About WaterNet

New concepts and tools for education and capacity building to achieve the MDG’s

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WaterNet in a Nutshell

- Capacity building network in IWRM
- Founded in 1999
- A strategic programme of the SADC Water Sector
- Links with WA-Net and NBCBN-RE (Cap-Net partner)
- 48 member institutions from 14 countries in East and Southern Africa
## WaterNet Members

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* Indicates a new member.
WaterNet Supporting Members

SADC Water Division
GWP-SA
UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education
DGIS (Dutch government)
Sida (Swedish government)
WaterNet Core Business

• Education
  – Regional Masters programme in IWRM
• Training
  – Short professional courses
• Research
  – Challenge program for water and food (Limpopo)
  – Smallholder systems innovation (Pangani & Thukela)
  – Affiliated to the Water Research Fund for Southern Africa (WARFSA)
• Outreach
  – Annual Symposia
  – Publications
  – Intimate linkages with sector organisations
Key Phase I Outputs

- Regional Masters degree programme in IWRM
- More than 80 graduates to-date
- 200 short-course participants
- 6 regional symposia (250 papers)
- 2 regional research projects
WaterNet Funding

- Phase I 1999-2004 (€3.5 M, DGIS)
- Phase II 2005-2009 (€7.4 M, DGIS/Sida)
- Member contribution Phase II (approx €2.0M)
- Other (EU, other partners)
- Funded research
  - Challenge Program (€1.3 M)
  - Smallholder Systems innovations (€1.6 M)
  - Sustainable Sanitation Solutions for Africa (€20.0 M?)
WaterNet as a Key Partner

• A strategic programme of the SADC water sector
• Multidisciplinary membership
• Network approach
  – Improves synergy
  – Facilitates up-scaling of capacity building
  – Provides coherence
  – Improves knowledge management