



Good Practices in National Water Reforms and Regional Cooperation

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Some Important Barriers

- Difficulties in coordination among water-related agencies cause a continuation of fragmented approaches to reforms and investment priorities
- Improving the enabling environment for water investments needs national leadership in the governance of water services and resources
- Regional exchange of knowledge needs to serve the practical needs of water organizations and help improve their performance

Solution Strategy 1: Provide National Leadership to Water Governance through a National Water Apex Body

Good Practices

- Anchor the national water apex body to an independent national planning or environment agency
- Choose (deputy) prime minister to chair the apex body
- Invest in capable secretariat of the apex body recognized in legislation or regulation

Solution Strategy 2: Improve the Enabling Environment for Water Reforms, Investments, Capacity Development

Good Practices

- Involve the Ministry of Finance and National Planning Agency
- Update water legislation (implementation or wholesale)
- Invest in public awareness

Solution Strategy 3: Participate in Regional Networking to Improve Performance of Important Water Organizations

Good Practices

- Engage in separate networks for key water organizations
- Introduce performance benchmarking service supported by a peer review process
- Contribute to a network of knowledge hubs

Summary

Good practices

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- Involve ministry of finance and national planning agency in improving the enabling environment
- Update water legislation (implementation or wholesale)
- Engage in regional networks for key water organizations
- Introduce performance benchmarking service and peer review process for key water organizations
- Contribute to regional network of knowledge hubs