



Improving Water Governance at the River Basin Level



Official Seminar during the World Water Week 2010

Date: 2010-09-09 **Time:** 14:00 - 17:30 **Room:** T6

Convenors: Cap-Net, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Nile Basin Capacity Building in IWRM (Nile IWRM-net), Latin America Capacity Building Network (LA-WETnet), AguaJaring, WaterNet, International Network of Basin Organizations (INBO), African Network of Basin Organisations (ANBO), International Office for Water (OIEAU) and Ecologic Institute

Event description

Objective: to examine and measure factors for effective Water Governance by River Basin Organisations

The catchment or basin level is fundamental for water resources management and River Basin Organisations (RBO's) have an important role to play in advancing the IWRM approach. But what water management functions are RBO's currently implementing? How can they be more effective? How can their performance with regards to effective water governance be measured? How are their operations and activities financed?

This seminar aims at :

- Exploring key water governance issues at the river basin level. It will discuss success factors and bottlenecks drawing from experiences for several developing countries. Special attention will be given to the enabling environment for RBO's and how to build institutional capacity including legislative, financing, institutional arrangements, water quality and other regulatory aspects.
- Explore the issue of performance measurement, showcasing the results and insights from the Key Performance Indicators (KPI) project and from Cap-Net tested in African basins

Outputs: The main outputs will be a) an improved understanding of the enabling environment necessary to facilitate effective water governance at the river basin scale and b) insights into the potential application of performance monitoring systems at the RBO level.

Programme

Chair: *Dr. Paul Taylor*, UNDP Cap-Net, South Africa

14:00 Welcome and Introduction. *Dr Paul Taylor*, UNDP Cap-Net, Pretoria, South Africa

14:15 Key Performance Indicators stakes and outputs; *Yannick Pochon*, IOWater / INBO

14:35 Perception of Performance Indicators by RBOs; *Tamsir N'Diaye*, ANBO (African Network of Basin Organisations)

15:00 Discussion. Facilitator *Yannick Pochon*, International Office for Water, France

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00 Financing of river basin organizations - a case from Jasa Tirta I, Indonesia, *T.W. Subijanto*, President Director.

16:15 Financing of river basin organizations - a case from ACUMAR, Argentina, *Silvia Rafaelli*.

16:30 Financing of river basin organizations - a case from Breede Overberg CMA, South Africa, *Guy Pegram*.

16:45 Discussion. Facilitator. *Alan Hall*, Chair EU-FWG, England

17:25 Wrap up. *Yannick Pochon*, International Office for Water, France, *Dr Paul Taylor*, UNDP Cap-Net.

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