

**Terms of Reference for the
Permanent Programmes Sub-committee
of the Steering Committee of the Global Water Partnership**

*(adopted by the Steering Committee on 26-28 November 2007 in Manila,
as amended per November 2009)*

The permanent Programmes Sub-committee shall consist of the Technical Committee Chair, the Chair of Regional Chairs and preferably four other members of the Steering Committee, who unless otherwise decided are appointed for a period corresponding to their respective term in the SC. It is desirable that the appointments are staggered to ensure continuity in the work of the sub-committee. The SC annually appoints one of the members to act as chair of the sub-committee. A representative of the GWP Secretariat, appointed by the Executive Secretary, shall support the sub-committee and attend its meetings but shall not have a vote. She or he shall also be the Secretary of the sub-committee.

The purpose of the permanent Programme Sub-committee is to assist the Steering Committee in fulfilling its role in reviewing the execution of on-going work programmes and/or the development of the new work programmes.

Quorum at meetings of the Programmes Subcommittee requires that one subcommittee member plus the chair of the subcommittee are present.

The functions of the permanent Programmes Sub-committee are:

- to review proposals for new Programmes, including the annual work programme of the GWP, in relation to over-all GWP policies and long term strategies;
- to submit its review findings to the SC in connection with the presentation of such Programmes and work-plans to the SC by the Executive Secretary;
- to prepare recommendations to the SC on policy issues that may arise from such reviews;
- to identify other programme issues that should be brought to the attention of the SC and the GWPO management;
- to make recommendations to the Chair of the SC as part of the ES performance evaluation with a focus on programme issues; and
- undertake other reviews/activities on behalf of the SC as assigned to it by the SC.