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Water Economics and Governance a dialogue

**The Australian National University, GDLN-Australia
in collaboration the UNESCO Chair in Transboundary Water
Governance**

Global Development Learning Network Asia Pacific

Objective

- to provide expertise in capacity building and knowledge transfer in water economics and water governance, and develop an understanding of the value of water and trade-offs across water users and between water use and the environment
- Create community of interest.



What is happening ?

A series of lectures from leading academics in the water sector at the Australian National University are being streamed live to water practitioners in Sri Lanka and Tanzania

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- ‘Water: global-local and rural-urban issues’ by Prof. Quentin Grafton – 26/10/11
 - ‘Risk and federal rivers’ by Dr. Daniel Connell – 02/11/11
 - ‘Managing conflicts between climate, energy and water policies’ by Dr. Jamie Pittock – 09/11/11
 - ‘Water governance: water reform and federal rivers’ by Dr. Daniel Connell – 16/11/11
 - ‘Rivers, water, and climate change adaptation’ by Dr. Jamie Pittock – 23/11/11

Business model

ANU was awarded the UNESCO Chair with a substantial grant to build capacity and understanding. The program is delivered without charge but costs of connectivity are shared by the participating DLCs.

Participating DLCs have the opportunity to on-sell the program.

Participation

Excellent participation from Sri Lanka whose marketing was extremely focussed.

Experience with other DLCs to whom the program has been offered has been poor.

Design Features

Local discussion groups are held after the session by Sri Lanka DLC

VCs in English. Lecture format with original research requested by Sri Lanka. This replace original idea to hold a dialogue

Q and A of at least half an hour

Opportunity for participants to be in touch with lecturers, and to join Global Water Forum

Evaluations

Sri Lankan participants are extremely keen to hear of original research that is being carried out by the ANU researchers so the format has become that of an international seminar. Excellent result for both parties.

Marketing effort of other DLCs who had been approached (had indicated agreement at global meeting) was not successful. Not fulfilled potential ONCE more with feeling