

Flood and Drought Management Tools update Vol.12

To get an overview of the technical applications, visit the Flood and Drought portal at <u>www.flooddroughtmonitor.com</u>. The technical applications will be finalised this year. The project will use the remaining time to dedicate effort towards training and capacity. Additional training material is being developed to help with the understanding of the applications and how to integrate this in current planning processes. This will be available on the portal and through the project <u>website</u>.

Water safety planning supporting application

The FDMT project has released a short video introducing the Water Safety Planning (WSP) application. The video is available on the project website http://fdmt.iwlearn.org/resources/videos or though the <u>youtube channel</u>.



The Water Safety Planning application helps water utilities with documentation and development of their WSP

News



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Collaboration meeting to promote use of FDMT web portal held at Department of Agricultural Extension in Thailand. <u>Read</u> <u>more...</u>

8th World Water Forum in Brasilia



The FDMT project took part in a session on hydro-climatic risk at the <u>8th World Water Forum</u> in Brasilia. The session included discussions on advances in land and water use management strategies for reducing risks and lessons learned from communities across the globe. Two panels were convened, the first on planning for resilience: tools and methodologies for coupled land and water management, and the second on strategies and initiatives in response to hydro-climatic risks. The session concluded that:

- Flood management should be incorporated in urban planning for long-term sustainability
- Capacity building is essential to improve awareness on water needs and the way forward
- There is a growing need to reduce attention to grey infrastructure and maximise nature based solutions
- Stronger science-policy interface is needed
- More useful data needs to be collected to predict and respond effectively to current disasters
- An apprriate environment is required that endorses the above points

The key outputs of the session will be used to inform project's strategic recommendations.

Events

The FDMT project is looking for opportunities to promote project outputs and engage with key stakeholders. A series of technical training are organized with key stakeholders to test the technical applications and receive feedback to inform the development of the functionality. The last training was held in Bangkok, Thailand between November 27th and December 1st 2017, with technical staff from basin level and national organisations and water utilities.



Regional workshop on preparation and financing Integrated Flood Management (IFM) projects held in November 20th - 24th 2017 in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. <u>Read more...</u>



The 19th AfWA Congress held in Bamako, Mail from 11 to 16 February 2018, demonstrated Africa's continued commitment to 'accelerate access to sanitation and water for all in Africa amidst the challenges of climate change'. With climate change as an ongoing threat to water and sanitation services. Read more...



The FDMT project took part in a meeting at the Hydro and AgroInformatics Institute (HAII) hosting the Thai Minister of Science and Technology. The meeting was an opportunity to present the project at the highest level in Thailand and demonstrate the added value to water management in the country. <u>Read more...</u> basins for basin organisations and catchment organisation, and water utilities separately.

Utility training

- Volta Basin: April 11th-13th, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
- Volta Basin: April 16th-18th, Accra, Ghana
- Lake Victoria Basin: May 8th-10th, Kisumu, Kenya
- Chao Phraya Basin: June 18th-20th, Bangkok, Thailand

More information will be available on the project website.



Want to register to the Flood and Drought Portal?. Watch this <u>how-to-video</u> for guidance.

Contribute to the next FDMT newsletter

The FDMT project releases every 2-3 month a newsletter providing an update on the project and highlighting your initiatives, projects, programmes and events. The next newsletter will be released in June/July. We welcome your contribution showcasing the work you are doing in the water sector to help improve water resources management in your basin, or highlighting the work other basin stakeholders are undertaking to make a different in the improvement of water resources conservation. We look forward to any contributions you wish to share. Please share your contribution with Raul Glotzbach (Raul.Glotzbach@iwahq.org).

Previous editions of the FDMT newsletter are available on the project website: <u>fdmt.iwlearn.org/docs/newsletters</u>.

Other business

The FDMT project kindly request any relevant news items or blog postings as well as additional communication material for the project to communicate. These do not need to be linked to the FDMT project.

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