WIN

The Water Integrity Network:

Forming a Network to Combat Corruption in the Water Sector
WHY DO WE NEED TO FIGHT CORRUPTION IN THE WATER SECTOR?

Today’s workshop has clearly shown why!

• Corruption affects the governance of water, deciding who gets what water resources and services when, where, and how. It also affects how costs and benefits are distributed between individuals, society and the environment.

• The adverse development impacts of corruption are disproportionately borne by poor people since it reduces economic development, diverts revenues and misallocates both monetary and natural resources.

• Corruption stunts water development and will make it much harder and more costly to reach the MDGs on poverty, water supply and sanitation services and environmental sustainability.
WHY DO WE NEED THE WIN?

• A consensus is gathering force amongst policy makers and practitioners that a key to sustainable development is addressing corruption in the water sector.

• Because of the pervasiveness and long-standing nature of corruption in the water sector, it was felt that setting up a coalition/network is an effective way to raise awareness and facilitate effective actions on the ground.

• WIN can mobilize local, national and international actors.

• WIN can promote and facilitate anti-corruption activities.
WIN MISSION STATEMENT

- The Water Integrity Network, WIN, Aims to Fight Corruption in Water Worldwide to Reduce Poverty

- The WIN is an Open and Inclusive Global Network that Promotes Anti-corruption Activities and Coalition-building at Local, Regional and Global Levels between Actors from Civil Society, Private and Public Sectors, Media and Governments.

- The WIN is Committed to Accountability, Transparency, Integrity, Honesty and Mutual Support and Knowledge Exchange among the Members.

- Corruption in WRM and WSS services has not yet been systematically monitored, analyzed or addressed.
WIN MISSION STATEMENT (CONTD.)

Reduction of Corruption in Water Worldwide will Require the Establishment and Functioning of Local, National and International Coalitions.
DETAILED OBJECTIVES OF THE NETWORK

These include:

- Promote awareness and understanding of corruption issues related to water;

- Improve the information and knowledge base and disseminate effective anti-corruption information, methodologies and best practices relevant for organizations working in water;

- Support practical actions to fight corruption in water;

- Develop monitoring mechanisms relating to corruption in water; and

- Encourage governments, civil society, private sector and all other interested parties to coordinate and work together against corruption in water
SCOPE OF THE NETWORK

- Establish appropriate balance between advocacy work and concrete action

- Network will cover all aspects of water including water supply and sanitation and water resources management

- Since corruption is a global phenomenon, the network is worldwide
SCOPE OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

• Advocacy and Awareness
  ➢ media campaigns
  ➢ access to information

• Knowledge Building and Dissemination
  ➢ Corruption Monitoring/Ranking Activities
  ➢ Global Corruption Report (GCR) 2008 featuring the Water Sector
    ✓ GCR to be launched at International Conference on Combating Corruption
  ➢ Application and implementation of anti-corruption tools and methodologies
    ➢ International conventions
    ✓ National public sector reforms
    ➢ Localized activities (integrity pacts, codes of conduct, business principles, report cards, participatory budgeting)
    ➢ Developing best practice ‘tool kits’
SCOPE OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES (CONTD.)

• Knowledge Building and Dissemination (Contd.)
  - Research, diagnose and assess corruption in water and the effectiveness of various anti-corruption measures
  - Manage a Network ‘Home Page’

• Capacity Building
  - E.g. workshops to strengthen anti-corruption monitoring by civil society, private businesses, public agencies and citizens related to for example decentralization

• Support for Start Up Activities by Network Members
  - Activities to be Undertaken Primarily by Southern NGOs
MEMBERSHIP OF THE NETWORK
INCLUSIVITY

- Governments
- Utilities
- Regulators
- Private Sector
- Donor Community
- Civil Society Organizations
- Water and Sanitation Program (WSP)
- Policy Advice Organizations; Agencies of the UN and Regional Bodies
- Universities and Research Organizations
- Individuals
NETWORK GOVERNANCE

• The Network is under the leadership of a multi-stakeholder Steering Committee (SC), elected by the members.
  ➢ The SC supports and promotes network activities, including deciding the plans and priorities of the WIN-Secretariat

• The WIN Secretariat will be Hosted in the Secretariat of Transparency International Berlin
  ➢ It will serve Network members and support, promote and coordinate anti-corruption coalition-building, actions and enhanced knowledge on corruption in water

• The most important contribution to the Network will be anti-corruption activities that Network members already are implementing on their own account or activities they are planning to implement.

• Members may over time form National, Regional and Thematic Groups

• The founding members of the Network consist of International Water and Sanitation Centre (IRC), Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), Swedish Water House (SWH), Transparency International (TI), Water and Sanitation Programme (WSP) and Individual Members.

• Three new ISC members: AquaFed, Dr. Antonio Tujan Jr. (IBON) and UNICEF

• Dr. Håkan Tropp, SIWI, was elected the first chair of the WIN
Your participation in the WIN will make the difference!

For more information on WIN see: [www.waterintegritynetwork.net](http://www.waterintegritynetwork.net)

The TI Global Corruption Report (GCR) 2008 will focus on water

Finally

No rush. They still have 7 more workshops to go.

Corruption = Authority + Monopoly - Transparency