Training Course:  
Water Integrity for MENA Region  
Promoting Integrated Water Resources Management in the Arab Region  
3rd Arab Water Week, Dead Sea, Jordan, 14-15 January 2014

INTRODUCTION

Promoting water integrity and fighting corruption in the water sector has the potential to create dramatic and lasting improvement for human dignity, health and equitable access to water. Additionally, it helps create a fertile ground for socio-economic development and investments in water.

Starting in 2014, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Water Governance Facility at the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) is implementing a regional Water Integrity Capacity Building Programme in the Middle East and North Africa (WI MENA) in collaboration with regional and local partners. During 2014 the programme conducted water integrity risk assessments and mapped the capacity needs of the main stakeholders in water resources management in five pilot countries, namely Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, and Tunisia. Existing training material on water integrity has been adapted to fit the needs as identified, and a pool of water integrity trainers have been created to deliver the water integrity trainings on the ground.

This training, to be held in connection with the 3rd Arab Water Week (11-13 January 2015), marks the start of the training workshops, specifically tailored for the Middle East and North Africa region. For this purpose the UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI is cooperating with AWARENET, the Arab Integrated Water Resources Management Network, the Cap-Net UNDP affiliated regional network on capacity development in sustainable water management for the Arab region hosted by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA), the International Union for Conservation of Nature - Regional Office for West Asia (IUCN-ROWA), and the Arab Countries Water Utilities Association (ACWUA).

OBJECTIVE

The overall objective of the regional Water Integrity Training is to develop capacities of various water sector stakeholders for water integrity in the MENA region, thereby improving transparency and accountability practices in water resources management. This training in particular aims at reaching out the wider MENA region, beyond the five pilot countries and the specific target groups of the WI MENA programme.

PARTICIPANTS

This course is open to participants of the 3rd Arab Water Week, water managers, government officials, researchers and representatives from universities, water utilities and non-governmental organizations involved in water management in Arab countries as well as others who may not be able to attend the 3rd Arab Water Week who wish to deepen their knowledge of water integrity promotion in the MENA region. Preference is given to members of AWARENET and its Working Group on Water Governance (WG-WG), esp. from countries other than the five pilot countries of the WI MENA programme for which separate national training courses will be offered.

Note: This training will be held independently from the 3rd Arab Water Week. To attend interested participants have to register separately.
FACILITATION

The training will be delivered by regional and international facilitators drawn from the networks of the partner organizations combining local and contextual knowledge with international best practises in the area of water integrity: Ms. Alice Jaraiseh and Ms. Maria Jacobson manage SIWI’s Water Integrity Capacity Building Programme in the MENA region, in cooperation with Water Integrity Trainers from the region Eng. Mufleh Abbadi, IUCN-ROWA, and Dr Jarrah Al-Zubi, ACWUA. The AWARENET Network Coordinator and a meeting assistant will join the meeting to assist on documentation and knowledge capture.

PRELIMINARY TRAINING COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: 14 January 2015

08:30 - 09:00  Registration
09:00 - 09:30  Knowing each other and brief about the objectives of the training workshop and agenda
09:30 - 10:00  Introduction about Water Integrity and main risks in MENA region
10:00 - 10:30  Links between Water Integrity and Water Governance
11:00 - 12:30  Water stakeholders analysis, group exercise on stakeholder analysis
12:30 - 13:00  Why do we need to identify water integrity risks?
14:00 - 16:30  Problem tree analysis tool use for integrity risks assessment and data collection, group work
16:30 - 17:00  How to reduce water integrity risks
17:00 – 17:30  Conclusion and evaluation of day one

Day 2: 15 January 2015

09:00 - 09:00  Reviewing day one
09:30 - 11:40  Developing solutions, proposal for reducing water integrity risks, group exercise
11:40 - 12:10  Building Trust and Trustworthiness between Public Officials and Civil Society
12:10 - 12:40  Change management exercise
12:40 - 13:00  Monitoring and evaluation
14:00 - 15:10  Working groups in developing SMART objective
15:10 - 15:40  Strengthening ethical competence, recognising when you face an integrity or ethical challenge
15:40 - 16:10  How to develop advocacy plan for the improvement of the water integrity?
16:10 - 16:45  Follow up action
16:45 - 17:30  Conclusion and wrap up, evaluation and certificates distribution

VENUE

The training course will be organized in connection to the 3rd Arab Water Week at the King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Center (KHBTCC), Dead Sea, Jordan.

LANGUAGE

The course language will be English.

CERTIFICATES

After successful completion and full attendance of the course registered participants will receive a Certificate of Successful Participation.
**COURSE FEES**

Participation in the training will be free of charge. However, participants will have to cover their own travel, accommodation and subsistence costs. Only for a limited number of participants some support for travel, accommodation and subsistence can be made available.

**APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION**

This training allows for 25 participants. To register, please fill and submit below form “Expression of Interest” by email to watergovernance@siwi.org and awarenet-escwa@un.org, with copy to training@arabwaterweek.com.

Selection will be based on criteria such as AWARENET / WG-WG membership, date of submission, motivation, possibilities to apply acquired knowledge in further activities at regional or national level, gender, and geographic diversity. Confirmed participants will be notified by SIWI / AWARENET.

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