

WOMEN'S VOICES IN WATER GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT: THE LAKE CHAD CASE

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METHODOLOGY

- ▶ Two sections:
 - Literature review
 - specific methodology (i.e online).
 - related problems.
 - Interviews to key experts on the field:

WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION AND GENDER MAINSTREAMING: THE THEORY.

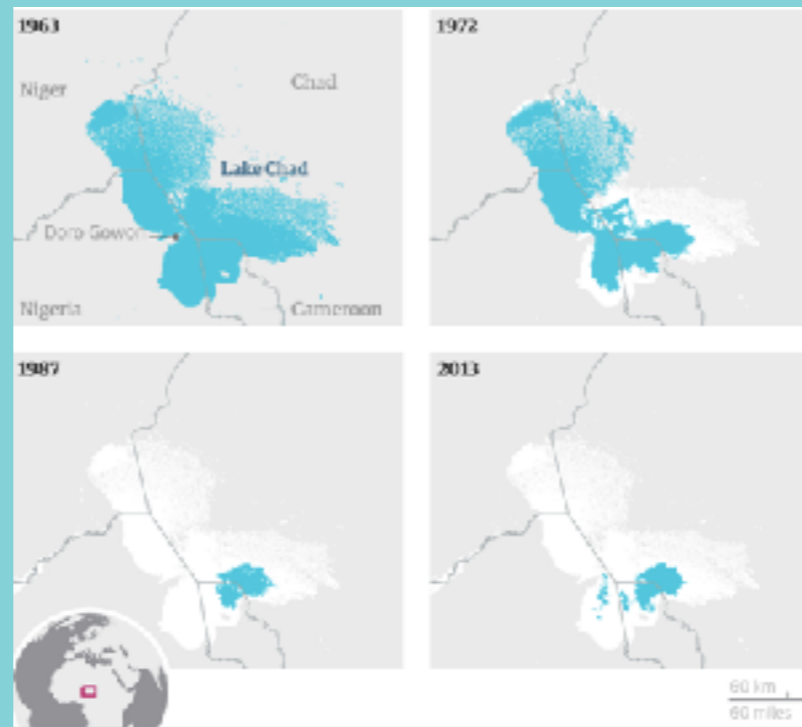
- ▶ Recognition of women's role in development starting from the 70s.
- ▶ International agreements and treaties on women's inclusion:
 - Dublin Principles (1992)
 - Millennium Development Goals (2000)
 - World Summit on Sustainable Development (2002)
 - 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2015)
- ▶ Organisations' strategies and policies (i.e Nile Basin Commission).
- ▶ Two problems: political willingness to gender reforms and instrumental approach to gender inclusion.

WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION AND GENDER MAINSTREAMING: THE PRACTICE.

- ▶ However...
- ▶ The causes of exclusion: no land and natural resources rights, social and political norms, GBV, lack of education.
- ▶ Participation of women in decision-making processes:
 - Which women?
 - Is it enough?
- ▶ Gender mainstreaming:
 - Some strategies: co-production and involvement of women's cooperatives.
- ▶ Why is it important?

THE LAKE CHAD: CRISIS AND WOMEN.

- ▶ The Lake Chad: an introduction.



- ▶ The crisis: an environmental, social and political matter
- ▶ Women's lives and roles in the Lake Chad area.

THE LAKE CHAD BASIN COMMISSION

- ▶ The Lake Chad Basin Commission: an introduction.
- ▶ 2012 Water Charter.
 - Some improvements?: PRESIBALT and BIOPALT.
- ▶ Lack of women's participation in LCBC and lack of gender mainstreaming policies.

CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ How women should be included in water-related problems?
- ▶ Outcomes and consequences of lack of women's inclusion in development projects (i.e Lake Chad Basin Commission).
- ▶ Gender mainstreaming is a first step to gender revolution?

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