



# Overview of the Asia-Pacific Regional Process



Asia-Pacific  
Water Forum





# 10<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum: Asia-Pacific Regional Process



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## Leading coordinators:

- Asia-Pacific Water Forum (Secretariat: Japan Water Forum),
- Asia Water Council (Secretariat: K-Water) and
- Asian Development Bank (ADB)



Photo: AP Regional process consultation meeting at 2<sup>nd</sup> Preparatory meeting, OCT2023

The Asia-Pacific Regional Process is divided into five sub-regions:

- Northeast Asia,
- Southeast Asia,
- South Asia,
- Central Asia & the Caucasus, and
- Pacific Islands.



AP Regional Process Concept note  
is on QR code

To ensure cohesive multi-stakeholder discussions, the Asia-Pacific Regional Process first established a 10-topic framework aligned with the six sub-themes and topics of the thematic process.

Each sub-region then selected the topics, and prioritized and has discussed specific issues, presents breakthroughs, and shares best practices to address challenges and enhance effective water management practices tailored to local and cultural contexts.

# Sub-regional Coordinators (16 organizations)



North East Asia	(Lead) Japan Water Forum
	(Co-lead) Changjiang Water Resources Commission (Agency of MWR)
	(Coordination supporting member) Korea Water Forum
	(Coordination supporting member) UNESCO Multi-Sectoral Office for East Asia
Southeast Asia	(Lead) GWP Southeast Asia
	(Co-lead) The NOC and MPWH coordinated with The Ministry of National Development Planning/BAPPENAS
	(Coordination supporting member) KOMECC
South Asia	(Lead) GWP South Asia (/ Women for Water Partnership)
	(Co-lead) Smart WASH Solutions (Nepal)
	(Co-lead) International Water Management Institute (IWMI) <Centering on IWMI Nepal>
	(support members) Gomol Damaan Area Water Partnership(GDAWP)
	(support members ) SaciWater
Central Asia	(Lead) Chair of the Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (IFAS)
	(Co-lead) GWP Central Asia & Caucasus
Pacific Islands	(Lead) Secretariat of Pacific Community (PICs)
	(Co-lead) AWP (PICs)

# Asia-Pacific Regional Process

Asia-Pacific Regional Process Sessions (17 in total)

- 11 sessions at sub-regional level.
  - 5 sub-regional synthesis sessions.
1. Reflecting their highlights, Asia-Pacific Regional Process Coordinators (APWF, AWC, ADB) will finally organize an Asia-Pacific Regional Process Synthesis Session and deliver our comprehensive key messages, breakthroughs, and pathways aligned with **5 guiding principles: Building Resilience and Adaptive Capacity;**
  - 2. Promoting Inclusiveness and Gender Equality;**
  - 3. Embracing Environmental Sustainability and the Circular Economy;**
  - 4. Improving Governance and Catalysing Finance; and**
  - 5. Fostering Innovation and Technological Advancement.**

◆ We also make the **Asia-Pacific Regional Synthesis Report** based on the above sessions.





RP 1	River Basin Management under Changing Climate	Northeast Asia	May 21 10 : 20 -11:50 BNDCC 2, GROUND FLOOR, MENGWI 7-8
2	Incorporating Sociocultural Dimensions in Water Resources Management: Policies, Practices, and Challenges	Northeast Asia	May 21 13 : 00 – 14 : 30 BNDCC 2, GROUND FLOOR, MENGWI 7-8
3	Smart Water Management: Opportunity and Challenges	Southeast Asia	May 21 14 : 50 – 16 : 20 BICC, 1st FLOOR, JAKARTA A-B
11	Climate-resilient sanitation in Pacific Small Island Developing States	Pacific Island Countries	May 21 14 : 50 – 16 : 20 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 3
9	Water security and Pacific SIDS	Pacific Island Countries	May 21 16:40 – 18:10 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 3
4	Mobilizing Water Finance for Climate Resilience in Central Asia and the Caucasus	Central Asia	May 21 16:40 – 18:10 BICC, 1st FLOOR, NUSANTARA 1
10	Strengthening engagement in water security to support Pacific resilience	Pacific Island Countries	May 22 8:30 – 10:00 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 6
8	Strengthening Resilience: Capacity Building for Gender-Inclusive Proactive Disaster Risk Reduction	South Asia	May 22 10 : 20 – 11:50 BICC, 1st FLOOR, NUSANTARA 3
7	Mobilizing Water Finance for Climate Adaptation and Disaster Risk Management	Southeast Asia	May 22 13 : 00 – 14 : 30 BICC, 1st FLOOR, JAKARTA A-B
8	Transboundary Water Cooperation in the Aral Sea basin for a better future	Central Asia	May 22 13 : 00 – 14 : 30 BICC, 1st FLOOR, NUSANTARA 3
6	Climate resilient WASH service delivery with a particular focus on inclusive sanitation management for marginalized groups	South Asia	May22 14 : 50 – 16 : 20 BICC, 1st FLOOR, JAKARTA A-B



# RP3: Smart Water Management for Resilience and Inclusive Water Services



**21st May 2024**  
**14:50 - 16:20 (GMT+8)**



**BICC, 1st Floor Jakarta A-B**  
**Nusa Dua, Bali**

## Opening remark



**Christopher Matthew Ilagan**  
Chairman  
Global Water Partnership Southeast Asia (GWP-SEA)

## Keynote Speech



**Prof. Eduardo Araral, Jr**  
Vice Chair  
Asia Pacific Water Forum

## Moderator



**Dr. Sangyoung Park**  
Executive Director  
KOMEK

## Speakers



**Dr. Eunher Shin**  
Principal Researcher  
K-Water



**Mr. Makoto KUDO**  
Director for Overseas Projects of Water Supply and Sewerage; Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan

## Closing Remark



**Dr. Mohammad Irfan Saleh**  
Director of Water Resources  
Ministry of Development and Planning (BAPPENAS), Republic of Indonesia



**Dato' Ir. Rozman bin Mohamad**  
Director of Water Resources Management and Hydrology Division Department of Irrigation and Drainage, Malaysia



**Dr. Sucharit Koontanakulvong**  
Assoc. Professor Chulalongkorn University, Thailand



**Dr. Ismail Widadi, S.T., M.Sc.**  
Director of Irrigation and Lowlands - Ministry of Public Works and Housing of Indonesia



**Dr. Pham Ngoc Bao**  
Senior researcher of IGES, Vietnam



# THE 10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

Join The Pacific Community (SPC) for a series of critical discussions on water security challenges faced by Pacific Small Island Developing States (SIDS) at the World Water Forum.

## JOIN US

- May 21st:** Session RP 11: Climate-resilient sanitation  
(2:50-4:20pm) - Kintamani 6
- Session RP 9: Water security and Pacific SIDS  
(4:40-6:10pm) - BNDCC 1 Mezzanine Floor 1, Kintamani 3

- May 22nd:** Session RP 10: Strengthening engagement for water security and Pacific resilience  
(8:30-10:00am) - BNDCC 1 Mezzanine Floor, Kintamani 6
- Synthesis Session: Water security and SIDS resilience  
(2:50-4:20pm) - BNDCC 2 Ground Floor, Mengwi 7-8

Detailed sessions can be found on: [www.worldwaterforum.org/regional-process](http://www.worldwaterforum.org/regional-process)

Don't miss these key sessions! Learn from experts and engage in discussions shaping a more water-secure future for Pacific Island communities.

**Note:**  
**RP11 Session room is**  
**KINTAMANI 3**





SUB-REGIONAL SYNTHESIS SESSION DESCRIPTION FORM

## 10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

**Climate resilient WASH service delivery with a particular focus on inclusive sanitation management and service delivery for marginalised groups in South Asia**

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY, 14.50-16.20 UHR (INDONESIAN TIME)

ROOM: BICC, JAKARTA A&B

## Way forward for inclusive and climate-resilient WASH

### Panelists



**Moderator**  
**Dr. Santosh Nepal**  
International Water  
Management Institute  
Nepal



**Dr. Mahreen Matto**  
National Inst of Urban  
Affairs  
India



**Mr. Amar Gunathileke**  
MARGA Institute  
Sri Lanka



**Dr. Alison Baker**  
Water for Women  
Australia



**Dr. Darshan Karki**  
International Water  
Management Institute  
Nepal

**Wednesday 22 May, 14.50-16.20 Uhr (Indonesian Time)**  
**Room: BICC, Jakarta A&B**



## 10th WORLD WATER FORUM, BALI, INDONESIA

**Join Us!**

**Asia Pacific Regional Process**

Session Code: RP5

**“Strengthening Resilience: Capacity Building  
for Gender-Inclusive Proactive Disaster Risk  
Reduction and Management”**



BICC, 1ST FLOOR,  
NUSANTARA 3

MAY 22, 2024,  
10:20 AM- 11:50 AM

**Register to receive updates & reminders:**

<https://forms.gle/r52R1rTqD9egFJbg6>







# Asia-Pacific Regional Process: 5 Synthesis of Sub-regional Session Schedule



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Asia Water Council

Water security and the resilience of small island communities	Pacific Island Country Sub-Regional Coordinators	May 22 14:50- 16:20 BNDCC 2, GROUND FLOOR, MENGWI 7-8
Resilient and Sustainable Water Scarcity Management in Southeast Asia	FAORAP Southeast Asia Sub-regional Coordinators	May 22 14:50-16:20 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 6
Towards the International Year of Glaciers' Preservation 2025: Cooperation, Governance, and Priority-setting for Climate Action and Resilience-building to Glacial Melt in Asia	ESCAP APWF South Asia Sub-Regional Coordinator	May 22 16:40-18:10 BNDCC 2, GROUND FLOOR, MENGWI 7-8
Synthesis of Paths towards Water Security in Central Asia and Caucasus	Central Asia and Caucasus Sub-regional Coordinators	May 22 16:40-18:10 BICC, 1st FLOOR, NUSANTARA 3
Youth Session: Promoting intergenerational initiatives for achieving sound water cycle	Northeast Asia Sub-Regional Coordinators (JWF, UNESCO Northeast Asia, KWF)	May 23 8:30-10:00 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 2



# RP Sub-regional Southeast Asia Synthesis Session: Resilient and Sustainable Water Scarcity Management in Southeast Asia

 **22 May 2024**  
**14.50 – 16.20**  
**WITA (GMT +8)**

 **BNDCC 1,**  
**MEZZANINE**  
**FLOOR**  
**KINTAMANI 6**



**Fany Wedahuditama**  
Regional Coordinator  
Global Water Partnership  
Southeast Asia (GWP-SEA)



**Tim Goodes**  
Executive Director, Basin Plan  
The Murray–Darling Basin  
Authority Australia



**Caroline Turner**  
Water Scarcity Programme Manager  
Food and Agricultural Organization  
of the United Nations



**Thanapon Piman**  
Senior Research Fellow  
Stockholm Environment Institute  
(SEI)



**Muhammad Irfan Saleh**  
Director of Water Resources  
BAPPENAS, Indonesia



**Sengphasouk Xayavong**  
Deputy Director of the Policy  
Division, DWR  
MONRE, Lao PDR



**Nitidate Makkate**  
Civil Engineer  
Senior Professional Level  
ONWR, Thailand



**Dr. An Pich Hatda**  
Secretary of State  
MoWRaM, Cambodia



**Ms. Yasmin Siddiqi**  
Director, Agriculture, Food,  
Nature, and Rural Development  
Sector Office  
Asian Development Bank





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# WORLD WATER FORUM REGIONAL PROCESS



Towards the International Year of Glaciers' Preservation 2025:  
Cooperation, Governance and Priority-setting for  
Climate Action and Resilience building to Glacial Melt in Asia

22 May 2024 (16.40 – 18.10)

Bali, Indonesia

Meeting Room: Mengwi 7&8, Theatre , Bali Nusa Dua Convention Center

## AGENDA

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16.40 - 16.55

### OPENING

- Opening Remarks: Ms. Hitomi Rankine, Chief, Environment and Development Policy Section, Environment and Development Division, ESCAP
- Keynote Address: H. E. Mr. Shoimzoda Jamashed Shodi, Deputy Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Tajikistan

16.55 - 17.20

### PANEL: State of knowledge and scientific cooperation

- Moderator: Dr. Changhua Wu, Chair of the Governing Council, Asia-Pacific Water Forum
- Panelists
  - Dr. Abou Amani, Director, Water Sciences Division and Secretary, Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
  - Dr. Mohsin Hafeez, Director, Water, Food and Ecosystems, International Water Management Institute





## AGENDA

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17.20 - 17.55

PANEL: Sub-regional perspectives on transboundary collaboration

- Moderator: Ms. Hitomi Rankine, Chief, Environment and Development Policy Section, Environment and Development Division, ESCAP
- Panelists
  - Central Asia: Mr. Gamzat Khairov, Deputy Chairman, Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea
  - Hindu-Kush-Himalaya region: Dr. Senaka Basnayake, Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center
  - South-East Asia: Dr. Truong Hong Tien, Deputy Director General, Viet Nam National Mekong Committee Secretariat

17.55 - 18.10

COMMENTARY AND DISCUSSION

CLOSING





10TH WORLD WATER FORUM  
REGIONAL PROCESS SUB-REGIONAL  
NORTHEAST ASIA SYNTHESIS SESSION

YOUTH SESSION:  
PROMOTING  
INTERGENERATIONAL  
INITIATIVES  
FOR ACHIEVING  
SOUND WATER CYCLE

DATE : 23 MAY 2024  
TIME : 8:30 - 10:00 AM  
LOCATION : KINTAMANI 2,  
MEZZANINE, BNDCC 1

Moderators:



Ms. Yoon Jeong Kwon  
Korea Water Forum



Mr. Maulana Rizki  
UNESCO Jakarta office



KOREA  
WATER FORUM



Speakers:



Ms. Hayoung Park  
Project Manager  
at TurnTable



Mr. Dino Satria  
Church World Service



Ms. Tanya Huizer  
Senior Water Resilience Specialist,  
Water and Urban Development  
Sector Office, Sectors Group, ADB



Mr. Kuanysh Uzbekov  
Delegate of the World  
Youth Parliament for Water



Ms. En Lin  
China



Mr. Yin Jianqi  
China



Mr. A. Darkhan-Erdene  
Mongolia



Dr. Mikio Ishiwatari  
Board member  
Japan Water Forum



Prof. Eun Namkung  
Vice President  
Korea Water Forum



Ms. Fumina Ishimaru  
Fukuoka Institute  
of Technology  
Jyoto High School



Ms. Hinako Ogisawa  
Fukuoka Institute  
of Technology  
Jyoto High School



Ms. Honoka Mombetsu  
Tomikawa High School



Mr. Yuya Yamaguchi  
Tomikawa High School



Ms. Eri Noda  
Global Environment  
Department, JICA



## **Asia-Pacific Regional Process Synthesis Session**

**(joint among  
APWF, AWC, ADB)**



**23 May 10:20-11:20  
BNDCC 1, 1st FLOOR, SINGARAJA 1**

Reflecting on the outcomes of 16 sessions, deliver our comprehensive key messages, breakthroughs, and pathways aligned with **5 guiding principles**:

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# High Level Panel Involvement

HLP8	<b>Status of Early Warnings for All (EW4All) initiative</b>	<b>ST3 + Asia &amp; Pacific</b>	<b>May 20 13 : 00 – 14 : 30 BNDCC 1, MEZZANINE FLOOR, KINTAMANI 6</b>
HLP3	<b>Global water governance: What's next?</b>	<b>ST1, 4 + Asia &amp; Pacific, Mediterranean</b>	<b>May 22 14 : 50 – 16:20 BNDCC 2, GROUND FLOOR, PECATU 5</b>
HLP2	<b>Climate-Water-Energy-Food-Ecology System of Systems</b>	<b>ST2 + Asia &amp; Pacific</b>	<b>May 23 13 : 00 – 14 : 30 BICC, GROUND FLOOR, AUDITORIUM</b>
HLP11	<b>Nature for Water: the business case for Nature to deliver value for water security</b>	<b>ST2 (TNC), Asia &amp; Pacific</b>	<b>May 23 14 : 50 – 16 : 20 BICC, GROUND FLOOR, AUDITORIUM</b>