



FACTSHEET: ANNOTATED WATER INTEGRITY SCAN

ASSESSMENT TOOL

The Annotated Water Integrity Scan is a means to quickly assess the integrity situation in the water sector at national or local level, through a participatory workshop, during which stakeholders score identified risk areas in terms of levels of transparency, accountability and participation.

WHO IT'S FOR:

- Policy-makers
- Local government officials
- Civil society organizations
- Water user representatives

WHEN TO USE IT:

- In preliminary phases of a reform process or integrity change programme, to raise awareness, map potential corruption risks, and identify priority areas for action.
- When different stakeholders need to develop a common understanding of the integrity situation in a region or specific sub-sector.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

- Strengthened dialogue to sustain a change process and therewith reduce the risk of corruption in the sector.
- Coherent input to water policy through engagement with key water sector stakeholders.
- Support for evidence-based advocacy efforts at national and global levels.

HOW IT WORKS:

An Annotated Water Integrity Scan is conducted in a workshop by a group of eight to twelve people familiar with the specific water sub-sector in review (for example, water service delivery, WASH, WASH in schools, or water resource management). Using simple definitions and criteria, participants anonymously assign scores (from 1-low to 3-high) for Transparency, Accountability, and Participation in five critical risk areas:

- Policy and legislation
- Regulation
- Investment projects and programmes
- Service provision
- Anti-corruption framework

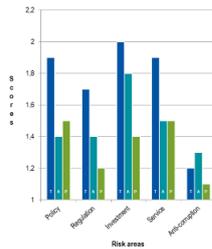
These scores are then discussed and annotated in a moderated, non-confrontational discussion. Annotations focus on explaining why a higher or lower score could be considered. They bring to light contrasting points of view and unexpected risks.

The scores and the annotations provide a basis to identify areas for priority action.

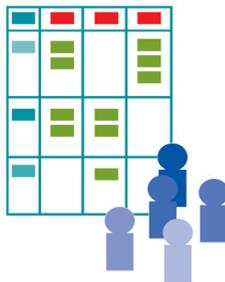
Final results can be shared to further raise awareness and initiate action.



1. PARTICIPATORY DISCUSSION, EXPLANATION OF CRITERIA TO SCORE TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND PARTICIPATION



2. ANONYMOUS SCORING FOR KEY RISK AREAS



3. DISCUSSION AND ANNOTATION OF SCORES



4. IDENTIFICATION OF PRIORITY RISK AREAS AND FOLLOW-UP, DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

How the tool was developed and tested:

The Annotated Water Integrity Scan was developed by the Water Integrity Network (WIN) together with the International Water and Sanitation Centre (IRC). The tool has been used for preliminary integrity assessments and programme planning in over 10 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa, Southeast Asia, and Latin America for different sub-sectors, including WASH, WASH in schools, and water resource management.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

(Approximate, subject to change based on project specific requirements, scope and scale):

- Preparation and material review: +/- 1 week
- Promotion to sector leaders: +/-1 week
- Adaptation of methodology, especially criteria and risk areas. Practical preparations (venue, facilitator): +/- 1 week
- Invitations and follow-up: +/- 1 month
- Workshop: 1 day
- Finalization of report: 1 week
- Dissemination to wider group of stakeholders (press, other stakeholders...): +/- 1 week

TOTAL: +/- 3 months depending on scope and scale of adaptation.

HOW WIN & PARTNERS SUPPORT:

The Annotated Water Integrity Scan is a **flexible approach** that can be tailored to different groups and management models, and that **can easily be adapted to different countries and contexts**. It has a high potential for **scale-up and replication**.

WIN and its partners support adaptations and work with organizations to facilitate workshops, providing facilitators and mentoring support.

The Annotated Water Integrity Scan is part of a set of tested water integrity tools to help water sector organizations around the world engage stakeholders, assess their needs and issues, and create action plans for better water management.



STAKEHOLDER ALIGNMENT



INTEGRITY ASSESSMENT



INTEGRITY ACTION

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