Basin (ASBP-3)

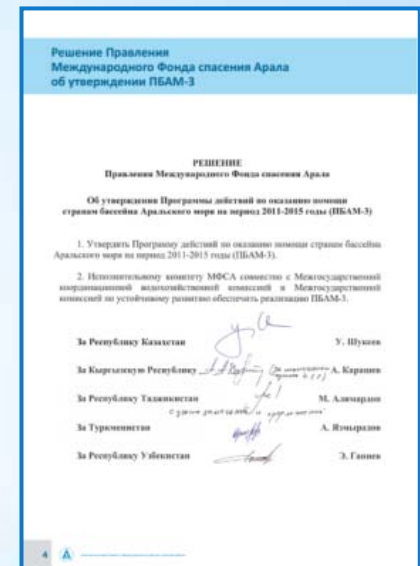
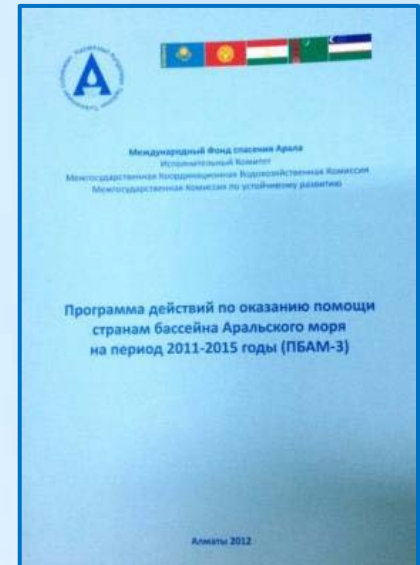
ASBP-3 was developed in conjunction with IFAS Executive Committee and ICWC and ICSD, involving national experts and donors in accordance with the instructions of the Heads of IFAS States (Joint Statement of 28 April 2009., Almaty).

ASBP-3 was approved by the Decision of the Board of IFAS (2011, Almaty).

In development of ASBP-3 was used the Action Plan adopted on the basis of the International Conference on the Aral Sea problems, held on 10-11 of March 2008 in Tashkent with the support of the UN.

ASBP-3 provides the implementation of **293 projects worth 8.6 billion USD**, including:

- 248 national** projects worth **\$ 8.5 billion**
- **45 regional** projects worth **\$ 126 million**



Review of the implementation of ASBP-3

National projects of ASBP-3

Countries	Total projects	Total cost (mln. doll.)	including					
			Finished projects		Ongoing projects		Prospective projects	
			quantity	cost	quantity	cost	quantity	cost
Uzbekistan	66	2 624	12	274	38	1 795	16	555
Kazakhstan	98	3 932	67	339	12	3 158	19	435
Kyrgyzstan	14	127	6	54	6	64	2	9,0
Tajikistan	60	1 853	4	447	30	830	26	576
Turkmenistan	10	8,3	3	1,2	3	5,6	4	1,5
Total:	248	8 544	92	1 115	89	5 853	67	1 577

Review of the implementation of ASBP-3


Regional projects of ASBP-3

The only project implemented from the 45 regional projects worth 126.4 million dollars was "Improvement of the hydrometeorological monitoring system" amounting- USD \$21 million.


Direction of ASBP-3	Number of projects	Total cost of projects (mln.doll.)
Integrated using of water resources	12	43,2
Ecological	12	28,8
Socio-economic	6	20,9
Strengthening of institutional and legal mechanisms	14	12,5
TOTAL	44	105,4

Reasons for a donor conference in Tashkent


In accordance with Standing Order the main task of IFAS Executive Committee is to **implement programs and projects** aimed at overcoming the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea, and for this purpose to **expand cooperation** with international organizations and donor countries



Protocol decision of the Cabinet of Ministers of Uzbekistan dated on the 14th of August of 2013 year number 242 on the organization of IFAS Executive Committee activity in the IV quarter of 2013 year **provided for holding International Donor Conference** to raise funds from international organizations and donors to implement projects and programs



The main task of the Executive Committee is to **implement the ASBP-3** and IFAS Executive Committee **prepared a list of prospective projects** for IFIs, donors and international organizations financing. Developed the issue of implementation of specific grant projects



There is a need to invite attention of the international community to implement developed by Uzbekistan "**Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of the drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea**"

Donor conference

Purpose: Fundraising international organizations and donors to implement programs and projects consistent with the goals and objectives of IFAS.

Participants: Total – 230 people

- international organizations, IFIs and donors - more than 90 people
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representatives of the diplomatic corps - 25 people
(Embassies of the IFAS States and other donor countries)
representatives of the IFAS States - 30 people
Members of the Board of IFAS, ICWC, ICSD, other donor countries)
regional bodies of IFAS - 25 people
(IFAS affiliates representatives, BWO "Amudarya" and "Syrdarya" ICWC Secretariat of SIC, ICWC and ICSD);
Representatives of relevant ministries and departments of Uzbekistan - about 30 people
(MFA, MFERIT, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Health, SMFA, Uzkommunkhizmat, Ecology Movement, etc.)

Date: April 2014

Funding: The total cost - 50 thousand U.S. dollars.

UNECE - USD 36 thousands, GIZ - 10 thousand euro.

Proposed projects within the donor conference

The international organizations and donors under the donor conference will be submitted for funding following project proposals:

1. Regional and national projects and programs under the ASBP-3
2. National projects aimed at the implementation of the main provisions of the "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevention the disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"
3. Scheduled to implement grant projects funded by international organizations and donors

Projects proposed to donors

1. Regional and national long-term projects and programs under the ASBP-3

National: 67 projects amounted 1 mlrd. 577 mln. doll.

IFAS States	Projects amount	Total cost, (mln. doll.)	including		
			Nat. funds	grant	credit
Uzbekistan	16	554,7	78,5	4,4	471,7
Kazakhstan	19	435,1	72,2	11,8	351,1
Kyrgyzstan	2	9,0	-	9,0	-
Tajikistan	26	575,8	28,6	50,1	497,2
Turkmenistan	4	1,5	1,5	-	-
TOTAL:	67	1576	180,7	75,2	1320,0

Региональные: 44 проектов на сумму 105,3 млн. долл.

Directions of ASBP-3	Projects amount	Total cost, (mln. doll.)
Integrated using of water resources	12	43,17
Ecological	12	28,8
Socio-economic	6	20,91
Improving of institutional mechanisms	14	12,47
TOTAL:	44	105,35

Projects proposed to donors

2. National projects aimed at the implementation of the main provisions of the "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"

Total 41 grant projects amounting \$ 30.1 million, developed in conjunction with the ministries and departments, as well as the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan and state administrations (khokimiyats) of Khorezm, Navoi and Bukhara regions.

Priorities	Projects amount	Total cost, (mln. doll.)	Including	
			Nat. funds	grant
I. Creating the conditions for living, reproduction and conservation of genetic diversity in the Aral Sea	19	14,5	2,1	12,6
II. Improving the management system and the economical use of water resources. Maintaining natural reservoirs system in the Aral Sea	13	5,7	0,6	5,1
III. Implementation of the large-scale activities to implement afforestation on the dry bottom of the Aral Sea and prevention of desertification	2	2,1	0,4	1,7
IV. Biodiversity conservation, restoration of biological resources, protection of flora and fauna	4	3,8	0,3	3,5
V. Further improvement of the institutional base and strengthening cooperation in the region under the IFAS activity	3	4,0	0,7	3,3
TOTAL:	44	30,1	4,1	26,0

Projects proposed to donors

3. Scheduled to implementation grant projects funded by international organizations and donors

Total 5 projects amounting \$ 15.2 million

№	Name	Partners and donors	Total cost, (mln.doll.)	including	
				Nat. funds	Grant funds
1	Development of strategy in the water sector	UNDP	2,4	0,3	2,1
2	Improving the ecological environment and conservation of the biodiversity in the Aral Sea area	Regional Ecological center	1,5	0,3	1,2
3	Improving the water use efficiency	Regional Centre of Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia	1,7	0,2	1,5
4	Implementation of forest plantations on dry bottom of the Aral Sea	GIZ	3,2	0,6	2,6
5	Development of concepts for wide adoption of water saving technologies and capacity building of water users associations	Swiss Cooperation Office	6,4	0,7	5,7
TOTAL:			15,2	2,1	13,1

Expected outcomes of donor conference

- ❖ Attracting the attention of the international community to the implementation of developed by Uzbekistan and adopted as an official document of the 68th session of the UN General Assembly **"Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of the drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea"**;
- ❖ **Fundraising additional funds** from international organizations and donors for the implementation of specific programs and projects;
- ❖ **Presentation of starting activity** of IFAS **Executive Committee** in Tashkent;
- ❖ **Enhancing international cooperation** IFAS Executive Committee;
- ❖ **Demonstration of the measures taken by Uzbekistan** in the Aral Sea area.

The Action Plan includes:

- ❖ Holding events to attract attention and efforts of the international community to the problems of the Aral Sea:
 - Donor conference in Tashkent 2014.;
 - Expedition in the Aral Sea region in the II quarter of 2014 year for representatives of UN agencies and other international organizations to review the steps taken for the plantations on the dried bottom of the Aral Sea and the establishment of local reservoirs;
 - Joint event with UNDP in the II quarter of 2014 year under the project "Ensuring the vital functions of people affected by the Aral Sea crisis";
 - Scientific-practical conference in Nukus on the Aral Sea problems in the III quarter of 2014;
 - Special events on the problems of the Aral Sea under the United Nations activities in the II-IV quarters of 2014 year;
 - IFAS Board meeting in 2014;
 - Seminars on international water law in the period of 2014 2015 years etc.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Attraction of the efforts of international organizations and donor countries for the implementation of programs and projects aimed at mitigating the adverse effects of the Aral Sea drying, as well as addressing environmental problems in the region	MFERIT, MFAs, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Agriculture, SCNP, Ministry of Health, Uzkommunkhizmat, Ecomovement, Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan etc.	UN agencies, international organizations and donor countries	Constantly (during the period of 2013-2016y.)

Rationale:

Implementation of the "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying up of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea", calls for increased fund-raising efforts and the efforts of international organizations and donor countries to finance programs and projects in the Aral Sea area.

In accordance with Standing order IFAS Executive Committee provides:

- Implementation of programs and projects aimed at overcoming the consequences of the Aral Sea drying (third indention of 7);*
- Cooperation with international organizations, donor countries, environmental and other foundations to enhance action on environmental issues and rehabilitation of ecologically unfavorable areas (sixth indention of paragraph 7).*

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Carrying out projects for the implementation of forest plantations on dry bottom of the Aral Sea and the continuation of afforestation in the Aral Sea area	Ministry of Agriculture, GEF Agency, Ministry of Finance, SCNP, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan	GIC etc.	2014-2016 years

Rationale:

Preliminarily with GIC is reached an agreement to develop and implement a project on implementation of forest plantations in the Aral Sea. According to the GIC, the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety of Germany can grant for this project the amount of € 2 million.

Currently, EC of the IFAS holds negotiations with the representatives of GIC on the harmonization of the necessary project documents.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Fundraising from for projects to create the conditions for employment and income growth in the Aral Sea region, through the creation of fish farms on local waters	MFERIT, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Agriculture, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan	International financial organizations and institutions, donor countries	Constantly

Rationale:

Currently, in the delta of the Amudarya and waters of the Aral Sea are created and developed local reservoirs and artificial ponds.

There is a good opportunity to establish and develop in local reservoirs of fish farms that will be an impetus to the creation of conditions for employment and income growth in the Aral Sea. IFAS Executive Committee may raise additional funds for the implementation of these objectives.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	period
Fundraising from donor organizations and international financial institutions for the implementation of projects to ensure the population of the Aral Sea region with clean drinking water and access to adequate sanitation	MFERIT, Uzkommunkhizmat, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan and Khorezm, Bukhara and Navoi regions	IFIs, international organizations and donor countries	2014-2016y.

Rationale:

Currently, IFAS Executive Committee together with the Agency "Uzkommunkhizmat" work on the development of project proposals aimed at providing with clean drinking water people living in remote rural areas of the Republic of Karakalpakstan.

There is an opportunity to attract through the IFAS Executive Committee additional funds of donor organizations to address these issues.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Assist to attract funding from donors for the implementation of the grant project to strengthen the material-technical base of medical institutions located in rural areas of the Aral Sea area	MFERIT, Ministry of Health, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, Khorezm region's state administration (khokimiyat)	WHO, IFIs, international organizations and donor countries	2014-2015y.

Rationale:

Currently, IFAS Executive Committee together with the Ministry of Health developed a project proposals to strengthen the material-technical base of medical institutions in rural area adjacent to Aral. IFAS Executive Committee plans to submit the project proposal to the donors.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Зарубежные партнеры	Сроки выполнения
Facilitate the implementation of measures to expand protected areas in the Aral Sea area, to preserve unique ecosystems of plateau Ustyurt in order to create conditions of habitat of the migratory sayga.	SCNP, Ecomovement, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan	World Wildlife Fund, UNDP, UNEP, international organizations and donor countries	From the III-quarter of 2014y. to 2016y.

Rationale:

Currently there is a very difficult situation with the saiga population, which is on the verge of extinction. In order to provide conditions for further breeding and habitat of the saiga, the SCNP of Uzbekistan has developed a project proposal on establishment a protected natural area "Saiga" in the northern part of the Ustyurt plateau adjacent to the border of Kazakhstan with total area of 735.2 hectares and conservation zone of 345 6 hectares.

Preliminary project amount is \$ 2 million. Implementation period of project is 2014-2016years.

The Executive Committee of IFAS plans to assist in finding funds of donor organizations for SCNP for the project implementation.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Providing extensive lightening of "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of the drying of the Aral Sea and prevent the disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea" degrees and of information and publishing activities on problems of the Aral Sea Basin	NTRC of Uzbekistan, Uzbek Agency for Press and Information, State communication, information and telecommunication technologies, MFA	Swiss Cooperation Office, GIC, etc.	constantly

Rationale:

In accordance with paragraph 8 of the Standing order the Executive Committee of IFAS is entrusted with the implementation of information-analytical support of IFAS States on its activities, as well as management of information and publishing activity.

For the purpose of informing the local and international community "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying of the Aral Sea and prevent disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea" the IFAS Executive Committee plans to organize a variety of print publications (books, pamphlets, booklets, posters, etc.), educational videos and films on the Aral sea , activities of IFAS and its Executive Committee.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Implementation of measures for combating desertification in the Aral Sea under the framework of the UN Decade for Deserts and the Fight against Desertification (2010-2020 y.)	Ministry of Agriculture, Uzhydromet, SCNP, the Ministry of Economy, MFA, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, khokimiyats(local authorities) of Khorezm, Bukhara and Navoi regions	UNDP, UNEP, the International Fund for Agricultural Development	June of 2014y., II quarter of 2015y.

Rationale:

UN General Assembly proclaimed the 2010-2020y. as "Decade for Deserts and Combating Desertification." Uzbekistan is a party to the UN Convention on Combating Desertification. In this regard, under the Decade is offered jointly with UNDP, UNEP and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Undertaking events on the prevention of erosion processes on the dried bottom of the Aral Sea and desertification in the Aral Sea.

Joint activities with the active participation of the Executive Committee of IFAS will attract donor funds for projects on forest plantation and afforestation in the Aral Sea.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Organization of joint activities with the Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy in Central Asia (UNRCCA) on the implementation of international water law	MFA, Ministry of Agriculture, SCNP	UNRCCA	2014-2016y.

Rationale:

In the letter of UN Secretary general Ban Ki-moon to the leadership of the Republic regarding the "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of the drying of the Aral Sea and prevent the disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea" (16 August 2013), he has offered the Uzbek side to cooperate with UNRCCA in implementing key provisions of this Program.

UNRCCA shows readiness to organize, together with the Executive Committee of IFAS the activities regarding introduction of international water law in the countries of Central Asia. In particular, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan received a note from UNRCCA proposing to organize meetings of senior officials of relevant agencies of the Central Asian countries due to discuss issues of transboundary water cooperation on the basis of international law (March 6-7, 2014., G.Vena, Austria).

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Development and adoption of the document on procedural matters of IFAS activities and its regional agencies	MFA, Ministry of Agriculture, STNP	IFAS States, UNECE, UNRCCA	march of 2014 y. - may of 2015y.

Rationale:

In the bylaws of IFAS there are no rules governing the procedural issues of IFAS and its regional bodies. This fact complicates the functioning of the Executive Committee of IFAS, its interaction with other bodies, as well as the authorized organizations of the IFAS States. In particular, hadn't set yet the order, times and forms of IFAS coordination among the founders negatively affects the efficiency and effectiveness of the Board. For example, no document regulating procedural issues allowed the Kyrgyz side unreasonably to delay the process of harmonization with the transition to Uzbekistan the presidency in IFAS. Until now, Turkmenistan and Kyrgyzstan have not submitted their members of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee.

Development and adoption of the Rules of Procedures will raise the IFAS's activities and its regional bodies, including Executive Committee, at a better level and can become a concrete result of Uzbekistan's presidency in the Fund.

UNECE expressed its willingness to provide financial support for the development of such an instrument.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Enhancing the coordinating role of the Executive Committee IFAS in implementing programs and projects consistent with the goals and objectives of the IFAS	MFA, MFERIT and other concerned ministries and agencies	IFAS States, GIZ	2014-2016y.

Rationale:

In the activities of the former Executive Committee of IFAS in Turkmenistan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan were cases of proper monitoring lack and coordination of the project implementation, which often led to duplication of the efforts of international donors and the irrational use of allocated funds.

During the presidency of Uzbekistan in IFAS it's invited to take concrete steps to strengthen the coordinating role of the Board, in particular through the development of relevant documents regulating these issues.

The successful conduct of this work will improve the efficiency of Executive Committee of IFAS and ongoing programs and projects.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Preparation of proposals for improving the activity of IFAS in order to organize it's activities more effectively to attract the world's attention to the problems of the Aral Sea disaster	MFA, Ministry of Agriculture, SCNP, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economy, Uzhydromet	IFAS States, UNECE, GIZ, the Swiss Cooperation Office	II-IV quarters of the 2014y.

Rationale:

In accordance with paragraph 2 of the Joint Declaration of the Heads of the IFAS of the 28 of April 2009 year in Almaty, "The parties expressed their willingness for further improvement of the organizational structure and legal base of IFAS to improve its efficiency and more intensive interaction with financial institutions and donors for the implementation of the projects and programs , related with the solution of the Aral sea problems . "

Development and implementation of specific proposals in this direction during the presidency of Uzbekistan in IFAS will enhance the image of the country and will serve as a confirmation of a successful presidency.

It is assumed that Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan will continue to advocate for the implementation of measures aimed at improving the legal and institutional framework for the activities of IFAS.

Representation in IFAS will allow the uzbek side to initiate and promote the relevant proposals in this area, taking into account it's own interests.

The Action Plan includes:

Action	National partners	Foreign partners	Period
Preparation of materials and conducting of the Board of IFAS meetings	MFA, Ministry of Finance and other concerned ministries and agencies	IFAS States, international organizations and donor countries	In the period of 2014-2016 y. at least once a year

Rationale:

In accordance with paragraph 5.1 of the standing order of IFAS, the Fund's Board meets at least 2 times during the year.

During the presidency of Tajikistan the Fund's Board meetings were conducted twice a year; for the entire period of Kazakhstan's chairmanship - 2 times.

At meetings of the Board are considered priority issues related to current and future activities of IFAS. Currently, there are a number of issues needed to be considered at the next meeting of the Board of the Fund, in particular:

- Review and implementation of the "Program of measures to eliminate the consequences of drying up of the Aral Sea and prevent the disaster of ecosystems in the Aral Sea";*
- Implementation of the ASBP-3;*
- Increased interaction with international and donor organizations for the implementation of projects and programs;*
- Development and adoption of the document on procedural matters of IFAS activities and its regional bodies;*
- Organization of international conferences and events under the Fund and other.*

Thank you for your attention