

**WATER SAFETY PLAN NETWORK FOR LATIN AMERICAN AND THE  
CARIBBEAN  
ACTION PLAN FOR 2008 - 2010**

As outlined in the Strategic Plan for 2008-2010, the four objectives of the WSP/LAC Network are 1) Advocacy; 2) Communication; 3) Research; and, 4) Implementation. The specific activities and indicators which will measure the Network's progress are listed in the tables below.

**Objective 1 (Advocacy):** The Network will directly advocate, promote and facilitate the inclusion of WSPs as part of national water strategies and the implementation of WSPs by water suppliers, environmental health authorities, watershed protection agencies and local communities across the region.

**Table 1**

Activities	Indicators
1. Members will formalize the Strategic Plan and Network Action Plan at the major policy venues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of national agreements formalized</li> <li>• # of material distributed and website hits</li> </ul>
2. Members will attend advocacy events highlighting water quality problems and WSP application to for improving the different operative levels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of events organized</li> </ul>
3. The Network will organise advocacy events at major policy venues to find a suitable legal frame.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of events organised</li> <li>• # of attendees to WSP events</li> <li>• # of press releases</li> </ul>
4. The Network will aim to establish new partnerships with national, regional and international organisations/institutions committed to improving the safety of drinking water in the region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of new partnerships formed</li> <li>• Types of new partnerships formed (ex/suppliers, ex/regulators ex ADERASA), etc.</li> </ul>
5. The Network will seek additional funding for agreed upon Network activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amount of money raised</li> <li>• # of research projects funded (through Network or independently)</li> <li>• # of implementation projects funded (through Network or independently)</li> </ul>

**Objective 2 (Communication):** The Network will be a forum and vehicle to actively share information on WSPs within the region and also to facilitate knowledge transfer pertaining to WSPs across regions.

**Table 2**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
1. The Network will establish a multilingual web site in order to effectively share information on WSPs as well as other activities relevant to Network Members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Web site up as soon as possible and build over time (target by October 2008)</li> <li>• Web site updated quarterly</li> <li>• # web site hits</li> <li>• # of contributions/updates per Member</li> <li>• # of web-based information requests and timeliness of response</li> </ul>
2. The Network will prepare a biannual newsletter to provide updates and seek ways to push the newsletter to stakeholders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biannual newsletter</li> <li>• # newsletters distributed electronically and by hard copy</li> </ul>
3. The Network will share experience, expertise and recent developments at professional meetings, lectures, consultancies, and in print media.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of presentations</li> <li>• # of lectures</li> <li>• # of publications</li> <li>• # of consultancies</li> </ul>
4. The Network members will share experiences with each other via regular web-based workshops. They will be responsible for disseminating the Network information within the country.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of web-based workshops</li> </ul>

**Objective 3 (Research):** The Network will support and promote research by academic and other institutions to evaluate interventions on issues related to WSP implementation. The Network will do so by influencing others to do research and share data with the Network which will help disseminate the information through it's website and members.

**Table 3**

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
1. The Network will identify and engage research institutions in the region currently working on and interested in WSPs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of joint research agreements established</li> <li>• # of joint research projects initiated</li> <li>• # of joint research projects completed</li> <li>• # of jointly authored, peer-</li> </ul>

	reviewed publications
2. The Network will identify critical knowledge gaps and coordinate a common research agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common research platform developed</li> </ul>
3. The Network will conduct research and report results in peer-reviewed publications.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of research studies completed</li> <li>• # of research projects published in peer-reviewed publications</li> <li>• # of research projects supported</li> <li>• Amount invested in research and development</li> </ul>

**Objective 4 (Implementation):** The Network will strive to empower those responsible for drinking water provision and environmental public health to implement WSPs through the provision of tools and resources and the organisation of capacity building workshops. Furthermore, the Network will aim to provide institutional back-stopping at a national level through developing the capacities of training institutes to support long-term training needs within their respective countries.

**Table 4**

Activities	Indicators
1. The Network will organise capacity building/training workshops for water suppliers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of workshops organised</li> </ul>
2. The Network will identify and organise capacity building workshops for training institutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of training institutes identified</li> <li>• # of workshops organised</li> </ul>
3. Network Members will document and publish case studies and other relevant outcomes of their WSP implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of case studies published</li> </ul>
4. The Network will collect, customize and develop tools to support implementation of WSPs. All tools will be verified before adding to the Network website and WSPortal.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of tools contributed to WSPortal</li> </ul>
5. The Network will track WSPs being developed and implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• # of WSP completed</li> <li>• # of water suppliers who have made improvements based on WSPs</li> </ul>

## FINANCES

### Initial Estimate and Cost Breakdown - Year 1

Item	Cost \$(US)
Coordinator Salary	50 k
Coordinator Travel, Accommodation, Subsistence etc	15 k
Network Meeting	30 k
Resource Development and Misc.	15 k
<b>Total</b>	<b>110 k</b>

### Funding – Year 1

Item	Contribution \$(US)
IWA	50 k <sup>1</sup>
USEPA/CDC	60 k
<b>Total</b>	<b>110 k</b>

### Initial Estimate and Cost Breakdown - Year 2

Item	Cost \$(US)
Coordinator Salary	50 k
Coordinator Travel, Accommodation, Subsistence etc	10 k
<b>Total</b>	<b>60 k</b>

### Funding – Year 2

Item	Contribution \$(US)
IWA	60 k
<b>Total</b>	<b>60 k</b>

## COORDINATOR PROFILE

### Competencies

The individual will be engaged in complex and innovative conceptual work. S/he will interact with utility managers, policy makers and other key stakeholders in the water sector. This will require a broad range of competencies including in particular:

- Creativity, analytical skills and capacity for synthesis
- High inter personal skills: team work, communication and listening
- Strong formal writing and presentation skills
- Record of production of high quality reports

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<sup>1</sup> Directly funding network coordinator

- Demonstrated capacity for task planning and timely delivery

Qualifications

Education: Degree(s) from well known university in Civil Engineering, Sanitary Engineering, Public Health, Management, Development Economics and /or other relevant disciplines with relevant formation related to the assignment (surveys, institutional development etc.).

Work Experience:

- A minimum of **five years** substantive professional experience, including
- Familiarity with the Latin American water sector including regional programs/initiatives.
- Demonstrated experience working with partnerships, networks or similarly organized groups
- Good understanding of the roles of key stakeholders and partners: donors, NGOs, private sector partners and academia.

Languages: Very good command of Spanish is essential. A good command of English written and spoken is a requirement.