

## The 5<sup>th</sup> GEOSS Asia-Pacific Symposium UNESCO Water Activities in Asia

- Bridging Between Scientists and Practitioners -

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## Water dependencies:

## Systems under stress and Societal responses

Theme 1	Global Change, watersheds and Aquiters
Theme 2	Governance and Socio-economics
Theme 3	<b>Ecohydrology and Environmental Sustainability</b>
Theme 4	Water Quality, Human Health and Food Security

THEME 5 Water Education for Sustainable Development



#### IHP-VII (2008-2013)

#### Water Dependencies: Systems under Stress and Societal Responses

Cross - cutting Programmes HELP / FRIEND

Hydrological Research

THEME I: Adapting to the impacts of global changes on river basins and aquifer systems THEME II: **Strengthening Water** Governance for Sustainability THEME III: **Ecohydrology for** Sustainability = THEME IV: Nater and Life Support Systems THEME V: Water Education for Sustainable Development

**IHP VI Initiatives** 

PC - CP

ISI

IFI

**ICHARM** 

**G-WADI** 

IAHS - PUB

IHP - VII New Initiatives: UWMP Others

Water Resources
Management

Education,

Transfer of knowledge, Capacity building



**STRESS** 

Planetary systems are strongly interdependent. Water in the hydrological cycle acts as the essential 'bloodstream' for all terrestrial and coastal ecosystems, determining their dynamics and functioning and interrelates with economic and social cycles.

**ECOLOGY ECONOMY** HYDROLOGICAL CYCLE **QUALITY OF LIFE** & ECOSYSTEM **CLIMATE VARIABILITY SERVICES** SOCIETAL **RESPONSES** 

**INTERDEPENDENCIES** 

## IHP Activities in Asia

- Hydrology for the Environment, Life and Policy (HELP)
- International Sediment Initiative (ISI)
- International Flood Initiative (IFI)
- Assessment of Flood Forecasting and Warning System for Humid Tropic Regions
- Flood Forecasting and Warning System Assessment (SEAP)
- Flow Regimes from International Experimental and Network Data (FRIEND)
- Global Network on Water and Development Information in Arid Lands (G-WADI)
- International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM)
- Asia-Pacific Center for Echohydrology (APCE)

## Background

### Integrated Water Resource Management

IWRM is defines by the Global Water Partnership (GWP) as 'a process which promotes the coordinated development and the management of water, land and related resources, in order to maximize the resultant economic and social welfare in an equitable manner without compromising the sustainability of vital ecosystems'

## Background

### Planning and Implementation of IWRM

Basic concept in Dublin 1992 The target to 'develop integrated water resources management (IWRM) and water efficiency plans by 2005, through actions at all levels' was agreed through the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI) with support to developing countries.

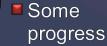
Progress in 2008 toward 'IWRM Target' (IWRM planning)

25%

50%

25%





<sup>■</sup> Limited or No

## IWRM implementation in Basin, Sub-basins and Aquifers

## State of the art review IHP-VI

1. Guidelines for development of institutions for IWRM implementation at BSA level should be developed.

Institutional arrangement to facilitate IWRM approach at BSA level are missing.

- 2. Tools for IWRM should be documented with respect to the existing and emerging capacity for BSA, in particular for carrying out multi-disciplinary process in IWRM
- 3. Broader recognition that the 'Integrated' approach is feasible and beneficial should be strengthened.

Preparing guidelines for operational implementation of IWRM, and a series of examples to illustrate the implementation of IWRM at basin level are recommended.

4. Case histories should be adequately documented, collected and disseminated.



Follow up of the review

## Target of the Initiative

### **Global Awareness**

- The Guidelines (Part 1: Principles)
- Stockholm World Water Week
- World Water Forum

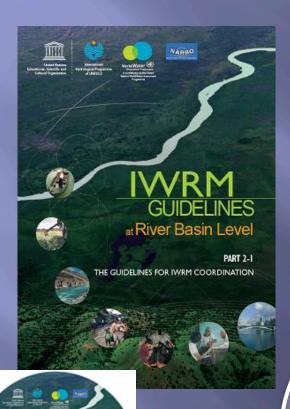
## **Tools for Implementation of IWRM**

- The Guidelines
   (Part 2: Implementation)
- Capacity Development activities of IWRM at River Basin Level

## **Steering Committee Member**

Name	Organization
Eugene Z. Stakhiv (Co-chair)	International Center for Integrated Water Resources Management (ICIWaRM), USA
Yasuro Nakajo (Co-chair)	Japan Water Agency
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## **Production of the Guidelines**



Modality

Inclusive Partnership

Practitioners, Int. Org, Governments, Donors etc.

**Knowledge integration** 

Collected and disseminated comprehensive sources

Interaction with users

Early
interaction
with guidelines
users for
practical value

### Structure of the IWRM Guidelines

#### Part 1 Principles

#### Target Group

- Decision Maker
- Policy Planner
- Government Official
- River Basin Organization

Launched at 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum

Part1 Principles

#### Part 2 Implementation

#### Target Group

- Government Official
- NGO
- River Basin Organization
- Other Stakeholder

Part2-1 IWRM Coordination

Part2-2 Flood Management

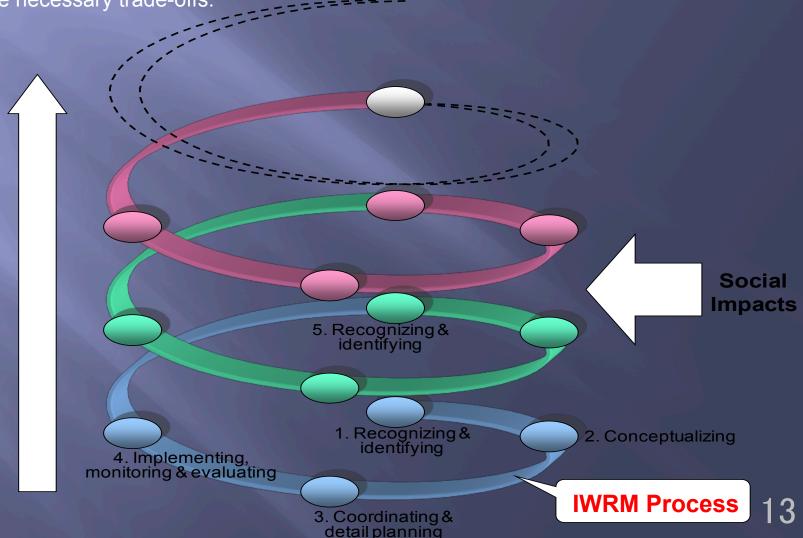
Part2-3 Invitation for Irrigation practitioners

Part2-4 Managing Environmental Sustainability

Message on Adaptation to Climate Change

## "Spiral" Model of IWRM

The IWRM process at the river basin level is illustrated by a "spiral". New solutions are added at each stage, responding to evolving needs and social, economic and environmental circumstances, through facilitating agreements among basin stakeholders on the necessary trade-offs.



## **Key for Success**

can be used in practice to help IWRM succeed at basin level -

Sample 'Key for Success'

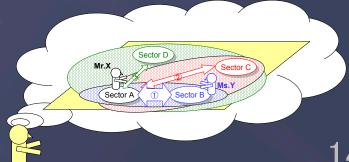


It is advisable to start considering mechanisms and courses of action for stakeholder participation during the conceptualization phase.

- The mechanisms and courses of action for progressively involving various stakeholders in the basin need to be thoroughly considered, otherwise the later process of consensus building could involve many revisions making it time-consuming. Moreover, the agreement reached may become
- inMechanisms.for iparticipation maye overtur>>dGood Examples: Davao River, Tama River include setting up a committee, public hearings, and workshops. Appropriate forms of participation should be chosen based on local conditions and the relationships among the stakeholders.
  - Planning here does not only mean preparing plans for water-related projects, but also includes planning for the establishment of a coordinating organization like a river basin organization. ••

>> Useful tools: Grasping the Positioning of Stakeholders and their Mutual Relationships

#### Example of an useful materials — Chart of stakeholders

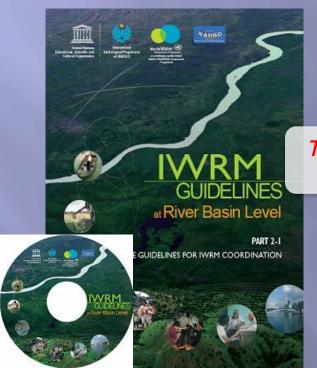


#### Launching of IWRM Guidelines at River Basin Level

#### 5th World Water Forum on March 16th, 2009 in Istanbul



Mr. Eugene Z. Stakhiv, Technical Director of ICIWaRM





The Guidelines were handed over to HIH the Crown Prince of Japan from Mr. Matsuura, Director General of UNESCO



## **Activities in Asia**

## Workshops Total 200 peoples

- ✓ Water Allocation and Water Rights; 5 times
- ✓ Sustainable Management for Water Resources Infrastructures; 4 times
- ✓ Water-Related Disaster and Its Management; 2 times

IWRM Trainings; Six times Around 100 peoples Seminars Around 100 peoples



Korean version of the Guidelines was produced by Korean partner

## Activities in Latin America

#### **Launching of Spanish version**

 Spanish version of IWRM Guidelines at River Basin Level are produced in cooperation with Inter-American Development Bank, ICIWaRM and UNESCO Montevideo Office.

#### Regional Workshop in 2012-2013

 Regional Workshop on IWRM Implementation is expected to be organized in 2012 or 2013

 ■ UNESCO and the Group on Earth Observations (GEO) co-organized "The Workshop on Earth Observations and Capacity Development for Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) at River Basins in Africa" from 12 to 16 January 2012 at the UN Office facilities at Nairobi, Kenya.

- Based on the recognition that data availability and capacity development are two essential wheels of IWRM implementation in Africa, the workshop has provided precious occasion of exchange of knowledge, experience as well as training of experts.
- All major River Basin Organizations (RBO) in Africa were invited and more than seventy experts from RBO, space agencies, governments, donors, UN entities and other stakeholders actively participated.

- Participants shared the various water resource management needs and capacities among several river basin authorities and initiatives, space agencies, and overseas development agencies (ODAs), and how GEOSS can serve as a framework for delivering observations, services, data integration and capacity building in support of informed decision-making to respond to these needs.
- The contribution of GEO to the Green Economy, which is a main theme of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) in June 2012 was also highlighted.

Capacity Development session allowed participants to share their experiences or good example of IWRM and discuss the keys for success in implementing IWRM. Interregional cooperation between Africa and Asia was enhanced through the contribution of NARBO.







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## Thank you for your attention

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