

Tentative Agenda

# GWOPA Assembly & Pre-events

2 - 3 November 2024

Triumph Luxury Hotel, New Cairo, Egypt

**GWOPA**  
Global Water Operators' Partnerships Alliance



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## Day 1: Pre-events, Tentative Programme at a Glance

Saturday 2 November 2024

### GROUP 1: WIN TRAINING

09:00 - 10:30	WIN 1 Training Session
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee/tea break
11:00 - 12:30	WIN 1 Training session cont.
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	WIN 2 Training session
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee/tea break
16:00 - 16:30	Conclusions

### GROUP 2: EGM CLOSED SESSIONS

EGM Session 1/2
Coffee/tea break
EGM Session 3/4
Lunch
EGM session 5/6
Coffee/tea break
EGM session 7/8

17:00 - 18:00 Steering Committee, CLOSED SESSION

18:00 Bus transfer to dinner

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## Day 1: Pre-events

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### **INTEGRITY TRAINING**

**09:00 - 16:30**

*In-person only, upon registration*

*Languages: English*

The "Integrity Training" at the GWOPA Assembly on 2 November 2024, facilitated by the GWOPA member organization Water Integrity Network (WIN), presents a valuable learning opportunity for water and sanitation utility staff. WIN brings extensive experience in developing and applying water integrity tools with utilities, ensuring that participants benefit from expert guidance.

The training focuses on enhancing understanding of key integrity concepts in the sector, using the TAPA Framework (Transparency, Accountability, Participation, and Anti-corruption) to address how integrity failures impact service delivery.

- By exploring real-life integrity dilemmas through group exercises and discussions, participants gain practical tools and strategies to navigate ethical challenges in their work. This hands-on approach, combined with networking opportunities, equips utility staff with the skills needed to foster a culture of integrity, thereby strengthening the delivery of water and sanitation services and upholding human rights in their communities.

### **EXPERT GROUP MEETING ON SANITATION FOCUSED OPERATORS' PARTNERSHIPS (SWOPS)**

**09:00 - 17:00**

*Closed meeting upon invitation only, in-person only*

*Languages: English*

In March 2023, as part of the Water Action Agenda, GWOPA committed to establishing at least 100 new Water and Sanitation-focused Operator Partnerships (WOPs/SWOPs) by 2030. In line with this pledge, GWOPA's Sanitation Strategy outlines two key goals:

- Accelerating universal access to sanitation by leveraging SWOPs to transform GWOPA's approach to sanitation, involving all stakeholders.
- Committing that at least 35 of the new partnerships by 2030 will specifically focus on sanitation (SWOPs).

As part of this commitment, GWOPA brings together sanitation experts to discuss strategies for scaling SWOPs and expanding sanitation services. The discussions will focus on designing and developing SWOPs as a powerful, low-cost investment tool to enhance operational efficiency and strengthen sanitation services, making them more efficient and resilient.

# Day 1: Pre-event, Integrity Training: Detailed Programme

*Saturday 2 November 2024*

● **09:00 - 09:30 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE TRAINING**

● **09:30 - 11:00 BASIC CONCEPTS OF INTEGRITY IN WATER AND SANITATION**

Introducing the basic concepts of integrity in water and sanitation, including the TAPA Framework (Transparency, Accountability, Participation and Anti-corruption). Participants will understand how integrity failures influence water and sanitation service delivery and what role utilities play in strengthening integrity and ensuring the human rights to water and sanitation. Participants will get to know the InWASH tool, a detailed methodology to launch an integrity management process including:

- Integrity Assessment: 15 straightforward indicators to benchmark current integrity practices,
- Descriptions of typical integrity risks that can undermine the work of water and sanitation service providers,
- A business model exercise to evaluate how poor integrity impacts a utility's core functions and how it will improve
- A description of more than 50 practical tools to inspire a change management process that fits the needs and realities of each utility.

● **11:00 - 11:30 COFFEE/TEA BREAK**

● **11:30 - 12:30 INTEGRITY DILEMMAS (*GROUP WORK*)**

This section will explore how integrity concepts are put into practice through practical examples that demonstrate integrity dilemmas that water and sanitation professionals may face. We will provide participants with a set of tools that they can apply to respond to the dilemmas they have been given. These tools are proven and tested to help professionals in the water and sanitation sectors to act with integrity when faced with dilemmas.

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- **12:30 - 14:00 LUNCH AND NETWORKING**
- **14:00 - 15:30 PRESENTATION OF INTEGRITY DILEMMAS (GROUP WORK)**  
Groups will present the results of their responses to the integrity dilemmas they were presented with, including which tools they would apply for which situations.
- **11:00 - 11:30 COFFEE/TEA BREAK**
- **16:00 - 16:30 Q&A, FEEDBACK, CLOSURE OF THE TRAINING.**
- **17:00 - 18:00 CLOSED SHORT TRANSITION STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (HYBRID)**
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## Day 2: Assembly of GWOPA's Members

Monday 3 November 2024

### 08:00 - 09:00 WELCOME COFFEE

Women in WOPs networking breakfast

### 09:00 - 09:30 OPENING STATEMENTS

- Anacláudia Rossbach, UN-Habitat Executive Director
- High-level Egyptian Government representative (tbc)
- Niels Annen, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany, GWOPA Host Country
- Video message from Katja Dörner, Mayor of Bonn, GWOPA host City

Celebrations of 15 years of GWOPA - video

### 09:30 - 11:00 AGENDA ITEM 1: GOVERNANCE OF THE ALLIANCE

Introduction of new Steering Committee with special welcome of new members –panel.  
Introduction of WOP platforms - panel.  
Discussions on governance topics.  
Conclusion and adoption of the charter.

### 11:00 - 11:15 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

Online networking for members

### 11:15 - 13:30 AGENDA ITEM 2: SUBSTANTIVE STRATEGIC SESSION

Introduction by WOP champion.  
Showcase of WOPs impact.  
Discussions on Strategic Direction-part 1.

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*Monday 3 November 2024*

- **13:30 - 14:15 LUNCH**  
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- **14:15 - 15:00 STRATEGIC SESSION CONT.**  
Discussions on Strategic Direction-part 2:
  - Espresso introductions to substantial topics and discussions (break-out groups)
- **15:00 - 15:15 COFFEE/TEA BREAK**
- **15:15 - 16:30 GUIDED DISCUSSIONS FOR INPUTS TO GWOPA NEW STRATEGY**
- **16:30 - 17:00 RECAP AND CLOSING STATEMENTS**
  - Recap on break out group discussions
  - Recap on recommendations for decisions
  - Wrap up of the Assembly
  - Information on WUF
  - Closing statement : High-level Egyptian Government representative (tbc)
- **18:00 NETWORKING SOCIAL EVENT**

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