

# COUNCIL OF MINISTERS ON WATER SECURITY IN ASIA- PACIFIC (COMWAP)



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# Recent developments

- APWF Secretariat in cooperation with ADB and UNESCAP convened a Ministerial Session for Asia-Pacific focusing on Ministers for Water Security Initiative at WWF-5.
  - UNESCAP initiated actions to build on the Ministers for Water Security Initiative aiming at convening a High-level official meeting to examine mechanisms to operationalize the Initiative in Bangkok from 27 to 29 Oct 2009
- United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific



# Synergy in Preparing for the High-level October Meeting

- Efforts being made to link KRA4, Post IYS-2008, MCED-6 (SOE-2010) and SEAWF-4.
- A brainstorming meeting on IWRM, MDG and water security is now planned to be held in Bangkok (23-24 July 09) by UNESCAP in cooperation with GWP, IUCN, FAO, UNEP and others
- Several Ministers have been approached to take part in the October Meeting



# Synergy in Preparing for the High-level October Meeting (2)

- Efforts being made to initiate pilot projects on KRA4 to support the October Meeting: improvement in water resources database (AquaStat), monitoring of investment.
- Discussion was made to link the October Meeting to SEAWF-4 to be held in 2010 with specific focuses for decision making
- Other possibilities are being studied



# Preparation of the High-level October Meeting

- Two consultants are being recruited by UNESCAP to prepare for the October Meeting. A third consultant is expected to be recruited soon.
- The first consultant will focus on IWRM, MDGs and water security. The second on possible mechanisms and modus-operandi of CoMWAP and existing models of monitoring of investment. The third on progress IWRM achievement in the region.





# Thank You

