

Call for Host Country & City of the 4th APWS

Overview of the Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF) & the outcomes of past Asia-Pacific Water Summit (APWS)

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1. Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF)

The Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF) is
an independent non-profit **multi-stakeholders' network**.

- Established in 2006

Objective

To raise the priority of tackling water security issues highlighted in the development agenda

Building Capacity, Enhancing Cooperation, Boosting Investment



The establishment of APWF was announced during the 4th World Water Forum, Mexico.



APWF launching Ceremony at the ADB HQ in Sep. 2006

Governance Structure of the APWF



President

H.E. Mr. Yoshiro Mori
Former Prime Minister of Japan / President of Japan Water Forum



Governing Council

■ Chair of APWF Governing Council

Mr. Ravi Narayanan, Former Chief Executive of WaterAid

■ Vice-Chairs of APWF Governing Council

- Ms. Changhua Wu, Chair of China Redesign Hub, Office of Jeremy Rifkin
- Prof. Eduardo Araral, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore

Key Member Organizations

Lead Organizations

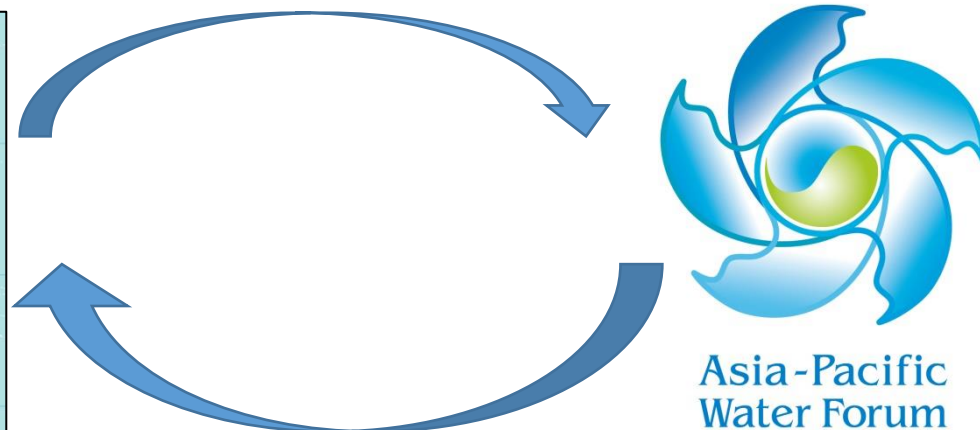
ADB, UNESCAP, FAO, UNESCO, UNHABITAT,
Singapore PUB, GWPO, ICHARM, ICIMOD,
IWMI, IUCN, IWC, NARBO, JSC, etc

Sub-regional Coordinators

5 sub-regions

Secretariat: Japan Water Forum

Countries/Regions and Sub-regions



Sub-regions and countries / Overall secretariat : Japan Water Forum

Sub-region	Countries	Sub-regional coordinators
Central Asia	Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan	EC IFAS, GWP CACENA
Northeast Asia	China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, Mongolia, and Republic of Korea	Korea Water Forum
Southeast Asia	Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, East Timor, and Vietnam	GWP Southeast Asia
South Asia	Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Maldives, and Sri Lanka	GWP South Asia
Oceania & Pacific	Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu	Pacific Community (SOPAC)
Others	Iran, Israel	

2. Asia-Pacific Water Summit (APWS)

Primary Objective of the APWS

- To create an opportunity for the ***political leaders*** of the Asia-Pacific region to set a course of action for the sustainable development of the region from the perspective on water, so as to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Three summits have been held so far...

- The 1st APWS, Beppu, Oita, Japan, Dec. 2007
- The 2nd APWS, Chaing Mai, Thailand, May 2013
- The 3rd APWS, Yangon, Myanmar, Dec. 2017

Organized by APWF in collaboration with hosting country.

2. Asia-Pacific Water Summit (APWS)

(1) The 1st APWS

– *Water Security: Leadership and Commitment*

- Organized in Japan in Dec. 2007
 - 371 leaders (incl. **10 heads of country** & 32 ministers) attended
 - Adopted the “**Message from Beppu**”
- Set up a target to achieve universal access to safe water and sanitation by 2025

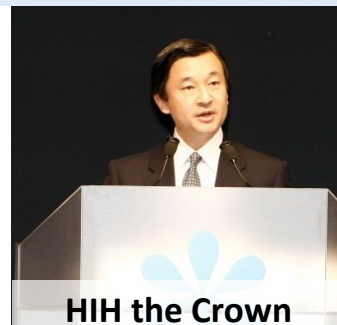
It was the first water summit which highlighted the necessity to address water-related disasters as higher priority of the global development agenda.



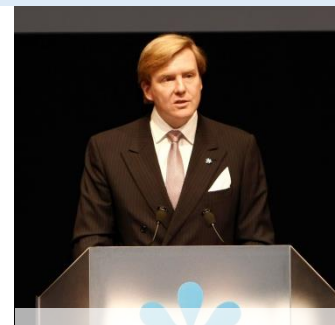
President of
Tajikistan



President of
Kiribati



HHH the Crown
Prince of Japan
Honorary President
of UNSGAB



HRH Prince Orange
of the Netherlands
Chair of UNSGAB



Prime
Minister of
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2. Asia-Pacific Water Summit (APWS)

(2) The 2nd APWS

– *Water Security and Water-related Disaster Challenges: Leadership and Commitment*

- held in Thailand in May 2013
- Over 300 leaders (incl. **18 heads of country** & 16 ministers) attended
- Adopted the **“Chiang Mai Declaration”**

- Integrated the first quantitative and comprehensive research outcomes into water security agenda
- The achievement of the 2nd APWS contributed to the fact that the risk reduction of water disasters was reflected into some targets in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



2. Asia-Pacific Water Summit (APWS)

(2) The 3rd APWS

– *Water Security for Sustainable Development*

- held in Myanmar in Dec. 2017
- Over 700 leaders (incl. 20 heads of country & ministerial-level delegates) attended
- Adopted the **“Yangon Declaration: the Pathway Forward”**

The 3rd APWS aligned with the UN International Decade for Action 2018-2028. It marked the beginning of regional endeavor to take a leading role for the implementation of the New Decade by sharing concrete actions and solutions.



Yangon Declaration: The Pathway Forward



- *Provide* **safe and affordable drinking water and basic sanitation** for all in the region **by 2025**
- ***Double* investment at the regional level** to address water-related disasters and significantly increase water security
- ***Advance* research and development as well as education and training**
- *Apply* **measures tailored at local conditions** of countries and communities through **regional knowledge management**
- *Facilitate* the **implementation of IWRM at all levels**, including through **transboundary cooperation, as appropriate, and partnerships**

Call for Actions on

- Sound water cycle management
- Governance and inclusive development
- Financing the implementation of water-related SDGs
- Water cooperation at all levels

The Yangon Declaration is downloadable from:

http://apwf.org/apwf_wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Yangon-Declaration.pdf

3. Call for Host Country & City of the 4th APWS



- Open to national and local governments of any country in the Asia and Pacific Region that can demonstrate its willingness and capacity to organize the event in 2020

Application Procedure:

- **Please read the Guideline for Hosting the 4th APWS, enclosed.**
- **Initial Expression of the Interests: by 24 September 2018**
 - **Bid Proposal: by the end of October 2018**

We look forward to your submission!

Contact: office@apwf.org

ANNEX. Japan Water Forum (JWF)

Japan Water Forum (JWF) is:

- an NPO serving as a contact point for exchange and cooperation among water stakeholders in Japan and abroad
- established in 2004 in Tokyo as a succeeding organization of the Secretariat of **the 3rd World Water Forum (2003)**

Objective

To promote an understanding of the fundamental impact of water on everyone's lives, leading to decisive action to address the water issues .

JWF pursues a broad range of activities, categorized in 4 pillars, leveraging extensive domestic and international networks.



Pillar 1: Policy Recommendation



Pillar 2: Grass-roots Activities



Pillar 3: Transmitting Japanese knowhow to the world



Pillar 4: Capacity building and Awareness Raising

