



Capacity Building and Professional Development of Water Governance and Regional Development Practitioners in the Mekong, Salween and Red river basins (MK31, 32 and 33)

Fellowship Wrap-Up and Curriculum Reflection

23rd - 24th October 2017

Inya Hotel, Yangon, Myanmar

Background

The *Capacity Building and Professional Development of Water Governance and Regional Development Practitioners in the Mekong, Salween and Red river basins (MK31, 32 and 33)* project has worked to strengthen the capacity for undertaking research and policy engagement of scholars and practitioners of water, land and energy use, management and governance in the Red, Mekong and Salween river basins. A particular cross-cutting focus of the project is research on gender and other forms of social marginalization. It has also sought to build a learning community amongst these scholars and practitioners.

During phase 1 of the project during 2015 and 2016, 38 fellows undertook research, joined three workshops about research design, fieldwork and writing, and produced: two blogs; a research report; a conference paper; and a policy brief. They also joined two Greater Mekong Forums on Food Water and Energy in 2015 in Phnom Penh and 2016 in Bangkok. Furthermore, the fellows presented their research at the *International Conference on the Mekong, Salween and Red Rivers: Sharing Knowledge and Perspectives Across Borders* at the Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University in November 2016. In phase 2, selected fellows (8 per basin) were further supported to contribute either a book chapter or journal paper for publication.

The final workshop of the fellowship program is intended to: prepare fellows for the 2018 Greater Mekong Forums on Food Water and Energy; gather input on key water topics regarding a future curriculum; and provide a wrap-up for the fellows and gather feedback for the project.

Workshop objectives

Day 1:

- To prepare fellows for the WLE Forum on 25-27 October

Day 2:

- To gather input on water governance, gender and water and [topic tbc] about the Mekong, Salween and Red rivers, drawing on the fellow own knowledge and experience
- To gather feedback from the fellows on the strengths, challenges, and future suggestions for the fellowship program

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Workshop agenda

Time	Topic	Lead
<i>Day 1: Monday 23rd October</i>		
FELLOWSHIP WRAP-UP AND CURRICULUM REFLECTION		
9:00 – 9:10	Welcome remarks and orientation to the two-day program	MK31-33 leads
Working session 1: State of Water Knowledge and Knowledge need reflection		
9:10 – 9:40	Presentation: Water Governance in Southeast Asia	Dr. Carl Middleton
9:40 – 10:10	Facilitated group discussion (by basin): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insights from your field research? • Future research questions? • Required materials for curriculums 	MK31-33 team leaders
10:10 – 10:30	Coffee break	
10:30 – 11:00	Presentation: Gender and Water in Southeast Asia	Dr. Kanokwan Manorom
11:00 – 11:30	Facilitated group discussion (by basin): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insights from your field research? • Future research questions? • Required materials for curriculums 	MK31-33 team leaders
11:30 – 12:00	Presentation: "River Basin-wide Integrated Disaster Risk Management for Nhue-Day River Basin".	Dr. Ha Hai Duong
12:00 – 12:30	Facilitated group discussion (by basin): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insights from your field research? • Future research questions? • Required materials for curriculums 	MK31-33 team leaders
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
Working session 2: Concluding wrap-up for fellowship program		
13:30 – 14:30	Group work: “How can knowledge production – supported through capacity building programs – better impact policy agendas?”	MK31-33 team leaders
14:30 – 15:00	Plenary report back from group work sessions (10 min per basin)	Dr. Ha Hai Duong
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break	
15:15 – 16:30	Fellowship program evaluation, including on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The curriculum • The mentorship 	MK31-33 team leaders

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your research itself Outputs (blogs; policy briefs; conference paper; reports) The international conference The WLE Forums Building a network/ cross-learning across three basins 	
16:30 – 17:00	Plenary report back from group work sessions (10 min per basin)	Dr. Carl Middleton
Day 2: Tuesday 24th October PREPARATION FOR THE WLE FORUM		
9:00 – 9:10	Welcome back	MK31-33 team leaders
Working session 3: Preparation for the WLE Forum synthesis session		
9:10 – 9:20	Introduction to session	Dr. Carl Middleton
9:20 – 10:30	<p>Group work (MK31-33). Discussion will be framed around the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What are the common emerging /new/debatable knowledge that fellows had found from their research on resource governance/social justice/related themes? What are the common themes/issues of the most significant changes that fellows had experienced from their research/ working with the next users? What are the impacts of the fellows’ research on development/improve resource governance? What are common key policies based on research the fellows’ research that have to offer to improve resource governance in Salween/Mekong/Red river basins? What capacity building that fellows have gained from the program? 	MK31-33 leads
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break	
10:45 – 11:30	Group work (MK31-33) [continued]	MK31-33 leads
11:30 – 12:00	First practice of round table discussion	Dr .Carl Middleton

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12:00 – 12:15	Group feedback	Dr. Carl Middleton
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch	
13:15 – 13:45	Second practice of round table discussion	Dr. Carl Middleton
13:45 – 14:00	Group feedback	Dr. Carl Middleton
Working session 4: Preparation for the WLE Forum poster session		
14:00 – 14:15	Reaching policy makers with your research	Robert Irven
14:15 – 14:30	Individual work preparing research “pitch”	
14:30 – 14:45	Coffee break	
14:45 – 15:45	Group work: “Pitch” practices with feedback	
Working session 5: Reporting the WLE forum and role in final plenary		
15:45 – 16:15	What will be your role?	Robert Irven
16:15 – 16:45	Practice reporting (writing a twitter post; captioning with a policy message an image for Facebook)	Robert Irven + MK31-33 leads
16:45 – 17:00	Wrap up and concluding remarks	MK31-33 leads

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