

The R-KNOW network online

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The website will be easily accessible by all other existing networks, research and information centers. R-KNOW will be able to showcase and share lessons learnt and experiences from the field throughout the Arab region of West Asia and North Africa. Information and knowledge from experts in the network will be inputted in certain projects around the region, which will in turn create new experiences that will help the region excel in the water management and governance field.

Using the R-KNOW website to share lessons learnt, experiences and information to engage the scientific community will generate an international information portal allowing the network to be pioneers in the fields of; water governance, climate change and water, water, food and energy nexus and water sustainable technologies.

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The Regional Knowledge Network on Water

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knowledge



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The Regional Knowledge Network on Water (R-KNOW)

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Our vision

R-KNOW will become the market place of choice for exchanging knowledge on practical and participatory integrated water management approaches in the Arab Region.

How would we achieve this?

R-KNOW will incorporate practical existing knowledge (good practices & case studies) from different sources and help create and facilitate access to knowledge at the regional, national and local levels on the following thematic areas:

- Water Governance
- Climate Change and Water
- The Water, Food and Energy Nexus
- Innovative & Sustainable Water Technologies



In addressing these thematic areas, R-KNOW will consider a number of cross-cutting issues including, but not limited to, the following:

- Ecosystems rehabilitation (wetlands, rivers, services, etc.)
- Gender mainstreaming
- Capacity development
- Trans-boundary issues
- Water security

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