



International Water Resources Association



Welcome to the International Water Resources Association (IWRA), the gateway to advancing your knowledge on water policy and management across the globe. With a rich history spanning over five decades, IWRA has been at the forefront of promoting sustainable water practices, fostering collaboration, and providing a platform for academics, scientists, policymakers, experts, and water enthusiasts alike.

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WHAT WE DO

MISSION

We are committed to being a cross-disciplinary, membership-focused, international association that uses events, projects, publications, and research to facilitate and inspire dialogue, knowledge sharing, and science-based solutions for the sustainable management of water resources across all sectors, scales, and communities at the interface between science and policy.

VISION

Our vision is to be the leading global platform and community of researchers, educators, policy-influencers, and managers addressing local to global water-related challenges, and improving water outcomes for all.

VALUES

Our culture is driven by respect, transparency, collaboration, and equal opportunity. We foster and value international cross-cultural and cross disciplinary communication and working practices.

We are non-political and care most about the sustainable management of water resources to ensure that they are adequately available for present and future generations and for the environment.

CONNECTING THE WORLD THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

OUR EVENTS



ISLANDS WATER CONGRESS: NAVIGATING WATER CHALLENGES IN AN ISLAND CONTEXT

Introducing our ground-breaking initiative: IWRA's Islands Water Congress. This visionary platform is dedicated to addressing the unique water opportunities and challenges faced by islands, particularly those in Small Island Developing States (SIDS). The Islands Water Congress offers a forum for island-specific responses, policy discussions, and practical solutions within the context of freshwater management.

Visit www.islandswatercongress.com to learn more.

**ONLINE CONFERENCE:
A MODERN AVENUE FOR KNOWLEDGE SHARING**
Embracing the digital era, IWRA has ventured into the realm of online conferences, further expanding our reach and impact. Collaborating with esteemed partners like UNESCO and FAO, these conferences have delved into critical themes such as groundwater resilience, water-food-health dynamics, and emerging water pollutants. Visit www.iwraonlineconference.org to explore past events and stay informed about upcoming conferences.

**WORLD WATER CONGRESS:
A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE**
Since 1973, IWRA has been hosting the prestigious World Water Congress every two to three years, bringing together experts from around the world to share experiences, engage in thought-provoking discussions, and unveil cutting-edge research. Our congresses have become a melting pot of innovation and insights, enabling stakeholders to contribute to the advancement of water science and policy on a global scale. Visit www.iwra.org/aboutcongresses to learn more.

PUBLICATIONS, RESEARCH, AND ENGAGEMENT

WATER INTERNATIONAL:

Our official interdisciplinary journal, Water International, serves as a bridge between scholarship and water management, policy, and governance. It drives the conversation forward by disseminating ground-breaking research and insights.

POLICY BRIEFS:

Our concise and informative policy briefs offer analysis, recommendations, and solutions on crucial water-related topics, supporting policy-makers and stakeholders in making informed decisions.

IWRA UPDATE:

Stay informed with our quarterly newsletter, providing the latest updates on IWRA, member activities, and events.

BOOK SERIES:

Our collaboration with the Routledge Special Issues as Books (SPIBs) Series extends the reach of water resources policy and governance knowledge to diverse audiences.

CAPACITY BUILDING: EMPOWERING CHANGE MAKERS

At the heart of our efforts lies capacity building. Our Master Classes, skill-building workshops, and webinars led by renowned experts, empower individuals with the knowledge and tools to tackle pressing water challenges.

Visit www.iwra.org/capacity-building to learn more.

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS & WORKING GROUPS

Collaboration is at the core of what we do. Our projects delivered with key partner organisations help to address critical water policy challenges and priorities in both developing and developed countries. Current and recent projects focus on Smart Water Cities, Water Security, and Water Quality.

MEMBER-LED TASK FORCES

Our Task Forces, composed of experts from academia and international organisations, drive innovation, knowledge sharing, and actionable solutions. Current task forces include Early Career and Young Professionals, Groundwater, Land4Flood, Smart Water Management, Water & Climate Change, Water Quality, and Water Security.

Visit www.iwra.org/task-forces to learn more.

GEOGRAPHICAL CHAPTERS: BRIDGING LOCAL AND GLOBAL

We believe in the power of localised knowledge and experience. Our geographical chapters across regions such as China, Egypt, India, Japan, Mongolia, Oceania, Latin America and the Caribbean, play a pivotal role in driving our mission forward on a smaller scale. These chapters facilitate regional networking among IWRA members, amplifying our impact and fostering meaningful connections.

Visit www.iwra.org/geographic-chapters to learn more.

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: IWRA AWARDS

Our commitment to excellence is reflected in our awards programme, which acknowledges outstanding contributions to global water management. From recognising young innovators with the Water Drop Award to honouring visionary leaders through the Crystal Drop Award, and the Ven Te Chow Memorial Lecture Award. Additionally, we select new honorary and fellow members each year who have made significant contributions to the field. We celebrate those who drive positive change in the water sector.





Today, with the support of its members and partners, IWRA plays a critical role in ensuring sustainable water management throughout the world.

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and Innovation"

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INTERNATIONAL, POLICY
BRIEFS, WEBINAR SERIES,
PODCASTS, ETC.)

