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Certification System for IWRM Professionals

Session 2

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR IWRM PROCESS



Background of the Situation

- IWRM as a process revolves around stakeholders' systematic and coordinated engagement
- Improving IWRM requires capacity building at all levels, made more significant due to climate change impacts and rapid economic growth
- RBOs have a pivotal role to address challenges at river basin context, hence need for more capacity building
- NARBO can assist RBOs to improve IWRM capacity by introducing IWRM proficiency certification & award program

What has been done by NARBO?

- Framework for IWRM certification of water and RBO practitioners (TAC, Singapore, 2008)
- Accreditation and award scheme discussed in the 4th NARBO General Meeting, Nov. 2010 with knowledge partners and International Water Center
- Proposal for NARBO IWRM proficiency certification and award program, revised in Jan. 2013

Purpose of Session

- To help achieve better understanding of capacity development of RBOs through certification system for IWRM professionals
- To further explore and discuss a certification system for IWRM professionals
- To solicit inputs to help NARBO further enhance proposal