



International Water Resources Association



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ABOUT US

IWRA is a global knowledge network of water experts who are passionate about protecting the world's water resources. Established in 1971, it is a non-profit, non-governmental, educational organisation. IWRA acts as a global forum, bridging disciplines and geographies to connect professionals, students, institutions and corporations.

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MISSION & VISION

The goal of IWRA is to improve and expand the understanding of water resources through education, research and information exchange. This is based on the core belief that sustainability requires interdisciplinary and international cooperation.

IWRA seeks to continually improve water resource decision-making through advancing the collective understanding of physical, ecological, chemical, institutional, social and economic aspects.



Everyday life, Internal Delta, Niger, O. Barrière © IRD

MAJOR AREAS OF ACTION

Providing an international congress for water resource issues

Advancing water resource and related environmental research

Promoting water education by improving global access to data and information

Enhancing the quality of knowledge used in decision-making

Improving and expanding exchanges of information and expertise

Networking with other organisations to advance common interests

Recognizing contributions towards sound water management

LOCAL & REGIONAL CHAPTERS

IWRA actively promotes the exchange of knowledge on a global and regional scale. The importance of locally based knowledge and experience, is emphasized in the exchange of this information at international networking events as well as through Geographical Chapters.

These chapters further implement the mission of IWRA on a smaller scale to focus its activities and allow for regional networking among IWRA members.



■ Current chapters are located in China, India, Japan and Oceania
■ Proposed chapters in Latin America, France and Korea

WHAT WE DO

WORLD WATER FORUM PROCESS

To support the 8th World Water Forum in Brasilia during March 2018, the XVIth World Water Congress was a key milestone in its preparatory process, where a number of Forum focused sessions and events took place in Cancun. Furthermore, the IWRA is the topic lead for “Ensuring water quality from ridge to reef” and sits on the Thematic Coordination Group for “Capacity” and the Topic Coordination Group for “Climate science and water management: the communication between science and decision/policy making”.



WORLD WATER CONGRESS

IWRA organises and supports international events, its flagship being the World Water Congress, which has been held 16 times since 1973. These congresses occur in different countries around the world for the purpose of:

- *Sharing experiences*
- *Promoting discussions*
- *Presenting new knowledge, research & developments in the industry*

The World Water Congresses have identified and discussed emerging trends and global themes in the water agenda for over 4 decades.



The latest World Water Congress, held in Cancun, Mexico in 2017, contained the theme of “*Bridging Science and Policy*”.

PROJECTS & WORKING GROUPS

IWRA projects help address key water challenges and priorities in both developing and developed countries for the sustainable management of this resource. Current projects include: Smart Water Management, Water Quality and the Science & Policy Interface.

Both IWRA Task Forces and Thematic Working Groups provide guidance to these projects through their global networks of experts. Members are welcome to get more involved in our projects as well as working groups!

If you are interested in organising an event with IWRA, please contact the IWRA Executive Office:
office@iwra.org

SAVE THE DATE!



Korea landscape © Freepik

The next upcoming XVII World Water Congress will be held in the City of Daegu, Korea, in May 2020.

This major event will be co-organised between IWRA, KWRA, K-water, MOLIT and Daegu Metropolitan City, and it will focus on the overarching theme of “*Water and Sustainable Development*”.

The week-long event will include high level panels and parallel sessions presenting the latest research and projects, hosting professionals from water and non-water fields.

Save the date and come to Daegu to benefit from hundreds of speakers, posters, special events and many opportunities for networking!



AWARDS



IWRA recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of global water management through three major awards:

1. CRYSTAL DROP AWARD

Awarded at each World Water Congress to an individual or organisation for their significant contribution to the improvement of the world's water situation.

2. VEN TE CHOW MEMORIAL AWARD AND LECTURE

Honouring the first president of IWRA, the awardee is invited to give an outstanding lecture at the World Water Congress.

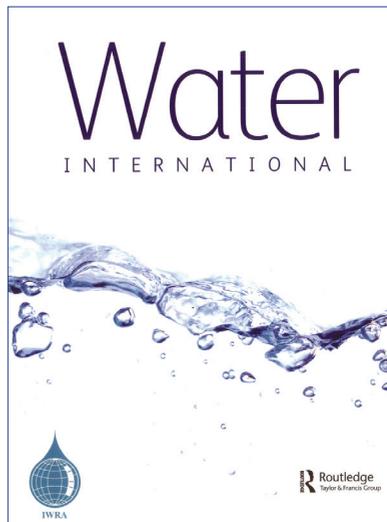
3. WATER INTERNATIONAL BEST PAPER AWARD

Awarded annually to authors published in *Water International*, based on originality, innovation, technical quality, and contribution to the field.

PUBLICATIONS

WATER INTERNATIONAL

Water International (WI) is the official interdisciplinary peer-reviewed journal of IWRA, focused on linking scholarship with water management, policy and governance. Eight issues are published annually by a major international publisher, Taylor & Francis, on behalf of IWRA. Of these, about half are thematic special issues. WI includes articles, technical notes, viewpoints, book reviews, conference highlights, and IWRA communications. As a leading source of information on international water resources research, WI content is based on rigorous scholarship for a broad, interdisciplinary audience.



BOOK SERIES

WI contributes to the Routledge Special Issues as Books (SPIBs) Series. This series is based on thematic special issues of WI, and acts to spread new knowledge in water resources policy and governance to a broad and diverse audience.

Recent titles in the series include:

- *The Water Legacies of Conventional Mining*
- *Transboundary Water Cooperation*
- *Hydrosocial Territories and Water Equity*

If you are interested in contributing to IWRA's publications or would like more information, please contact IWRA Editorial Office: editor@iwra.org

POLICY BRIEFS

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POLICY BRIEFING
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Sustainability in the Water-Energy-Food Nexus
Bridging Science and Policy Making

KEY POLICY MESSAGES

- OPERATIONALIZE:** The need for a nexus approach to managing water, food and energy is widely recognized as pressures mount on these highly interconnected resources in ways that are hard to anticipate. The problem is how to make that nexus operational in a world of disciplinary silos and siloed management of resources.
- GLOBALIZE:** The WEF nexus calls for holistic and integrated approaches that simultaneously maintain relevance to local stakeholders, investors, and scales.
- INTEGRATE:** To reduce our response time to challenges and facilitate the rapid implementation of research-driven policy, we must address the fragmentation between scientific and policy communities across disciplines and across organizations.
- ANALYZE:** Effective dialogue among stakeholders concerning the trade-offs and opportunity costs of resource allocation decisions requires the adoption of economic assessment and communication tools that quantify interconnections between resource systems.

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Taylor & Francis Group

POLICY BRIEFING / Sustainability in the Water-Energy-Food Nexus / www.iwra.org

Policy Briefs are concise publications, normally based on thematic special issues of WI. A synthesis of the critical facts and arguments, Policy Briefs allow interested readers to further explore important themes and topics from WI in greater depth. They provide high quality analysis and practical recommendations to aid policy-makers.

WEBINARS

Webinars are Internet seminars based on themes from special issues of WI. They facilitate in-depth reviews of a water issue as well as debates between leading experts in the field. The structure involves presentations and the involvement of a moderator directing discussions between expert panellists. While anyone is welcome to watch the live stream of these events, past webinar presentations and content is available on the [IWRA webpage](#) or [YouTube channel](#).

IWRA UPDATE NEWSLETTER

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XVI World Water Congress

SPECIAL NEWSLETTER ON THE XVI WORLD WATER CONGRESS

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www.worldwatercongress.com

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IWRA Update is the quarterly newsletter of the Association, providing the latest information pertaining to members. It contains news briefs about IWRA members, regional chapters' activities, information on upcoming and recent events, calls for papers and global water news.

17th
22 MARCH
WORLD WATER DAY

DID YOU KNOW THAT...
2/3 OF NATURAL WETLANDS
HAVE DISAPPEARED SINCE
1900?

MEMBERSHIP

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

IWRA has members who span a range of professions and academic disciplines, either as companies, institutions or individuals. Members are committed to professional development and networking to sustain our water resources.



JOIN THE COMMUNITY

Become a member as an individual, corporation or institution.

IWRA offers reduced membership fees for:

- *Full time students (free)*
- *Young Professionals (35 years of age or younger)*
- *Retirees*
- *Residents of developing countries*

Register online at
www.iwra.org

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

ACCESS TO PUBLICATIONS

- Water International: Online access to all current and archived issues of the IWRA flagship journal, with eight issues a year.
- Quarterly newsletters.
- Articles, posters and abstracts from all World Water Congresses.

GET INVOLVED & NETWORK

- Be included in the IWRA member directory and social networks.
- Information exchange through regional chapters and international programmes.
- Post member news through the IWRA website and newsletter at no charge.
- Run for election to the IWRA Board.
- Join IWRA Task Forces and Thematic Working Groups.

EVENTS

- Seminars organised by national and regional chapters.
- Stay informed on upcoming networking, conferences, and webinars.
- Special rates for all IWRA events, including World Water Congresses.

BECOME A MEMBER OR EXTEND YOUR MEMBERSHIP BOTH WITH A 20% DISCOUNT

Join the International Water Resources Association as new member for a one-year period and receive a 20% discount immediately! Simply, fill in your information on the section at the end of this page and hand it to a staff member of the IWRA Executive Office.

If you are already a member of the Association you can also extend your membership with a 20% discount of the membership fees for another year or up to 3 years! Please make sure to complete the form below and hand it to an IWRA staff member.

The table below provides pricing information to join IWRA and for current members to extend their membership to 1 or 3 years with this discount. All figures are in USD.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	DEVELOPED COUNTRY		DEVELOPING COUNTRY	
	1 Year	3 Years	1 Year	3 Years
Corporation	\$ 1200.00	\$ 3200.00	\$ 1200.00	\$ 3200.00
Institution	\$ 400.00	\$ 1068.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 1068.00
Individual: Regular	\$ 100.00	\$ 268.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 148.00
Individual: Retiree	\$ 52.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 80.00
Individual: Young Professional	\$ 45.50	\$ 140.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 80.00
Individual: Full-time Student	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

If you are interested in group membership, please contact the IWRA Executive Office for more details.

To take advantage of this deal and join the IWRA community for 1 or 3 years, please fill in the information below:

Title..... First name.....
Surname.....
Email.....
Position..... Organisation.....
Postal address.....
Postal Code..... City..... Country.....
Phone number..... Member ID (if current member).....

Membership category

- Corporation
- Institution
- Individual Regular
- Individual Retiree
- Individual Young Professional

Country Category

- Developed
- Developing

Payment Method

After completing this voucher, take it to a staff member of the IWRA Executive Office at the IWRA Stand. An invoice will then be sent to your email, which will allow you to pay online with debit or credit.