



Announcement

Piloting of the Performance Benchmarking Tool for River Basin Organizations and the Peer Review Process

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1. Background

The International Water Management Institute (IWMI) is taking the lead in the benchmarking work together with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and is now assisting in piloting of the river basin organization (RBO) performance evaluation tool with peer review process. An IWMI team together with some ADB staff will give the orientation and training on peer reviewing using the agreed NARBO performance benchmarking tool. This tool has been developed by IWMI and the ADB together with some of the NARBO members in the last two years. The peer review of the first pilot RBO, the Jasa Tirta II Public Corporation, will follow the two-day orientation. The activity will end with the certification of the first batch of RBO Peer Reviewers.

With the completion of the orientation/training, the qualified and successful participants will be certified as RBO Peer Reviewers. After the orientation/training, the **Certified Peer Reviewers are expected** to:

1. Be available to conduct peer reviews; and
2. (Once commissioned to conduct peer reviews for some RBOs)
 - a. Be available to visit the RBOs to be peer-reviewed;
 - b. Be able to work with other peer reviewers in a team;
 - c. Have the ability to review RBO Self-Assessment Reports and all relevant support documents and materials to be provided by the RBO Self-Assessment Teams;
 - d. Have the ability to interview top management and staff of RBOs being peer-reviewed;
 - e. Hold dialogues with RBO Self-Assessment Teams;
 - f. Write reports of key Peer Review findings and recommendations;
 - g. Present results to RBO top managements; and
 - h. Submit final Peer Review Reports after the peer review process.

2. Program

Please refer to the program.

3. Participants

Given the expected demands of Certified RBO Peer Reviewers, applicants who meet the following criteria and highly recommended by the head of his/her organization will be considered and offered financial support to participate in the program:

1. He/she should be holding a **senior management position**. Specifically, he/she should
 - a. be able to make or influence decisions;
 - b. possess a high degree of technical and administrative skills;



- c. be knowledgeable of the activities and operations of the RBO including client needs; and
 - d. be able to substantially contribute and foster knowledge-sharing during deliberations of the peer review team, and to develop critical evaluations and strategies as necessary.
- 2. He/she has **extensive experience** in river basin work. Specifically, he/she should
 - a. have several years of river basin planning and management experience
 - b. have substantial knowledge of the water resources challenges and needs of the river basin
 - c. be able to apply technical skills to advise and support, and to develop critical analysis and strategies.
- 3. He/she should be highly proficient in both oral and written English.

Applicants should send letter of interest with endorsement from the head of his organization. He/she should fill out the registration form and send to any of the above contact persons.

4. Accommodation and others

The secretariat makes the hotel booking for all confirmed participants and can also make arrangements for transportation from the airport to hotel upon receipt of the participants' itinerary.

For more information, please e-mail the Secretariat.