



Regional Meeting on Hydro-informatics and Developing Knowledge Hub Networks

15-17 October 2008, Zhengzhou, People's Republic of China
Hosted by the Yellow River Conservancy Commission

Tentative Program

Wednesday 15 October

- 09:00 – 12:00 Plenary opening session with presentations by:
- Vice-Minister Hu Siyi, Ministry of Water Resources, China
 - Li Guoying, Commissioner of the Yellow River Conservancy Commission
 - Speakers from the Network of Asian River Basin Organizations (NARBO), Asian Development Bank, and UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education
- 12:00 – 12:30 Launch of the Center for Hydro-informatics in River Basins (CHIRB) at the Yellow River Conservancy Commission as Regional Water Knowledge Hub on Decision Support Systems for River Basin Management
- 12:30 – 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 – 18:00 *Track 1 for IWRM Project Managers:*
Presentations and discussion of experience in the application of hydro-informatics to introduce integrated water resources management (IWRM) in the Yellow River Basin (for water allocation, flood management, pollution control, and climate change)
- Track 2 for Knowledge Hub Managers:*
Facilitated meeting on improving hub business plans, developing the hub networks, and presentation and review of business plans by candidate regional water knowledge hubs

Thursday 16 October

- 09:00 – 12:30 *Track 1 for IWRM Project Managers:*
Presentations and discussion of experience in the application of hydro-informatics to introduce integrated water resources management (IWRM) in Asian Rivers (introducing applications in selected river basins in Asian countries)
- Track 2 for Knowledge Hub Managers:*
Continuation of first-day meeting
- 12:30 – 14:30 Lunch break
- 14:30 – 17:00 *Track 1 for IWRM Project Managers:*
Brief presentations by CHIRB partners on their experience and services to the knowledge network on hydro-informatics in river basins, followed by discussion on meeting client needs and expectations by CHIRB, its partners and the network on applying hydro-informatics in river basins
- Track 2 for Knowledge Hub Managers:*
Final session

Friday 17 October

- *Study visit* to the 3 Yellow Rivers (natural, physical, and digital), including the flood management center, water allocation and remote control center, erosion management center, hydraulic laboratory, hydrological station, diversion gates, and standardized embankments (linkages will also be explored with the topics of urban water management, water quality management, and adaptation to climate change), and the Xiaolangdi multipurpose dam project on the Yellow River.

Targeted Participants

- APWF *KnowledgeHubs* managers and staff, candidate hubs, member organizations of NARBO, government project directors and senior staff of projects introducing IWRM in river basins in Asia, APWF lead organizations and secretariat, development partners in the region, and civil society, including academe, from People's Republic of China and other countries in the region, and others to be discussed.

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