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Leadership for the IWRM Process

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My Profile



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Keynote Messages

- Leadership for the IWRM process will increase water security
- Leaders need to span boundaries in the basin
- There is a need to engage youth and non-executive leaders early



Questions

1. What leadership is needed for improving IWRM?
2. How can leadership be nurtured for IWRM process?
3. How should leaders cope with implementation issues of IWRM?



Highlights

- Leadership for effective implementation of the IWRM process is vital at all levels of water governance.
- Engaging and nurturing youth early as future leaders can lead to more effective water governance.
- The IWRM process in river basins needs leadership to establish direction, alignment, and commitment across boundaries to deliver the aspirations of river basin stakeholders.



Proposal from Youth

- **Why Youth Care:** many young girls spend their days fetching water instead of going to school. Thousands of children die unnecessarily of waterborne disease due to unsafe water and lack of basic sanitation facilities. Children and youth are disproportionately affected by water disasters whether droughts or floods.
- **Ready to be Partner:** Young people have the capacity to inspire others and to support NARBO and RBO and other stakeholders to improve water security throughout Asia Pacific region



Proposal from Youth

- **We applaud NARBO and its partners** in its efforts to empower youth to become water leaders. We encourage the further development of these initiatives and commit to support them. We are very grateful to NARBO for the opportunity to learn from you this week .
- **Our Propose** is to be recognized as an important stakeholder by NARBO and to further work with as an organisation in a Youth-NARBO initiative. We also welcome engagement with individual River Basin Organizations.



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Thank You for Your Kind Attention

