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# A Global Partnership for IWRM\*

## Making Water Knowledge Work

The Global Water Partnership is a global action network with a mission to support countries with sustainable management of their water resources worldwide. Created in 1996, the network spans over 65 countries in 13 regions, with its secretariat located in Stockholm, Sweden.

Through the work of its water partnerships at global, regional and national levels GWP facilitates the processes for change by encouraging all those involved in water to work together towards more sustainable water resources development, management and use. To support this process GWP and its partners create and disseminate knowledge on integrated water resources management (IWRM).

\*IWRM (Integrated Water Resource Management) is a process that promotes the coordinated development and management of water, land and related resources in order to maximise the resultant economic and social welfare in an equitable manner without compromising the sustainability of vital ecosystems.



### MEMBERSHIP

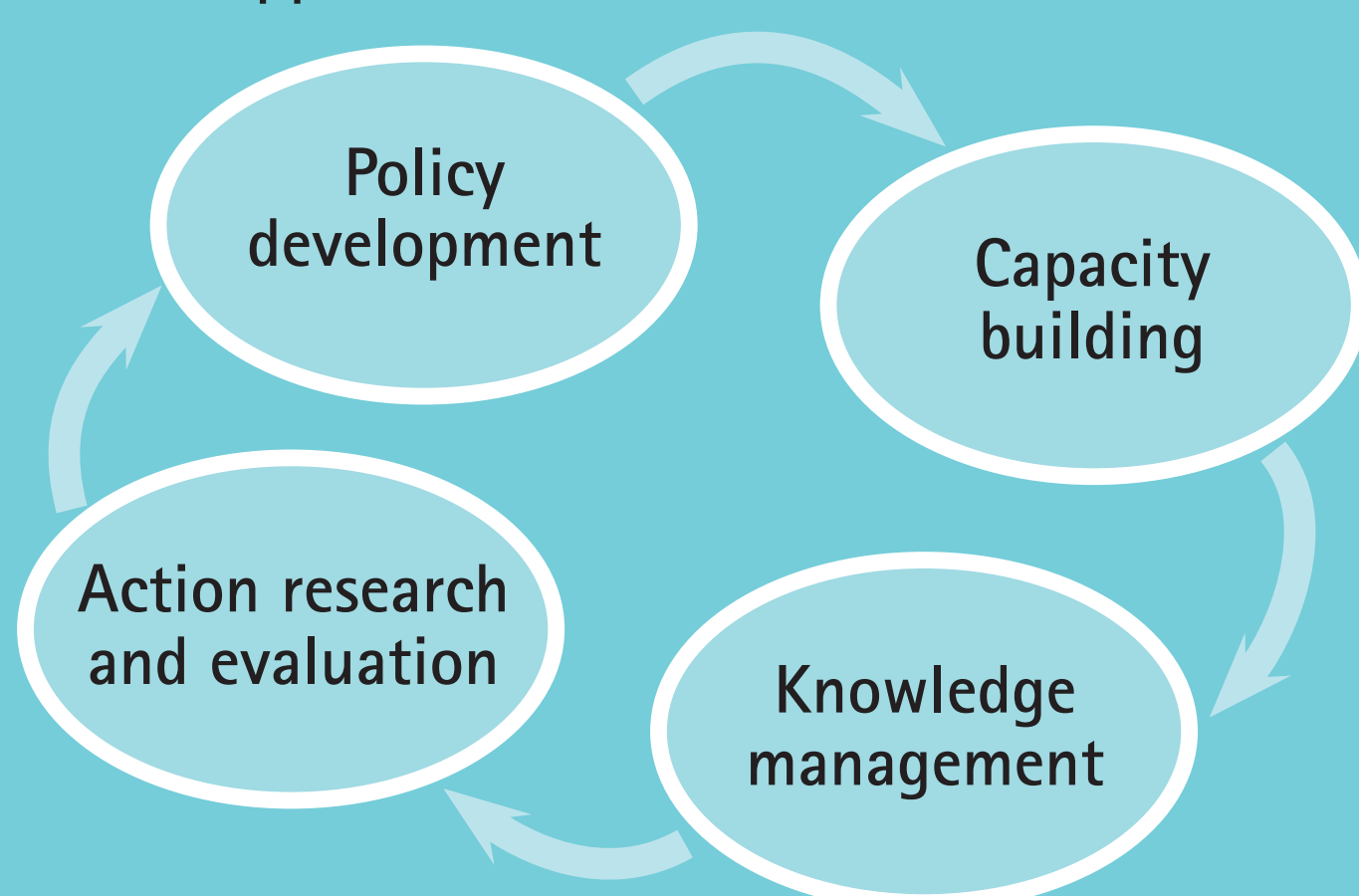
Any entity, except individuals, that recognizes and upholds the principles of integrated resources management may become a partner in the network. Application forms are available on the GWP website.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

GWP receives financial support from donors including the governments of Canada, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

### GWP activities

GWP makes water knowledge work through its support for



### Key achievements exemplified by

Established a global network of multi-sectoral partnerships around the world advocating for the adoption and implementation of integrated water resources management (IWRM) for sustainable development.

Defined the scope of IWRM and created the IWRM ToolBox as an instrument to support knowledge exchange on IWRM approaches towards sustainable water resources development, management and use.

Based on the outcomes of regional dialogues organized by GWP regional partnerships, GWP published the *Framework for Action* – the strategic approach required to achieve the 'Vision for Water in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century'.

Facilitated national processes in 14 countries, largely in Africa, to prepare IWRM plans in response to the World Summit for Sustainable Development call for all countries to prepare these plans by 2005.