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RIVER BASIN & DELTA MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP



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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUNDS

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| 2001-2002 | Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand
Diploma obtained: Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) on Human Resources Management Thesis: Team Development and improved performance in the Cambodia National Mekong Committee. |
| 1988-1994 | Technical University of Wood Technology and Forestry in Zvolen, Slovak Republic;
Diploma obtained: M.Sc. of Forestry Science. Thesis: Integrated Forestry Management: proposed Harvesting System in line with aspects of forestry protection and plantation for Cambodia. |
| 1984-1987 | Phnom Doun Penh High School, Phnom Penh
Secondary Certificate in General Education; |

WORKING EXPERIENCES AND RESPONSIBILITIES up to present

- (since 1st August 2009): Deputy Secretary General of Cambodia National Mekong Committee
 - (since 2005-2009) : Director of Planning Department of Cambodia National Mekong Committee: involved in natural resources management, capacity building, policy and planning and international affairs such national liaison officer/coordinator for ADB and WB Mekong IWRM Support project, and ADB 3-Ss project (Cambodia-Lao-Vietnam); MDBC and Australian Assistance through MRC and Bilateral cooperation. Organizer, facilitator and resource person in National Workshop, Consultations, Dialogues, research paper writing, regarding to gender issues, basin development planning process, integrated river basin management, watershed management and integrated water resources management, gender mainstreaming into water resources development and management.
- Major responsibilities:
- **National Gender Team Leader** for CNMC, MRC Gender Project since 1998. Enhancing the integration of Gender perspectives in IWRM implementation.
 - **National Coordinator** for Basin Development Plan (BDP) Program of MRC: Basin Development Plan Program since Phase 1 (2001-2006) and Phase 2 (2007-2010)
 - **National Coordinator** for Mekong IWRM implementation project, WB Project.
 - **National Project Director/Coordinator:** ADB PDA TA 6325: 4-Ps Basin in Kratie province, Cambodia, 2007-2008. Initiated the river basin organization and management for 4-Ps Basin located in two provinces, Kratie and Monduliri, facilitated and initiated for establishment of 4-Ps Basin Coordinating Committee for Management and Development.
 - **National Project Coordinator:** ADB TA6367 RETA for Se Kong-Se San-Sre Pok (3Ss) Basin Development Study (2008-2009).
 - **National Project Coordinator** for 4-Ps Basin Development under ADB TA6470 (2009-2010), Kratie and Monduliri Provinces, Eastern part of Cambodia. Initiated the 4-Ps Basin Development Roadmap and Investment outlines to be widely consulted by 4-Ps Basin stakeholders.
 - **National Project Coordinator** for Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management Project (MIWRMP) under the WB support, MRC Project, 2008-2010, to support the formulation of development projects based on IWRM for water resources development in Mekong Delta including national development and transboundary cooperation between Cambodia and Viet Nam and Fisheries Management for in transboundary areas between Cambodia and Lao PDR.

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Working with Global Water Partnership/Cap-Net for IWRM:

- GWP SEA Steering Committee Member for Cambodia since October 2006 and from that time has been assigned as GWP Cambodia Officer-In-Charge. Initiated for Cambodia Water Partnership (CamboWP) establishment as Country Water Partnership and conducted various IWRM training activities for line agencies.
- **Country Manager** (in own capacity) for Cambodia Capacity Building Network for IWRM (CamboNet), AguaJaring/SEA Cap-Net SC Member for Cambodia. Initiated for extending IWRM networks among national line agencies and local communities. The Cap-Net/AguaJaring has been supported to Cambodia since 2007 for IWRM capacity building of national agencies under CNMC framework.

Personnel most relevant experiences with IWRM promotion and implementation in Cambodia (since 2006 up to date):

- Direct the project: IWRM pilot study: to formulate a piloting river basin organization in Cambodia to apply IWRM (under GWP and ADB Support) for 2007-2010
- Organizer and Resource Person of Training Workshop on Integrated River Basin Management for BDP Program phase I (in 2006).
- Organizer and Resource person for National Dialogue on promotion of IWRM in Cambodia (2006-2008).
- In-charge the Cambodia Water Partnership (CamboWP) since 2006 and became the Chair of CamboWP since September 2009: proposed/organized IWRM training workshops, national dialogues, consultation meetings for IWRM, direct the CamboWP under framework of GWP and Cambodia National Mekong Committee.
- GWP SEA Steering Committee Member for Cambodia since 2007 up to now. Facilitates and brings voice of IWRM in country to share and exchange experiences with SEA Countries.
- Proposer/creator/initiator for establishment of Piloting River Basin Organization in Cambodia (2006) through GWP and ADB. It was approved by the Cambodia Government in 2007.
- Trainer for National Training on IWRM and Integrated River Basin Organization for National and provincial line agencies since 2005 item of presentation: Concepts and issues of IWRM, of integrated river basin management; strategy for sustainable development of river basin, river basin organization development and international issues for setting up the organization.

Most relevant papers published by own to international events:

1. Watt Botkosal: Mekong Development Perspectives and Its Challenges. Paper contributed at the Singapore International Water Week 2010-River Basin and Delta Management Workshop, 28 June 2010, Singapore.
2. Watt Botkosal (National Paper): Towards establishing the River Basin Organization and Management in Cambodia: A case of 4-Ps Basin for World Water Week (19 August 2009), Stockholm, Sweden, Panel Session: Eye on Asia.
3. Watt Botkosal (National Country paper): New Thinking on Water Governance: establishment of Local River Basin Organization to promote Water Governance for Conference on New Thinking on Water Governance, 2-3 July 2009, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore
4. Watt Botkosal (National Country paper): River Basin Organization in Cambodia, IWRM application in 4-Ps Basin: National IWRM implementation Pilot project for Regional Workshop on River Basin Organization and Management, Yogyakarta, Indonesia: June 17-19, 2009.
5. Watt Botkosal and Sok Saing Im (National Country paper): Mekong the mother and the new challenge, for MRC International Forum on IWRM, 2005, Chiang Rai, Thailand

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