

# Stockholm International Water Institute



Independent and Leading-Edge Water  
Competence for Future-Oriented Action

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The Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) is a policy institute whose diverse internationally-oriented programmes and activities contribute to finding sustainable solutions to the world's escalating water crisis. SIWI manages projects, synthesises research and publishes findings and recommendations on current and future water, environment, governance and human development issues. SIWI serves as a platform for knowledge sharing and networking between the scientific, business, policy and civil society communities. SIWI builds professional capacity and understanding of the links between water-society-environment-economy.



In all of its work, SIWI advocates future-oriented, knowledge-integrated water views in decision making, both nationally and internationally, that lead to sustainable use of the world's water resources, sustainable development of societies and reduced poverty. SIWI stresses that water is a key to socio-economic development and quality of life, and that through Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) barriers which hinder increased food production, drinking water availability, sanitation coverage, health advances, pollution prevention and poverty reduction can be overcome.

By creating opportunities for dialogue and collaboration between water experts and decision-makers, SIWI stimulates the development of innovative policies and scientifically based solutions to water-related problems.





## World Water Week in Stockholm

SIWI is the host and arranger of the World Water Week in Stockholm, the leading annual global meeting place for capacity-building, partnership-building and follow-up on the implementation of international processes and programmes in water and development. As an open platform for over 2,000 participants, including key decision-makers and more than 200 collaborating organisations, the conference promotes the exchange of views and experiences between the scientific, business, policy and civil society communities, thereby advancing the water, environment, health, livelihood and poverty reduction agendas. SIWI invites collaborating organisations to integrate the World Water Week as a key time to discuss, review and assess their activities, launch new initiatives and reports and hold flagship sessions to bring forth their work to a global audience.

Each year, the World Water Week follows a different over-arching theme and several sub-themes to focus and link together efforts on critical water and development challenges. The conclusions reached during the sessions and messages delivered throughout the World Water Week help influence and guide decision-makers and water sector leaders to make sustainable, attainable and positive improvements in water and development policy. Learn more about World Water Week at [www.worldwaterweek.org](http://www.worldwaterweek.org).

**WORLD**  
in Stockholm **WATER**  
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# Prizes and Awards



The Stockholm Water Foundation was established in 1990 to encourage research and development of the world's water environment by awarding the Stockholm Water Prize. Later, the Foundation also established the Stockholm Junior Water Prize and the Stockholm Industry Water Award.

The Stockholm Water prize has been presented annually since 1991 to individuals, institutions or organisations for outstanding achievements in water-related activities. It includes a USD 150,000 award and a crystal sculpture. H.M. King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden is the Patron of the prize.

The Stockholm Junior Water Prize was established in 1997 and is an annual competition open to young people between the age of 15 and 20, who have conducted water-related projects. It includes a USD 5,000 award and a crystal sculpture. H.R.H. Crown Princess Victoria of Sweden is the Patron of the prize.



The Stockholm Industry Water Award, established in 2000 in co-operation with The Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, is presented annually and honours and encourages business sector contributions to sustainable development in the water sector.



The Swedish Baltic Sea Water Award was established in 1999 by Sweden's Ministry for Foreign Affairs, as an appreciation for what individuals, corporations, non-governmental organisations and municipalities have done to help improve the Baltic Sea's water environment.

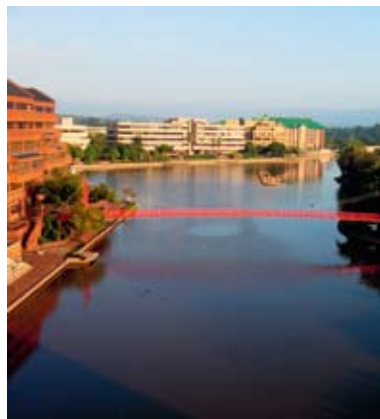
Stockholm International Water Institute administers all the prizes and awards and serves as its secretariat.

# SIWI Programmes

SIWI Programmes support multi-sector and multi-country water management and development initiatives worldwide. These programmes help clients improve their decisions and logistic plans related to water, land and sustainable development.

SIWI Programmes have three focal areas:

1. **Applied Research** – SIWI conducts original research in water-related areas such as food, trade, bio-energy, transboundary issues, global public goods, conflict and co-operation, governance and Information and Communication Technologies (ICT).
2. **Advisory services** – SIWI applies new thinking developed through research to support decision-making at the international and the national levels in developed and developing countries. Services include process facilitation, investment support, and development of applications. Through Regional Water Intelligence (RWI) SIWI Programmes help clients understand how water affects wider political economies.
3. **Capacity building** – SIWI expands knowledge, strengthens networks, and improves processes for sustainable water management in developing and developed countries. It builds water sector capacity through international training programmes in Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) and Transboundary Water Management (TWM), the World Water Week in Stockholm, and a range of specific dedicated services.



# Water Governance Facility

The UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI works to improve water governance reform and implementation. The programme is developed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) and funded by UNDP and Sida. It provides policy support and advice to government agencies, civil society organisations and other stakeholders in developing countries to improve water governance and advance socially equitable, environmentally sustainable and economically efficient management of water resources.



The facility operates in multiple thematic areas, including: integrated water resources management, transboundary waters, water supply and sanitation, climate variability, gender, and capacity building.

Learn more about UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI at [www.watgovernance.org](http://www.watgovernance.org).





## Swedish Water House

The Swedish Water House, administered by SIWI, is a government-funded initiative that promotes network building among Sweden-based, internationally oriented academic institutions, consultants, government agencies, NGOs, research institutes and other stakeholders interested in sharing water knowledge and expertise amongst themselves and with the global community. Through the work of its cluster groups and network partners, the Swedish Water House is involved in a wide array of activities to strengthen the links between research, policy, and practice and mobilise Swedish competencies for an increased involvement in international water issues.

Learn more about Swedish Water House at:  
[www.swedishwaterhouse.se](http://www.swedishwaterhouse.se).



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