



# **A Cap-Net Regional Network for Capacity Development in Sustainable Water Management hosted by UN ESCWA**

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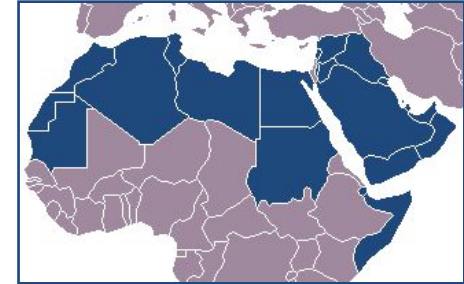
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Who we are

The Arab Integrated Water Resources Management Network (AWARENET) is an **independent, impartial regional network of training and research institutes, NGOs, government authorities and experts** in the field of water, engaged in the **development and delivery of capacity development programs and resource material** on Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) policies and practices for the Arab region.

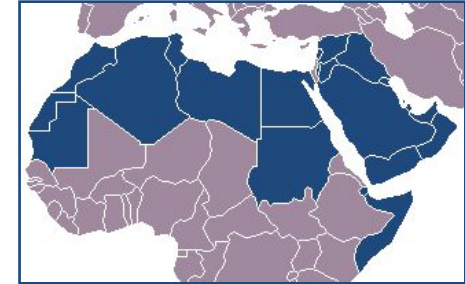


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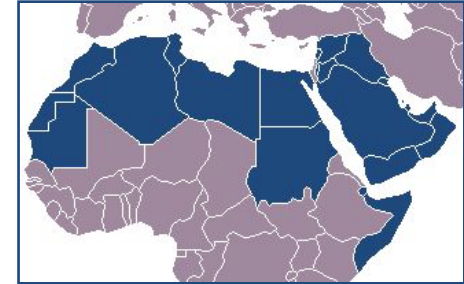
Objectives

The main objective of the network is to **provide the public with better water and sanitation services, protect precious water resources and the environment, and promote socio-economically constructive uses of water** by improving the implementation of IWRM concepts in the countries of the Arab region.



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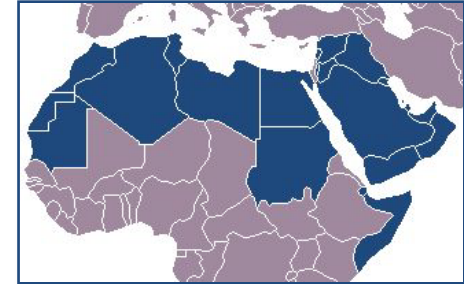
AWARENET in cooperation with its partners such as Cap-Net, UN ESCWA and others **offers training-of-trainers (ToT) and general training courses** on themes of relevance to sustainable water management at Arab regional, sub-regional and national level.



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Issues addressed today include among others IWRM courses, methodologies for water footprint assessments, water governance and integrity.

Together with Cap-Net, its global partners and regional networks AWARENET provides its members opportunities to **interact with other initiatives for capacity development worldwide.**



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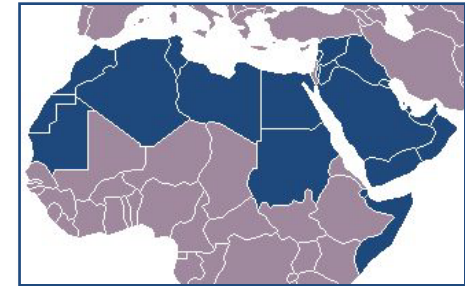
AWARENET today has about **300 institutional and individual members from the Arab region and beyond.** For specific topics **time bound Working Groups** have been set up to allow for direct interaction between members with interests in these areas (today: Climate Change and Water Governance).

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Working  
Group on  
Climate  
Change

Chair:  
to be renewed,  
Deputy Chair:  
to be renewed

The **AWARENET Working Group on Climate Change (WG-CC)** was initially set up in **July 2009** to address issues related to capacity development on water and climate change.



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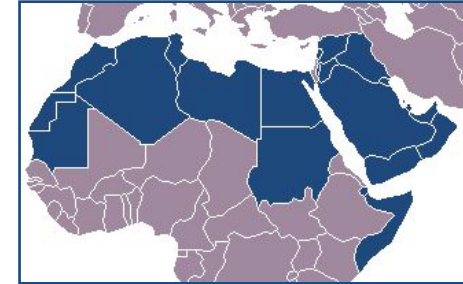
In the course of the work of the on-going UN ESCWA led Regional Initiative for the Assessment of Climate Change Impacts on Water Resources and Socio-Economic Vulnerability in the Arab Region (RICCAR) it is envisaged to restart the WG-CC in 2014.

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Working  
Group on  
Water  
Governance

Chair:  
Dr. A Tamimi,  
Deputy Chair:  
Mr. AA Torrey

The **AWARENET Working Group on Water Governance (WG-WG)** started in March 2014 to coordinate activities among interested AWARENET network members. WG members elected for one year, until March 2015 a Chair and Deputy Chair. Today nearly 50 AWARENET members are engaged in this WG.



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The WG agreed on a one year work plan that intends to

- Promote member dialogue on water governance and water integrity and support the SIWI Water Integrity Capacity Building Programme in MENA (WI-MENA),
- Apply findings of post-2015 report on global goal for water,
- Develop and implement a communication plan,
- Develop tools to enhance capacity of regional water governance, and
- Cooperate with IUCN on approaches to water governance.

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Training  
Course

Water  
Footprint  
Assessment



## Training Course: Water Footprint Awareness Raising for GCC and Arab Countries

Promoting Integrated Water Resources Management in the Arab Region  
*Seeb / Muscat, Oman, 19 October 2014*

### INTRODUCTION

AWARENET, the Arab Integrated Water Resources Management Network, a Cap-Net Regional Network for Capacity Development in Sustainable Water Management hosted by UN ESCWA, jointly with Oman Water Society (OWS), Water Science and Technology Association (WSTA), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA), Cap-Net UNDP, Ministry of Municipalities and Water Resources (MRMWR), Oman and Public Authority for Electricity & Water (PAEW), Oman are offering a **Training Course “Water Footprint Awareness Raising for GCC and Arab Countries”** that is designed for professionals in the water and environmental sectors in countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and Arab countries interested to learn about water footprint assessments for their daily practice.





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Training  
Course

Training of  
Trainers

Studies -  
Pilots

Water  
Footprint  
Assessment

Water Integrity

Human Rights  
Based  
Approach

Managed  
Aquifer  
Recharge

Constructed  
Wetlands

WW / Grey  
Water Reuse

GIS GW Maps  
for Decision  
Making

Water – Energy  
Efficiency

The Water SDG

Produced  
Water

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