



The Routledge Water Diplomacy Handbook

June Meeting

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Our Vision for the Handbook

Create an **accessible reference** for those seeking negotiated resolutions to water conflicts and dialogue opportunities at the transnational, subnational, and community scale.

Meeting Agenda

- Administrative updates
 - Open access
 - Honorarium (call for applications)
 - Peer review
- Breakout rooms for networking and discussion
- Closing discussion / feedback

Open Access

- We have a commitment to make the book open access under Routledge's "gold" open access model
- This means:
 - the book will be freely available online
 - you will **retain the copyright** to your work
 - the previous agreements you signed will be voided
- Formal announcement at the end of the meeting

Honorariums (call for applications)

- The editors, in collaboration with the International Centre for Water Cooperation, hosted by SIWI, are presenting a call for applications for honorariums for eligible authors.
- **Award:** Choice of 10,000 SEK (~\$980 USD) or full registration to the 2022 or 2023 World Water Week

Honorariums (call for applications)

- **Eligibility:**

- Authors with primary affiliations based in countries defined by the World Bank as 'Low-Income Economies' or 'Lower-Middle-Income Economies'.
- Students without a full-time employment relevant to the field.
- Authors from countries defined by the World Bank as 'Low-Income Economies' or 'Lower-Middle-Income Economies' without a full-time employment.

- **Deadline:** June 28, 2022

- Details will be circulated after the meeting and posted to the Handbook website.

Administrative Updates – Peer Review

- About half of chapters are still unaccounted for
 - *If you have not been in touch, please let us know the status of your chapter and when we can expect it*
- We are moving to a “rolling” peer review process
- By avoiding a fixed schedule, this will hopefully allow us to avoid any holiday months
- Downside: expect feedback 8-10 weeks after submitting your draft

Administrative Updates – Peer Review

- Ideally, each chapter gets two reviews –
 - one from a person with similar professional expertise or familiarity with the topic
 - one from a person with different professional expertise or who is not familiar with the topic
- You won't be asked to review more than one chapter
- We will be seeking some reviewers from outside the Handbook

Administrative Updates – Peer Review

- Reviews will be “single-blind” – authors names will be visible; reviewers can share their names if they want to
- Recommended format:
 - Brief summary of the main points / goal of the chapter
 - Comment on title and abstract
 - List overall strengths
 - List recommendations for improvement
 - Provide specific comments in document

Breakout Rooms

Networking and some questions:

- How is the process going so far?
- Any concerns with the proposed peer review process?
- Ideas for future community meetings / direction of this group?

We will regroup to discuss any feedback.