

Virtual Course

Water Integrity and Transparency

Part I: Principles and Concepts



Integrity and anti-corruption are some of the least addressed areas in the governance of water resources and services. Water integrity is either neglected or not systematically factored into the formulation and implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM). Since integrity, accountability and anti-corruption are critical determinants of how water resources and services are governed and allocated, these principles need to be included in a systematic way in water policy reform and implementation.

This virtual course offers participants an introduction to the main principles and concepts for a water integrity framework, as an essential condition to improve access to water and sanitation and achieve the post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals.

September 14 – November 13, 2015

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Objective

Create awareness and strengthen the bases for change in water governance through increased knowledge on how to improve transparency and accountability practices.

Learning objectives

By the end of the course participants will:

- understand the main concepts and principles behind water integrity, transparency, and accountability; as well as the ways in which corruption may occur in the water sector, its drivers, and impacts;

- understand the need for effective changes and be familiar with tools that can be applied to achieve water integrity;
- be familiar with examples of good practices related to promoting integrity, accountability and combating corruption in the water sector.
- have access to useful up-to-date materials in support of specific subject areas for water integrity.

Participants

The course is open to a maximum of 40 participants representing various stakeholder groups from the entire water sector worldwide:

- stakeholders and professionals forming part of water management, civil society, river basin or international organizations; development programmes and members of UN organizations; and representatives of the private sector;
- decision makers, policy makers, and high-level professionals and managers active in governmental bodies;
- capacity developers active in the fields of water integrity, sustainable water management, Integrated Water Resources Management, Human Rights Based Approaches, representatives of the WASH Media Network, amongst others;

As this an introductory course, participants are not expected to have previous knowledge on water integrity.

Registration

There is no course fee, participants will be selected by the organizing committee considering gender, professional background, and geographic balance, as well as on their motivation and commitment to participate throughout the entire course.

Interested participants must complete the [online registration form](#) and submit the following documentation to virtualcampus@cap-net.org with subject "Water Integrity virtual course registration", **before Friday, August 28, 2015**.

1. **Required. A 1-page profile, describing:** educational and professional background; experience in water resources management, water capacity development, or decision making; participation in networks and/or alliances; any other relevant information related to the course subject.
2. **Required. A 1-page motivation and commitment letter:** explaining your interest in participating in the course; availability to dedicate at least 4 hours per week during the course duration and participate in the course activities; and your expectations in terms of how you will apply and share the acquired contents in your field of work and with your colleagues.
3. **Optional. A 1-page letter of institutional support** through which the institution where you work expresses interest in your participation in the course and explains why this will be an important training for you and the institution.

Language

The course language is English. This course will soon be available in other languages.

Contents and Course Structure

The course is structured in modules. Each module will run over 10 days (1.5 weeks), during which course participants must read basic contents and participate in suggested activities.

September 14-27	•Opening: Introduction to Cap-Net's Virtual Campus
Sept. 28-Oct. 7	•Module 1: Introduction to Water Integrity in a water governance framework
October 8-18	•Module 2: Corruption in the water sector and the need for change processes
October 19-28	•Module 3: Laws, institutions, and instruments
Oct. 29-Nov. 8	•Module 4: Transparency, accountability, and access to information
November 9-13	•Module 5: Water integrity, IWRM, and the post 2015 goals: the way forward
November 9-13	•Participants feedback and course closure

Course features

In all 5 modules, participants are expected to:

- Read basic contents
- Participate in online forum discussions
- Prepare an individual or group exercise
- Respond –by the end of the module- to a set of multiple choice questions
- Optional: Participate in a live session

Participants will also have access to other (optional) recommended readings, videos, and web links.

Participants expected dedication

Participants are expected to dedicate a minimum of 4 hours per week to the course. This is estimated on the basis of 1 hour per day (4 days a week), or two connections per week, each one of 2 hours. In total, this should add to 40 hours for the full course, in line with a 5-days face-to-face course.

This time dedication should be enough to review base contents and participate in all activities (forums, exercises, multiple choices). Participants who wish to read other suggested readings and related videos will require a bit more time.

Facilitators

Course contents will be facilitated by a team of specialists representing the Water Integrity Network (WIN); UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI, and Cap-Net UNDP. A course coordinator and the virtual campus technical support team will be present for the entire course.



Andrea van der Kerk, WIN

Associate consultant for the WIN Secretariat in Berlin. Andrea has worked in several water governance and integrity related projects in Latin-America, Africa and Asia. She has facilitated several workshops and trainings, is involved in research projects, and contributes to advocacy and communication initiatives in the water sector.



Françoise Nicole Ndoume, WIN

Regional Coordinator for francophone countries' programmes and Capacity Development at WIN in Berlin. Françoise has coordinated the implementation of the Capacity Building Partnership Programme on water integrity in West Africa and the implementation of the online courses on water integrity by the Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering (2IE). She is currently co-developing the training manual on promotion of integrity in the construction of large-scale water infrastructure based on the case study of the Ziga Dam in Burkina Faso as well as the adaptation of the Water Integrity Manual to the West African environment.



Jacopo Gamba, WIN

Coordinator for Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning at WIN, he is also in charge of partnerships, and acts as regional coordinator for Latin America. Before joining WIN, Jacopo worked extensively in promoting participation and oversight mechanisms in social programmes and public services, along with different organizations such as Transparency International and the United Nations. He delivered a number of trainings for NGOs on the use and adaptation of tools for assessing corruption risks and identifying mitigation strategies.



Alice Jaraiseh, UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI

Programme Manager. Alice's main responsibility is to assist in coordinating the full range of WGF's support component activities, as well as to provide support to develop the water governance knowledge base, including the coordination of WGF's communication and outreach programme.



Damian Indij, Cap-Net UNDP (Facilitator and Course Coordinator)

Cap-Net's Virtual Campus Coordinator and Manager of the Latin America Water Education & Training Network (LA-WETnet). Damian has facilitated water-related courses in Latin America, Africa, Asia, and Europe, and participated as team member for the development of various training manuals, including one on Water Integrity.

Water Integrity Network (WIN)www.waterintegritynetwork.net

The Water Integrity Network (WIN) is a network of organizations and individuals promoting water integrity to reduce corruption and improve water sector performance worldwide. WIN works to raise awareness on the impact of corruption -especially on the poor and disenfranchised- assesses integrity risk and promotes practical responses. The network's vision is a world with equitable and sustained access to water and a clean environment, which is no longer threatened by corruption, greed, dishonesty and wilful malpractice.

UNDP Water Governance Facilitywww.watergovernance.org

The UNDP Water Governance Facility (WGF) at the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) is an initiative that was launched by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Swedish Agency for International Development Cooperation (Sida). The programme is a mechanism to implement parts of the UNDP Water Governance Programme. The UNDP Water Governance Facility supports developing countries on a demand basis to strengthen water governance and reduce poverty through policy support and advisory services in multiple thematic areas, including: integrated water resources management, transboundary water, water supply and sanitation, climate change adaptation, South-South collaboration, experience and best practices exchange, gender, and capacity building.

Cap-Net UNDPwww.cap-net.org

Cap-Net is an international network for capacity development in sustainable water management. It is made up of a partnership of autonomous international, regional and national institutions and networks committed to capacity development in the water sector. At Global level Cap-Net works with 23 regional and country level capacity development networks with about 1.000 member organisations in 120 countries, and numerous international partners. Cap-Net UNDP delivers training and education to water professionals in Asia, Africa, Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean.

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