

IWC's Expertise

The International WaterCentre (IWC) is dedicated to providing the most advanced education and training, applied research and consulting activities to develop capacity and promote whole-of-water cycle approaches to water management around the world.

The IWC is a joint venture of four leading Australian universities - The University of Queensland, Griffith University, Monash University and The University of Western Australia, as well as the Healthy Waterways Partnership and International Riverfoundation. The IWC is supported by The Queensland Government.

IWC's Services

As the regional water knowledge hub for healthy rivers and aquatic ecosystems, IWC collaborates with government entities, water sector agencies, nongovernment organizations, communities, regional organizations, public and private corporations, and others to:

- Identify, generate, and exchange best practices and the most up-to-date information related to the protection and restoration of rivers and aquatic ecosystems through a network of knowledge institutions, experts, and champions;
- Provide training and postgraduate courses in integrated water resource management that cut across all aspects of the water cycle;
- Foster a stimulating, collaborative, and innovative research environment that produces relevant and feasible knowledge solutions to the threats that face rivers and aquatic ecosystems;
- Develop and share a framework for monitoring and evaluating the health of rivers and aquatic ecosystems using a regional scorecard and a global, cross-catchment/watershed accounting system that help decision makers prioritize which waterways to protect, restore, and sustainably manage;
- Offer a master's program and postgraduate student exchange scholarships that train water sector professionals in the environmental, social, and economic aspects of water resource management, as well as in the technical and scientific aspects;
- Create a pool of experts, water leaders, and champions with the knowledge, skills, and passion to protect and restore rivers and aquatic ecosystems;
- Furnish government entities, water sector agencies, and others with access to leading water industry researchers who bring the biophysical sciences and social and economic disciplines together to address the health of rivers and aquatic ecosystem; and
- Train and mentor water agencies and communities around the Asia-Pacific region in comprehensive water resource management and development strategies.

IWC's Knowledge Partners

The IWC is committed to developing its network of existing partners from around the Asia-Pacific region to further share knowledge, develop capacity, and coordinate services in the water sector. Public and private sector organisations interested in healthy rivers and aquatic ecosystems are invited to join IWC's network of key knowledge partners that include the following institutions:

- Ministry of Water Resources, PRC
- Yellow River Conservancy Commission, PRC
- Network of Asian River Basin Organizations (NARBO)
- eWater Cooperative Research Centre, Australia
- National Water Commission, Australian Government
- Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Australian Government
- Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Australia
- Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)
- South East Queensland Healthy Waterways Partnership, Australia
- International Riverfoundation
- The University of Queensland, Australia
- Griffith University, Queensland, Australia
- Monash University, Melbourne, Australia
- University of Western Australia

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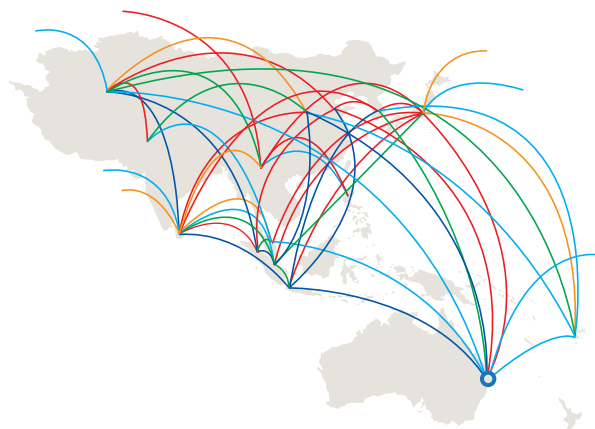
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About KnowledgeHubs

KnowledgeHubs, the Asia-Pacific Water Forum's network of regional water knowledge hubs, is a family of internationally recognized institutions committed to generating and sharing water knowledge and building capacity in the Asia-Pacific region. Each hub takes the lead in networking with clients and partners on a priority water topic such as urban water management, water quality in river basins, flood management, river basin organizations and management, water and climate change adaptation, hydroinformatics, irrigation service reform, water governance, and more. For more information, visit www.apwf-knowledgehubs.net.

About the Asia-Pacific Water Forum

The Asia-Pacific Water Forum is an independent, not-for-profit, nonpartisan, and nonpolitical network dedicated to improving sustainable water management by championing best practices, boosting investments, building capacity, and enhancing cooperation in the water sector. For more information, visit www.apwf.org.