

Bio: Håkan Tropp (PhD)	
<p>NAME: Håkan Tropp (PhD)</p> <p><i>Ph.D., Department of Water and Environmental Studies, Linköping University. 1999.</i></p> <p>Key themes and topics:</p> <p><i>Water, natural resources and climate governance, TAPI: Transparency, Accountability, Participation and Integrity, Climate change and DRR, Catchment-based management, Water cooperation and nexus approach, Land and water rights, Water financing, Policy dialogues and Stakeholder processes.</i></p> <p>Key skills and competencies: <i>Applied policy research, Programme and project design and management, Capacity development and learning, Organizational change processes, Strategic organizational development, Grants management and Resource mobilization,</i></p> <p>See LinkedIn</p> <p>See ResearchGate</p> <p>Contacts:</p> <p>Work: hakan.tropp@smhi.se Other: hakanatropp1@gmail.com Cell phone: +46 76 602 2558</p>	<p>Håkan Tropp is a water and climate governance and institutional specialist with more than 20 years' international experience to support improved water decision-making in developing and emerging economies.</p> <p>Tropp has led several complex international water security programmes, targeting national water reform and institutional development processes linked to for example cross-sector coordination, climate change adaptation, water regulation, transparency and participation, and catchment-based management.</p> <p>He is experienced in working across disciplines and sectors to combine and bridge different knowledge and stakeholder perspectives on water and climate. He has published several articles, policy briefs, working papers and reports on topics such as institutional development, governance and integrated approaches to water, natural resources, and environment.</p> <p>Tropp has worked with UNDESA, UNDP and OECD for 6 years (based in New York and Paris). He has also has been based in India, Kenya, and Uganda, where he led programme implementation on water governance related research and institutional capacity development He has undertaken work travels and led water policy advisory missions to many other countries in Africa and Asia (e.g. Zambia, South Africa, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, India).</p> <p>Tropp works at SMHI as an International Programme Manager and he currently leads the programme: Water and Climate Change Information Services for Africa (WACCA Ethiopia). It supports the development of strong and resilient national water and climate institutions to provide credible and actionable weather, water and disaster risk information to the Ethiopian public.</p> <p>Some other experiences include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advisory Board Member to the Centre for Climate Science and Policy Research, (CSPR) Linköping University, 2021-2025. - Associate to the NEWAVE (Next Water Governance) research programme, Vrije University. - Founding member and first chair of the Water Integrity Network, 2006-2010. - Held lectures on water governance and institutional development at several university courses and invited speaker to international water meetings. - Member of examination committees for both Masters and PhDs. - Published several articles, papers, reports and book chapters on water and climate governance and institutional development

----- EDUCATION & ACADEMIA -----

Experienced in water and climate institutional research and teaching various courses on water and environment related to policy, politics and economics. Regularly holding lectures at different universities at master's and PhD training level as well as speaking at international water meetings.

1998-1999: Assistant Professor/Lecturer in Environmental Studies, Linköping University.

Responsible for course development, research development and supervising students

- Contributed to launching a new master's programme on Environmental Studies. Developed and executed courses on environmental politics and economics and development.
- Lectured on, among other things, sustainable development, environmental/natural resource economics and international environmental/natural resource politics.

1993-1998: Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

- Ph.D. Dissertation: *Patronage, Politics and Pollution: Precarious NGO - State relationships in South India* (1999) Department of Water and Environmental Studies, Linköping University, Sweden.

- Teaching and student tutoring at various courses on sustainable development related to governance, politics and economics.

1986 -1992: Two B.As. awarded

- B.A. in Economics with focus on international economy, trade and development economics, Lund University.
- B.A. in Political Science with focus on comparative politics and theory, Lund University.

----- WORK HISTORY -----

April 2025 – International Programme Manager, SMHI (Science, Research & Development - Hydrology)

- Team leader and responsible for international programme: Water and Climate Change Information Services for Africa (WACCA Ethiopia): It works with key national institutions to support the development of strong and resilient institutions that provide credible and useful weather, water and disaster risk information (early warning systems) to the Ethiopian public.
- Team member in programmes such as the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services Moldova (NMHS). It develops technical capacity for weather, climate and hydrological information services, forecast and early warning systems, including improved management of data and information.
- Engaging in and lead specific business development opportunities and contribute to developing SMHI international offers.

2020-2025: Programme Director Knowledge & Capacity Development / Acting COO (during 2024), Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)

- Leading and responsible for work and teams on policy research and capacity development, including developing strategic plans, resource mobilization offers, work plans and results reports.
- Main author and co-manager of the programme on Water Governance for a Just, Prosperous and Sustainable Future, 2021-2024.
- Team leader of the International Centre on Water Cooperation, ICWC.
- Team leader for Sida ITP programme on Water governance for improved water security (GO-Water), 2021-2023.

2017-2020: Head, Water Governance Programme, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

- Led development and implementation of the OECD Water Governance Programme and Initiative. Responsible for developing work plans, indicators, and results reports.
- Coordinated and led secretariat (team of 3 persons) for the OECD Water Governance Initiative (WGI), consisting of 100+ international members.
- Led and/or contributed to OECD Water Policy Dialogues and thematic studies.

2013-2017: Managing Director, Knowledge Services, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)

- Led the department containing five thematic areas (Governance, Economics, Climate Change, WEF-nexus and transboundary waters).
- Led a team of 30+ sustainable development professionals and researchers in 3 main service areas, applied research, policy advisory services, and capacity development.
- Responsible for coaching and mentoring staff
- Responsible for business and partnership development, including resource mobilization and grants management.
- Process leader for strategy development.

2004-2013: Director, Water Policy and Governance, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)

- Developed the organisation's operational work (research, policy advice and capacity development support) through several programmes and projects.
- Responsible for water project development, resource mobilization and implementation. Developed and managed several projects that delivered policy advice and capacity development in several water resources

management areas (regulation, participation, decentralization, catchment-based management, transparency of water data, and more)

- Established and led a team of 9 sustainable development professionals and researchers on policy advisory services, research, and capacity development.
- Responsible for all management aspects, including programmatic development, annual work plan and progress reporting, budgets, resource mobilization and staff development and work performance assessment.
- Led, designed, and successfully fund-raised several water programmes, including the UNDP-SIWI Water Governance Facility.
- Led processes to develop strategies for coherent results-based management system, grants management and quality control.

2003-2004: Environment Policy Manager, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)

- Managing and developing sustainable development portfolio. Responsible for quality checks and contract enforcement.
- Managed external relations and agreements with development partners, such as WB, WWF-International, particularly in areas of biodiversity and green accounting.
- Provided environment policy advice to partners and other Sida programmatic areas.
- Organized and led environmental education and trainings within Sida on Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) and Strategic Environmental Analysis (SEAs).

1999 -2003 United Nations: Water Resources Policy Specialist at UNDP, 2001-2003; and Sustainable Development Officer at UNDESA, 1999-2001.

- At UNDP, main responsibilities included water programme development and execution and supporting water policy development in UNDP HQ and country offices. Developed and drafted UNDP water strategy, funding proposals, project documents, annual plans, and progress reports.
- At UNDESA, Main responsibilities included to develop and provide policy advice and support to processes of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) on Agenda 21. It included drafting Secretary General's reports and technical papers.

----- Examples of International Water Projects -----

Tropp has developed, led, and managed several international water programmes and projects and he has comprehensive experience in results-based management, MEL, developing Theory of Change and the full range of grants management with funders, partners, and beneficiaries. Below follow some programme examples.

Team leader: **International Centre for Water Cooperation (ICWC)**, 2024-2025. Results: Promoting water cooperation innovations and knowledge development. National water cooperation preparedness index developed.

Team Leader: **Building Governance Capacity for Improved Water and Climate Security (GO-WATER)**, 2021-2024. Results: Improved water governance capacity and development of water regulatory functions (pricing and water quality), basin communication and implementation plan in Uganda, Iraq, Bolivia, Colombia, and Peru

Co-managing: **Water Governance for a Just, Prosperous and Sustainable Future**. 2021-2024 Results: Improved WASH and integrated water resources management in 15 developing countries. Research and innovation on water and climate governance, including tool development targeting water practitioners and decision-makers.

Head of the **OECD Water Governance Programme**, 2017-2020. Results: Uptake of OECD Water Governance Principles. Several tools and knowledge products developed such as Assessing the water governance principles; Flood risk governance; and NEXUS approach in South Korea. Led the OECD Water Governance Initiative (WGI), and its secretariat. WGI consists of 100+ member organisations to share experience on reforms, projects, lessons and good practices in support of better water governance.

Spearheaded and led the programme operationalization of the **Africa-EU Water Partnership Programme** (AEWPP), 2016-2017 (Euros 2,5 Mn). Results: More public and private capital accessible (improved bankability) for water-related infrastructure projects in Africa.

Spearheaded and led the **UNDP - SIWI Water Governance Facility** (WGF), 2005-2014. Results: Demand-based water policy advice and technical support to 30+ developing countries and emerging economies on cross-sector water planning, regulation, stakeholder engagement, decentralization, and basin management. Developed water governance methods, tools and policy publication series that bridge knowledge development with practical application on water use and water resources management.

Developed and managed regional programmes (SSA and MENA) on **water accountability and integrity** targeting SADC, ECOWAS and LVBC and MENA programme targeting Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, and Tunisia, 2012-2017 (USD 4 Mn).

Managing the technical and secretariat support to the **EU Water Initiative: Africa Working Group** (EUWI-AWG), 2012-2015. Results: supported implementation of AMCOW's work plan for Africa Water Vision 2025; production of technical papers on IWRM and transboundary waters. It assisted in facilitating higher level policy dialogues between AMCOW and the EC.

Team partner in **Water Governance Benchmarking in MENA region**, 2009-2010. The project addressed regional water scarcity by devising a framework for understanding and assessing water governance capacity and performance in Middle Eastern countries and applying it in six national settings.

Team leader: **A human rights-based approach to improved water services in Kenya**, 2007-2009. Results: Strengthened social accountability through improved mechanisms for water consumer redress. Improved capacities of water services rights-holders and duty-bearers and mechanisms for dialogue between consumers, service providers and the regulator were established. Programme implemented in the Town of Bondo, Nyanza district.

Team Leader: **Improving governance in the water sector in Uganda**: Empowering civil society to monitor accountability and transparency in water services (programme manager), 2007-2009. Results: Strengthened local NGO capacities and developed monitoring method to track accountability and transparency in procurement and construction (borewells) of rural water supply. Public expenditure tracking survey and development of monitoring methodology that was applied in six districts in Rwenzori. Ministry of Water and Environment developed a water integrity action plan.

Team partner on **Improving Stakeholder Participation in River Basin Councils in Kazakhstan**, 2005-2006. Results: Improved planning capacity of water user groups and developing multi-stakeholder platforms for more functional river basin councils.