



Regional process in Asia and the Pacific region for the 5th World Water Forum

Asia-Pacific Water Forum
(Japan Water Forum)



Movement after the 4th World Water Forum

- Announcement of the Asia-Pacific Water Forum regional network in March 2006
- Launching of the Asia-Pacific Water Forum in September 2006
 - President: Mr. Yoshiro Mori
 - Governing Council
 - Chair: Prof. Tommy Koh
 - Vice Chairs:
 - Ms. Erna Witoelar
 - Mr. Ravi Narayanan



- 1st Asia-Pacific Water Summit (1st APWS) in December 2007

Key Outcome Documents of 1st APWS

- **Message from Beppu**
 - Agreed by participants
- **Chair's Summary**
 - Summary of discussions



1st Asia-Pacific Water Summit



Steering Committee
Chair: Yoshiro Mori



**Japan Water Forum
(JWF)**

- **APWF Secretariat**
- **1st Asia Pacific
Water Summit
Secretariat**

- **Message from Open Events (30)**
- **Message from NGOs**

Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF)



Governing Council
Chair: Tommy Koh
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- **APWF Policy Brief**
 - Key Messages & Policy
Recommendation

Expected roles of Regional Consortium

Roles of regional coordinator: APWF

(requirement from the Secretariat and WWC)

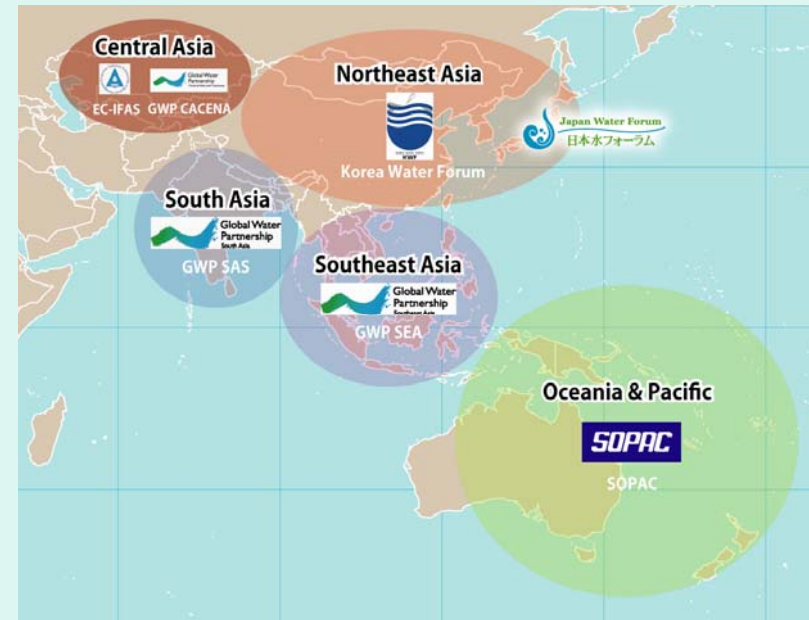
1. Facilitate regional participation
 - Establish a regional consortium
 - Organize/participate in regional meetings
2. Contribute to thematic process of the Forum
 - Coordinate to ensure the regional priorities to be reflected in session develop.
3. Organize reporting during/after the Forum week
 - Make regional inputs to thematic/political processes
 - Preparation of regional session and of contributions to thematic sessions
 - Production of Regional Document
 - Contribute to Final Forum Report
4. Contribute to political process of the Forum
 - Organize/participate in the regional summit to report at Min. Conf.
 - Mobilize three levels (local authorities/ministerial/parliamentarians) of participation in regional meetings

Proposed Roles of *sub-regional coordinator*

1. Establish a sub-regional consortium with participation of various stakeholders
2. Identify sessions to which sub-regional experiences could contribute.
3. Organize one **sub-regional meeting** (preferably with the Ministerial Conf.)
4. Promote participations of sub-regional stakeholders in the preparatory meetings/5th World Water Forum
5. Contribute to sub-regional part of Regional Document

Sub-regions and sub-regional coordinators in Asia and the Pacific

Sub regions	Coordinators	JWF Liaison officers
Northeast Asia	Korea Water Forum	Ms. Kaori Kondo (nea@waterforum.jp)
Southeast Asia	GWP SEA	Mr. Shuichi Hirayama (sea@waterforum.jp)
South Asia	GWP SAS	Mr. Hikaru Shoji (sas@waterforum.jp)
Central Asia	GWP Cacena /IFAS	Mr. Kunio Kawamoto Mr. Shigenori Asai (cea@waterforum.jp)
Oceania & Pacific	SOPAC	Ms. Shinobu Fukumoto Ms. Sophia Sandstrom (op@waterforum.jp)



Important Dates for the Forum Preparation

- June 2008 : Evaluation session development proposals by Programme Committee (PC).
- July 2008 : Topic session proposals agreed by PC.
- July – Nov. 2008: Session development by session groups through real or virtual stakeholder consultations; incorporation of responses on call for contributions.
- **September 30, 2008:** Closing of contributions for sessions and topics.
- November 1, 2008: Detailed session schedule proposals and preliminary recommendations from topics and theme coordinators received.
- November 2008: 3rd Announcement published with detailed session plan and schedules.
- January 31, 2009: Final thematic, topic and session documents received.
- March 16-22, 2009: Forum Week.
- May 1, 2009: Thematic synthesis reports submitted to PC by thematic coordinator.

Measures to accomplish the sub-regional coordinators' roles

1. Session identification

- Call for the ideas on possible contribution to the agreed topic sessions through the ML or Virtual Meeting Space on Forum web.
- Summarize inputs (the template will be provided by APWF) and submit it to APWF **by the end of August**
 - > APWF will compile all sub-regions' inputs and send to each thematic & topic coordinator/session convener

2. Sub-regional meeting

- Requested to organize **by November 2008** (preferably back to back with already planned meeting/conference)
- Objectives
 - to finalize sub-regional part of Regional Document
 - to follow up the contribution to the session development process
 - > to be presented at the Regional Synthesis Mtg in Tokyo



Themes and Topics

Issue	Theme	Topic
Providing water for development	1. Global Changes & Risk Management	1.1 Adapting to climate change in water resources: understanding the impacts of climate change, vulnerability assessments and adaptation measures.
		1.2 Migration and changing land uses, human settlements and water
		1.3 Managing disasters
	2. Advancing Human Development and the MDGs	2.1 Ensuring water, sanitation and hygiene for all <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensuring adequate infrastructure - protecting public health in the short term
		2.2 Water for energy, energy for water
		2.3 Water and food for ending poverty and hunger
		2.4 Multiple uses and functions of water e.g. water supply and irrigation
	3. Managing and Protecting Water Resources and their Supply Systems to Meet Human and Environmental Needs	3.1 Basin management and trans-boundary water cooperation
		3.2 Ensuring adequate water resources and storage infrastructure to meet agricultural, energy and urban needs
		3.3 Preserving natural ecosystems
		3.4 Managing and protecting surface, ground (soil) and rainwater
	Enabling mechanisms for development	4. Governance and Management
4.2 Improving performance through regulatory approaches		
4.3 Ethics, transparency, and empowerment of stakeholders		
4.4 Optimizing public and private roles in water services		
4.5 Institutional arrangements for efficient and effective water management		
5. Finance		5.1 Sustainable financing for the water sector
		5.2 Pricing strategies for a sustainable water sector
		5.3 Water for poverty
6. Education, Knowledge and Capacity Building		6.1 Education, knowledge and capacity development strategies
		6.2 Water science and technology: appropriate and innovative solutions for the 21st Century (to address the needs of society)
		6.3 Using the assets of professional associations and networks to achieve the MDGs
		6.4 Data for all
		6.5 Water and culture

Linkage between APWF activities and Regional preparation

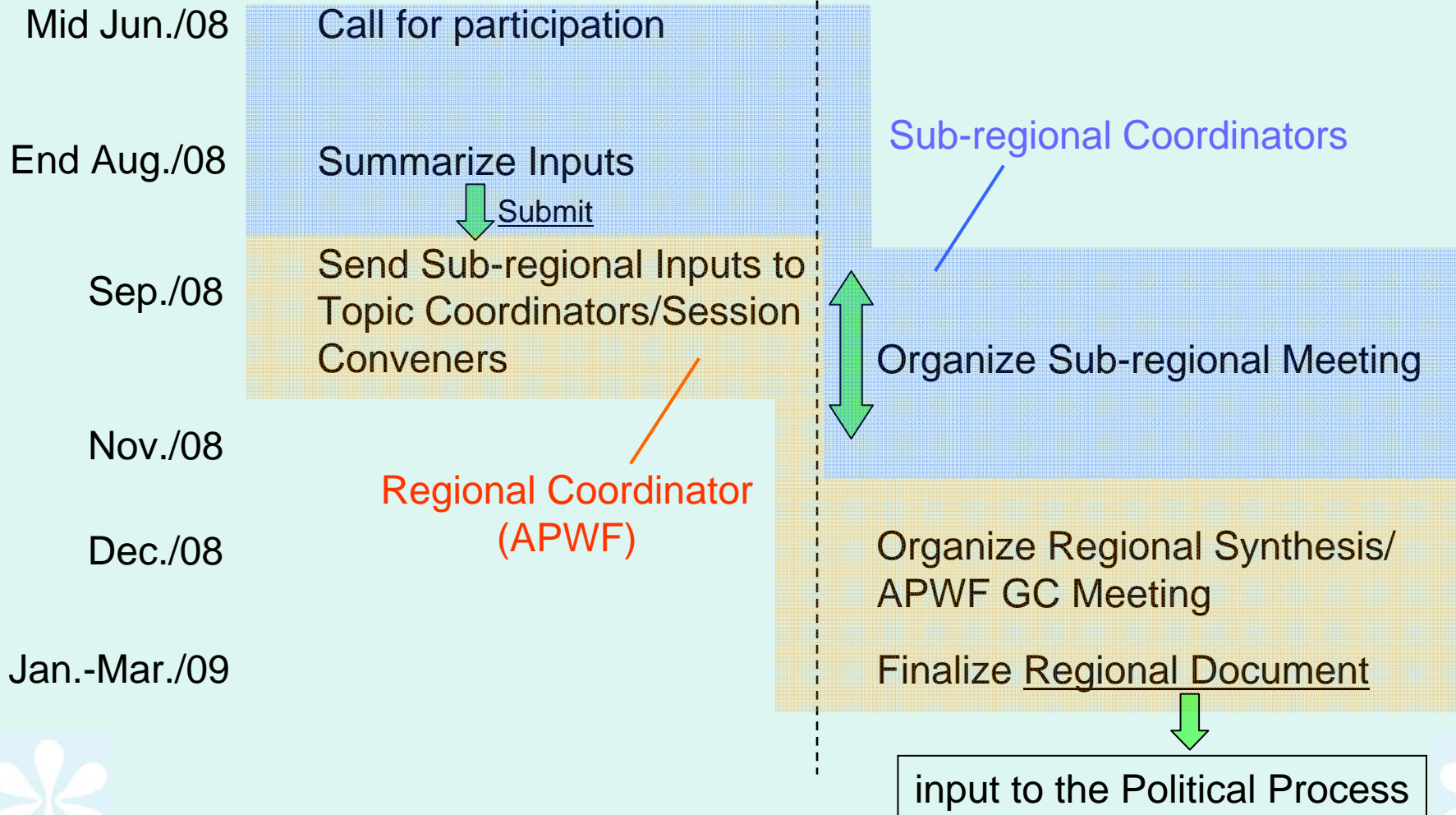
- Follow up of the recommendations/concrete initiatives in APWF Policy Brief 2007 and Message from Beppu
 - First progress report at the 3rd GC Mtg on June 23, 2008 in Singapore on the occasion of SIWW
 - Second progress report at the joint Regional Synthesis and APWF 4th GC Mtg in November 2008 (tbc) in Tokyo
- Progress report is compiled (as a follow up document of APWF PB 2007) and incorporated into Regional Document with sub-regional inputs
 - > could be input to the Political Process and its outcome documents**



Future Schedule (tentative)

Sessions

Regional Doc.





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Thank you very much!

