

# Water Integrity Capacity Building Programme

Middle East North Africa

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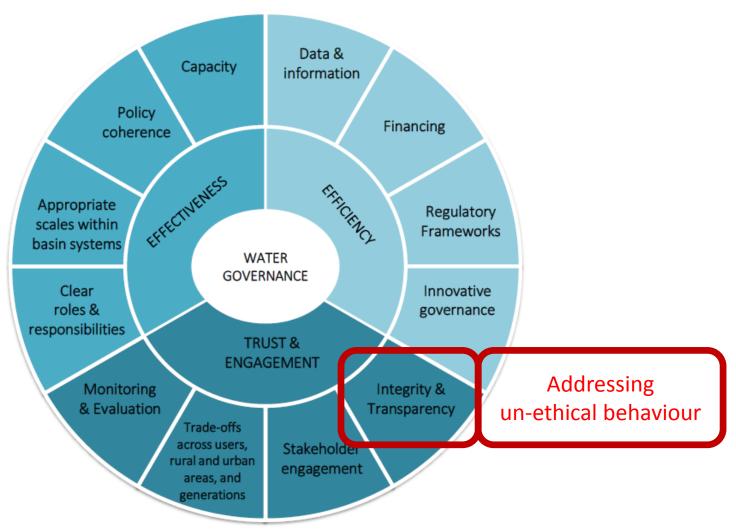






### Water Integrity – Cornerstone to good governance

#### Overview of OECD Principles on Water Governance



## Definition of Water Integrity



The adherence of stakeholders and institutions in WRM / WSP to

governance principles

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Transparency,

Accountability, and

Participation,

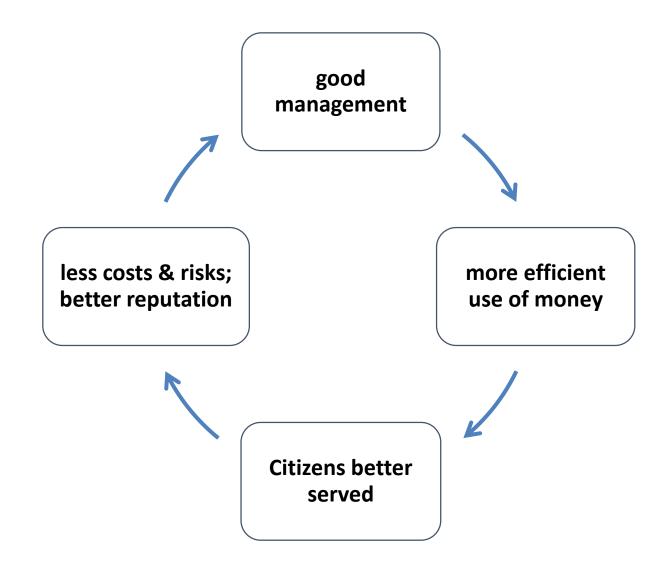
based on core values of

honesty,

equity and

professionalism.

# A virtuous cycle



# Capacity Building Programme on Water Integrity in MENA 2014 - 2017



#### **Pilot Countries**

Jordan

Lebanon

Morocco

**Palestine** 

**Tunisia** 



#### Water Integrity risk assessment in MENA

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• Governance ruling elite:

• Excessive r

• 'New' (and ser Water Integrity in the Middle East and North Africa region

Synthesis report of Water Integrity Risk Assessments in Jordan, Lebanon,



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### Capacity Building:

- 450 persons
- 103 action plan under mentoring







POLICY BRIEF

#### Water integrity risks in the MENA Region - Priorities for action

National assessments conducted in Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Morocco clearly show that each face integrity risks and share a number of common challenges. This brief offers insights for policy makers on the priority areas to support capacity development to enhance integrity and improve water capacity development to entiance integrity and improve water governance in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) Region.

Water scarcity in the MENA region is not only a result of a water scarcisy in the MELYO region is not only a result of a physical shortage, but is also linked to lack of good governance. physical singrege, our is also under to tack or good governance structures, high demand, and low levels of trust between differstructures, righ demand, and tow levels of trust between different ent parties sharing the same resource. Institutional integrity the parties susming the same resource. Historical integrity the adhrence to governance principles of transparency, accountthe aunerence to governance principles or transparency, account-ability, and participation, based on core values of honesty, equity anuty, and participation, based on core values of nonesty, equiry and professionalism — is critical to ensure effective governance and processionatum — is critical to ensure encurve governate of water, but is often lacking in MENA countries. This poses or water, but is often facking in MILNA countries. Into poses itselfs to human dignity and health, stunts economic growth and slows needed investments going into the water sector. Targeted sections to reduce water integrity risks are needed across the actions to reduce water integrity rules are needed across the region, the following recommendations point out where to start.

### y recommendations Evaluate water governance processes at the national level to

- Evaluate water governance processes at the national feet to identify inefficiencies, excessive bureaucracy and accountations. onny gaps.

  2. Propose measures to streamline bureaucracy to improve Propose measures to streamine oureaccacy to improve efficiency, reduce accountability gaps and improve defini-
- tion of roles between authorities based upon the evaluations proposed above.
  Form independent agencies to regulate, monitor and when interpretations of egunics to regulate, monitor and overtice integrity, transparency and accountability in water integrity.
  - Harmonize legal frameworks to clearly delineate roles and mandates of the different agencies, ministries and government bodies in the implementation of laws to avoid overla
  - and clarify any confusion over responsibilities. 5. Carry out comprehensive accountability assessments per Carry out comprehensive accountainity assessments per, odically to provide the basis for action plans at the local

national level.

Invest in capacity building with the proper institutions to invest in capacity building with the proper institutions to establish and oversee fair, transparent and robust tendering establish and oversee fair, transparent and robust tendering procedures in the water sector. This includes special training Processors of make secus, this meanes special training outside for jurists and legislators on water related integrity course.

risks. Invest in Corporate Governance development of water nanaging institutions. Integrity Management Plans aiming managing institutions. Integrity Management Plans aimin at cusuring impartially as a core value in all management at ensuring impartially as a core value in all management processes should be enacted inline with capacity developreventions. Impartiality and fair treatment should

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and Ministry of Local Govern

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Regional decision makers UfM - Union for the Mediterranean LAS - League of Arab States









POLICY BRIEF

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this is because the articles on water factions on Human Resources Management | One tisk at unclear requirements for capacity development. The return in displication of offers and watergo of time and money. Critical control for the control of the c At the operational level a lack of suffici At the operational acres a sac also affect the overall perfort concents annualised genera composition and milies in the water sector. A third area of risk co Procurement and Tendering | One; the tree transact saint systems are constant and agree for domestic tree there should be a fixed admit in short source for should be a fixed admit species as the standard section of the short source of the in the tariff system for the different admir acoustic or comprehensive planning residut to pricing and and wastewater management lead to fower levels of enforce most. This inclinates, management lead to fower levels of enforce and wasterouser management lead to lower levels of entors ment. This indirectly undermines the trust between the st





#### Conclusions

- A solution to Non-Revenue Water
- Key to Sustainable Development and Good Governance (ex. NRW)
- No national agendas on water governance

- Strong commitment from individuals
- Increasing requests from institutions
- -> potential: Nat. COLLECTIVE Action

#### **SAVE-THE-DATE**

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conference

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Shukran Merci Thank you

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