

Water Integrity Forum



Work Stream 5: Tools to Diagnose and Assess Integrity

*“Assessing the Multiple Dimensions of Accountability
in Latin America”*

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- Provide context and background
- Highlight main aspects of the accountability tool on water governance and management.
- Offer some lessons for discussion and exchange.

1. Background

Democratic Governance for Human Development?

The capacity of a society to guide and organize its democratic institutions, in a way that people can have more and better opportunities to live according to their aspirations and values, and be involved in the decisions that affect them.

Inequality and Accountability



Economic inequality and lack of transparency and accountability provide a fertile breeding ground for corrupt practices, and even helps to justify them, in turn, leads to further inequalities.

Key Challenges for Latin America



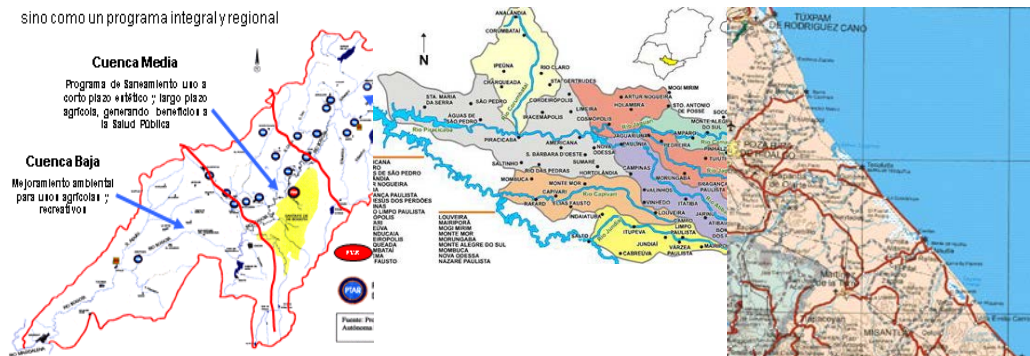
Macro Policies

- Enhancing equity and transparency and accountability
- Enabling voice and participation
- Rising Middle Class
- *Glocalization*
- Articulation or Multi-level governance

Study on Accountability in Water Governance



- Commission of a study
- 4 Cases



River Basin of Bogota River/Colombia

River basin of Piracicaba, Jundiá and Capivari Rivers Sao Paulo/Brazil



Water and Sanitation Xalapa/Veracruz/ Mexico



Water and Sanitation Chile

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Partnerships with:

- Centre for Interdisciplinary Development Studies (CIDER)- Andes University-Colombia
- Researchers in Chile, Brazil and Mexico
- UNDP (Bureau for Development Policy, Regional Centre for LAC, Virtual School, Country Offices).
- Validation Workshop November 2011 in Panama (UNDP, WIN, SIWI, government counterparts, CSOs)

2. Tool: Key Elements and Findings

Key Elements of the Tool



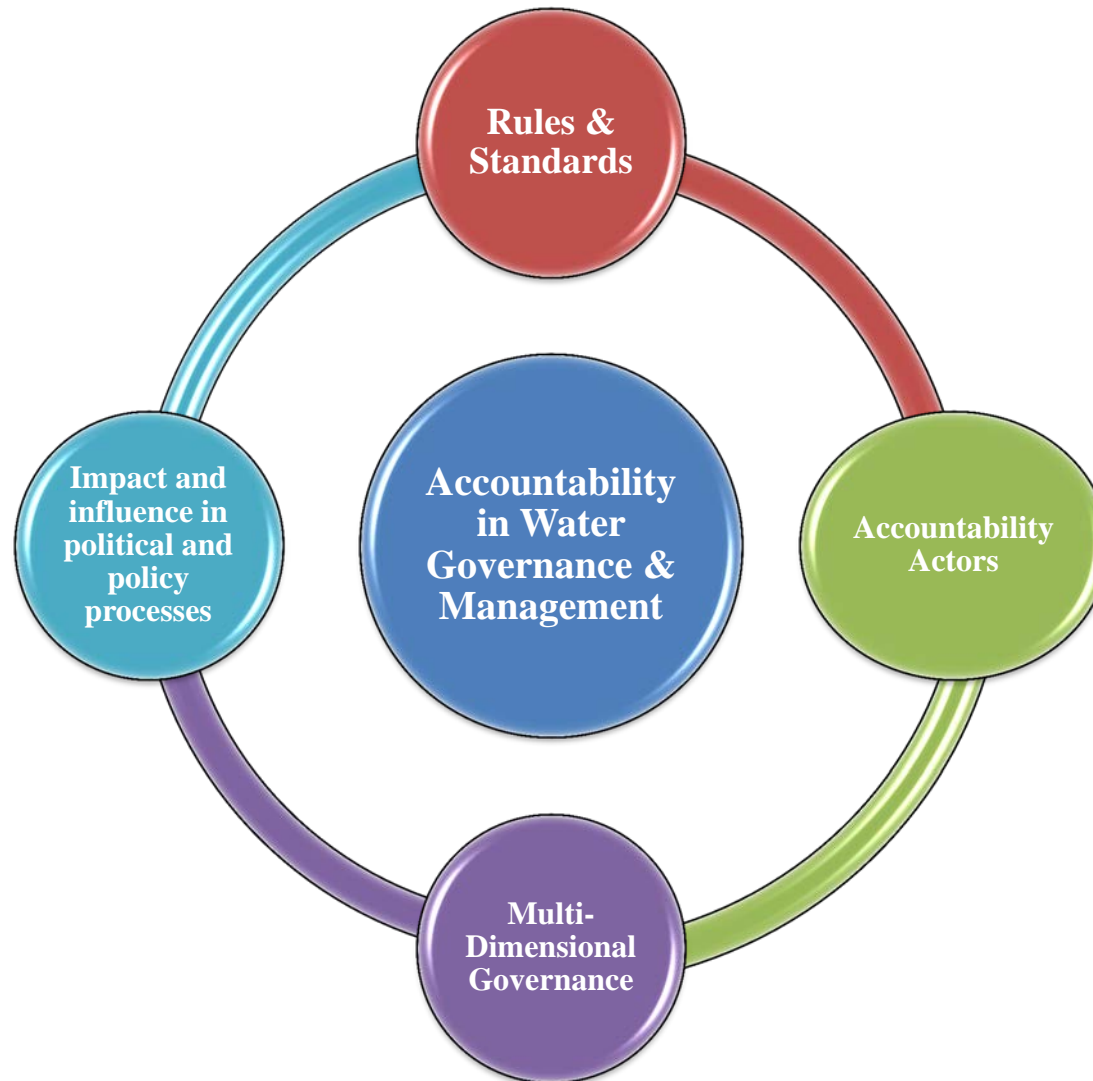
- Qualitative approach
- Mapping Exercise identification of Governance Models
- Analysis of roles, responsibilities, relations of accountability actors (governmental and non-governmental).
- Identification of favorable conditions and gaps in accountability systems.

Key Elements of the Tool (2)



Conceptual Elements of the Tool	Multi-Dimensional Accountability
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On Accountability• Linked to answerability and to enforcement	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Public2. Social3. Diagonal

Key Conditions of Analysis



3. Lessons Learned

Key Lessons of the Tool

Rigor, including cross-analysis of data from diverse sources

Stakeholders involvement and participation

Complementary to quantitative analysis

Policy dialogue

Context and models matter