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## Concept Note

### 3<sup>rd</sup> NARBO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting in Makassar, Indonesia

#### Background

The Network of Asian River Basin Organizations (NARBO) was established in February 2004 to promote integrated water resources management (IWRM) in the Asia monsoon region at river basin level. During the five years since its establishment, the network has organized events, including regular training on IWRM, to strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of river basin organizations (RBOs) to promote IWRM and to improve water governance.

Keen to continuously improve the quality and credibility of its annual training program on IWRM to the level of a prestigious regional flagship program, NARBO agreed at its 3<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting in Indonesia last February 2008 to establish the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The primary role of TAC is review and advises NARBO leadership and secretariat in revamping the training program, based on experience gained by NARBO over the past years and taking into account approaches and experiences by other training providers. The TAC is also expected to advice on other strategically important matters concerning NARBO activities.

NARBO held its 1<sup>st</sup> TAC Meeting in Singapore in April 2008, back-to-back with the meeting of the regional water knowledge hubs. Based on the result of the meeting, NARBO with support from the International WaterCentre, designed and conducted its 5<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training which was held in Hoi An, Viet Nam on 18 - 25 February 2009. 24 delegates from 6 countries have participated. The IWRM Guidelines was introduced during the training, and subsequently officially launched at the 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum in Istanbul last March 2009.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> NARBO TAC meeting was held in Singapore on 25 June 2009 and discussed: (i) to seek advise on the direction of NARBO's IWRM Training program, including on the design of NARBO's 6<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training; (ii) to share results of the 5<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training; and (iii) to introduce and promote the IWRM Guidelines. NARBO secretariat proposed to conduct trainings for middle-grade staff twice and for senior class after the completion of two trainings. Based on the result of the 2<sup>nd</sup> TAC, NARBO organized the 6<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training in Da Nang on 30 November to 7 December. 19 delegates from 7 countries have participated, and basic program of the training was consisted in the IWRM Guidelines.

Based on the Action Plan 2010-2011, NARBO secretariat will organize the 7<sup>th</sup> IWRM training in first quarter of 2011 and consult the contents of the training and strategy of NARBO's IWRM training in the future to the TAC members.

## 1. Date

Friday Evening 12 November (Just after the 4<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of NARBO)

## 2. Venue

Clarion Hotel & Convention Makassar

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## 3. Committee members

- Senior Advisors
  
- Selected Regional Water Knowledge Hubs
  - Mr. Ir. Isnugroho, Executive Director, Center for River Basin Organizations and Management (CRBOM), Indonesia
  - Dr. Peter Oliver, Senior Lecturer (Education and Training , International WaterCentre (IWC), Australia
  
- NARBO Chair, Vice-Chair, and Vice-Secretary Generals
  
- Other Experts
  - Dr. Ir. Hj. Keizrul Bin Abdullah
  - Dr. Apichart Anukularmphai
  - Mr. Rahardjanto, Vice Leader, CRBOM
  - Mr. Fahmi Hidayat, Vice Director, CRBOM
  - Mr. Tue Kell Nielsen, ADB Consultant
  
- NARBO Secretariat

#### 4. Program (Tentative)

- 17:40 - 17:45 Opening Session
- Opening Remarks by NARBO Chairperson
  - Selection of TAC Chairperson
- 17:45 - 18:00 Presentation about the result of the 6<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training, concept of the 7<sup>th</sup> IWRM Training and strategy in the future
- 18:00 - 18:35 Discussion
- 18:35 - 18:40 Closing Session
- Synthesis and next steps by NARBO Vice Chairperson

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