



# Asia-Pacific Water Forum

## Key Result Area 1: DEVELOPING KNOWLEDGE & LESSONS



### Objectives

- KRA 1 seeks to develop knowledge and share lessons within the APWF
- Main activities of KRA 1:
  - Building a network of water knowledge hubs
  - Coordinating capacity development program
  - Providing guidance on water policies

### UNESCO/WWAP

- PUB welcomes UNESCO/WWAP to join in KRA 1
- WWAP is the UN wide programme under the lead of UNESCO monitoring the MGDs and other targets.
- WWAP issues the triennial World Water Development Report and developed case studies in the Asia Pacific region
- UNESCO is also offering to facilitate linkage with UNESCO's International Hydrological Programme (IHP) regional network, which includes IHP National Committees, UNESCO field offices and Water Related Centers

### Proposed Activities

- PUB offering WaterHub as a knowledge hub for the APWF. WaterHub brings technology, learning and networking under one roof.
- WaterHub a premier centre for R&D.
- It is also delivers a range of structured programmes to raise the professionalism in the water industry.
- Target for knowledge products --- governments, private sector, civil society and water sector organizations

### Proposed Workplan

- WaterHub is already scheduled to organise the following training courses, which can be parked under KRA 1.
  - Funded by Singapore
    - Senior Management Workshop in Integrated Water Resources Management – The Singapore Experience
    - 24/7 Water Supply and Distribution Management
    - Used Water Management
    - Integrated Water and Wastewater Management
  - Joint funding between Singapore and ADB under ATRIUM
    - Singapore-ADB Urban Management Forum for Chinese Policy Makers
    - Singapore-ADB Forum on Urban Management for Indian Policy Makers

### Proposed Workplan

If further funding is available:

- WaterHub can organise additional capacity building programmes (e.g. IWRM or PPP workshop)
- WaterHub and WWAP could also organise a case study workshop to share challenges and lessons learnt from previous WWAP case studies.

## Conclusion

- Building up of the knowledge base of the region is a collective effort.
- PUB also welcomes collaboration with other interested in contributing to KRA 1.
- As lead organisation, Singapore is offering WaterHub to share best practices with the region and beyond. UNESCO is offering support to the KH by sharing WWAP case studies and facilitating linkage with IHP regional network.
- Through WaterHub and other potential knowledge hubs, we will build a network of hubs to allow region to better manage their water.

