

What Are We Doing at Istanbul?

Global Water Partnership at the 5th World Water Forum 16-22 March 2009

Side Events Launch Two Significant Resources

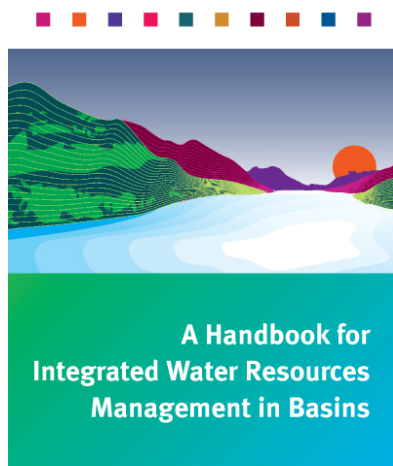
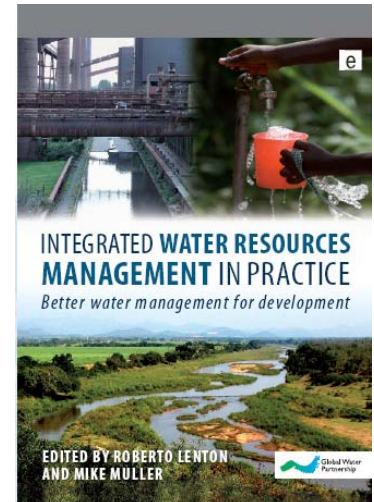
IWRM in Practice: Better Water Management for Development
MARCH 17 AT 19:30 IN SUTLUCE/KAGITHANE AMPHITHEATRE (AMPHI 3).

We are expecting the presence of
HRH The Prince of Orange Willem-Alexander, GWP Patron.

This publication is timely for those concerned with the management of water resources for sustainable development and the reduction of poverty. It emphasizes that pragmatic, incremental approaches, which take into account contextual realities, have the greatest chance of working in practice. This book tells the stories of people and institutions around the world who have found ways to improve water management in a variety of settings.

"This book is a must read for students, scholars, and practitioners of sustainable development..."

Jeffrey Sachs, Director of The Earth Institute at Columbia University and Special Advisor to the UN Secretary-General



A Handbook for Integrated Water Resources Management in Basins

MARCH 20 AT 19:00 IN SUTLUCE/KAGITHANE AMPHITHEATRE (AMPHI 3).

There is a dynamic relationship between basin stakeholders and central governments who have to work together to ensure the meeting of sustainable development goals. To support this, GWP and the International Network of Basin Organizations (INBO) produced this Handbook for improving the governance of freshwater resources. Written primarily for basin managers and government officials who need to take decisions related to water management, the content can be applied regardless of the context (developed or developing countries, humid or arid conditions). If you want a user-friendly guide with practical examples pick up your copy at our booth.

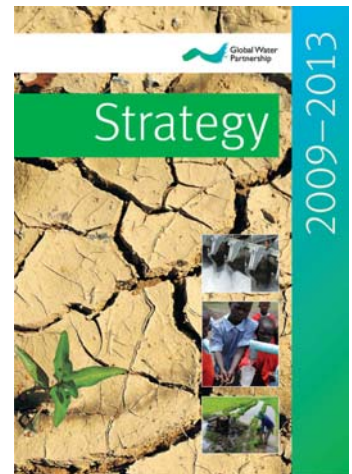
More Resources...

The 2009–2013 GWP Strategy: Move Water to the Top of the Development Agenda

The GWP Strategy 2009–2013 is the result of a full year of consultations throughout the GWP network. The strategy was developed during an unprecedented period of economic volatility that increases uncertainty and threatens development. The urgency for action is growing as the world faces new challenges. Our strategy provides a framework for action.

"This strategy...makes the organisation fit for the future and guarantees the continuation of the important role that the GWP is playing..."

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How to Manage the World's Water Resources—a double CD pack containing all GWP Technical Committee Papers and the new version of the GWP ToolBox website

Good water management promotes economic and social progress. Poor water management hinders development. GWP believes an integrated approach to managing water resources is the best way to pursue the vision of a water secure world. These CDs contain what you need—whether you are a policy-maker, decision-maker, water professional, or academic—to understand water challenges, and implement solutions.

PLEASE PICK UP THESE RESOURCES AT OUR BOOTH (200) IN THE GOLDEN HORN, FOYER 2.

GWP also announces...



Its new Executive Secretary, Dr. Ania Grobicki

Dr. Ania Grobicki comes to GWP after an extensive career in private, UN, and NGO agencies. She has worked on development issues and is familiar with water-related concerns affecting industry, energy, agriculture, health and the environment. She starts her new position on March 11.

"With communities, societies and nations under pressure from the economic downturn and from the effects of increasing climate variability, I believe passionately that GWP's key task is to keep the focus on water security for all." – Dr. Grobicki.

GWP IN THE 5TH WORLD WATER FORUM SESSIONS

Tuesday 17th 8.30–13.00, SESSION 1.1.2

Adaptation to Climate Change: waiting for things to happen or trying to be prepared?

Session Convener: GWP and UNEP

Chair in Part I (8.30–10.30): **Dr. Letitia A. Obeng**, GWP Chair

Speaker in Part I: **Roberto Lenton**, Chair, GWP Technical Committee

Panelist in Part I: **Mr. Chowdhury**, GWP South Asia Steering Committee member

GWP Southeast Asia presents a paper on Disaster Management prepared under the coordination of Dr. Mohd Nor.

The overall climate change context is clear: if mitigation is about energy, adaptation is about land and water. Climate change impacts us directly through water, but also indirectly through human activities which depend on water. The Session will look for solutions to the process of moving from rhetoric ('why' and 'what') to practical guidelines for action ('how' and 'when') in planning adaptation to climate change, with a focus on impacts to and through land and water.

Tuesday 17th 8.30–13.00

Alan Hall (GWP) and Michael Rouse (International Water Association - IWA) are the coordinators of Topic 4.2 (Institutional arrangements and regulatory approaches for effective water management), including five sessions covering institutions and planning, regulation, management in federal countries, regulation for controlling risks, and improving openness and transparency.

SESSION 4.2.1

The big picture: how to make institutions and plans deliver progress?

Session Convener: GWP and IWA

Speaker in Part I: **Aly Kerdany**, GWP Network Officer, on IWRM and national development planning

Chair in Part II (11.00–13.00): **Martin Walshe**, GWP Deputy Executive Secretary

In Part II: **GWP Southeast Asia** presents a paper on River Basin Management, prepared under the coordination of Dr. Dao Trong Tu.

This session will give an overview of key governance and institutional issues, including how to mainstream water management in national development planning so it has a higher government priority. Institutional structures and planning systems at both national and local levels will be reviewed to identify the success factors in delivering better water services and more integrated and sustainable resource management.

Tuesday 17th 08.30–10.30

The Role of Women in Irrigated Agriculture: Experiences from Turkey and Sri Lanka

Panel includes **GWP Sri Lanka**

Venue/Room: Sutluce/Haskoy Hall

Tuesday 17th 14.30–19.00, SESSION 4.2.3

River basin management in federated countries: is this realistic?

Speaker in Part II: Suresh Prabhu, Chair of GWP South Asia, on Implementation of IWRM in Federated Countries □ India

In countries with federal systems of government there are multiple sovereignties over water and responsibilities are decentralised to different levels of authority. The session will look at how to use an integrated approach to coordinate and balance responsibilities across the different levels to clarify who is responsible for what. The legal frameworks that are needed to help overcome conflicting interests and to encourage public participation will be examined. The need to understand the practical experiences will be addressed, drawing on experiences adopted in federal countries.

Wednesday 18th 8.30–13.00

Africa Day: GWP is chief rapporteur. **Hama Arba Diallo**, Chair of GWP West Africa, presents the report.

Wednesday 18th 8.30h–12.00

Panel: Beyond Water Bribes – How to Build a Corruption-Resistant Water Sector

Venue: Room 1, Sutluce Carpark, Chaired by **Dr. Letitia A. Obeng**, GWP Chair

Wednesday 18th 09.30–13.00

Climate change, Water Resources Management, Governance and Capacity Building issues in Central Asia and Caucasus

Venue: Sutluce/Kasimpasa 1-2, Side Event co-hosted by GWP Central Asia and Caucasus and Finland Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Thursday 19th 8.30–10.30

Session 4.2.6 – Wrap up and conclusions for Topic 4.2

Chair: **Dr. Ania Grobicki**, GWP Executive Secretary, Panelist: **Suresh Prabhu**, Chair of GWP South Asia

Thursday 19th 8.30–13.00

GWP MED is co-organising the Mediterranean Session.

Thursday 19th 16.00–17.00

Panelist: **Dr. Mercy Dikito-Wachtmeister**, GWP Network Officer, on "Strategic and thematic partnerships for water integrity and reduction of corruption" at the WIN Side Event "Beyond the Global Corruption Report 2008: Promoting Water Integrity through Partnerships" (14 to 18hrs) at the Swiss Platform in the Expo Hall.

Friday 20th 8.30–13.00

Asia Pacific Day: GWP South Asia submitted a Perspective document and contributed to the thematic and Ministerial process. GWP Bangladesh has a role in (1) Transboundary Water and River Basin Management and (2) Climate Change. GWP Pakistan has a side event on showcasing partnerships at different levels in Pakistan and in the South Asia Region, and is fielding a delegation of three children to attend the 3rd Children's World Water Forum and present a case study of Gujjar Khan, Rawalpindi. **GWP China** participates in the Forum with four delegates together with the Chinese Ministry for Water.

Friday 20th 14.30–19.00, SESSION 3.2.2

Meeting human and environmental needs through Integrated Water Resources

Management: A Step Ahead: Improving water management by anticipating change?

Session Convener: GWP, GEF (Global Environment Facility), CONAGUA (Mexico National Water Commission)

Chair in Part II: **Roberto Lenton**

With increasing competition over limited water resources, governments have begun to accept the concept of integrated resource management as a fundamental approach to resource allocation issues, steering away from sectoral approaches. A sustainable management policy requires socio-economic, technical and institutional issues to be considered together and not separately, and at different scales—this can prove challenging as the energy, agriculture and urban sectors compete against each other for water resources.

Saturday 21st 8.30–10.30, TOPIC 2.4

Multiple Use and Functions of Water Services: Wrap up Session

Panelist: **Martin Walshe**, GWP Deputy Executive Secretary

Saturday 21st 11.00–13.00

Corruption and water related disasters in Sri Lanka

Panel includes **GWP Sri Lanka**, Venue: Sutluce/Kasimpasa 1 Hall

Saturday 21st 19.00–21.00

UN Water Courses Convention

Venue: Feshane F5

Panelist: Dr. **Letitia A. Obeng**, GWP Chair

GWP-Bangladesh co-hosts a side event on "Impacts of Climate Change on water related disasters in South Asia."
