

# IIP in Accra, Ghana

## International Water Management Institute

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# Project Details

- Internship duration: 8 weeks from June 2010 to August 2010
- Internship location: Accra, Ghana
- Organization: International Water Management Institute
- Internship goal is to evaluate communications products of an IWMI project
- Worked on the Ghana Dams Dialogue
- Evaluated the following products
  - ▶ the annual Ghana Dams Forum
  - ▶ the quarterly Ghana Dams Dialogue Newsletter
  - ▶ the Ghana Dams Dialogue Website



# Ghana Dams Dialogue

- The Ghana Dams Dialogue is a multi-stakeholder platform that was created to encourage sustainable dam development in Ghana
- Group of over 70 different institutions, individuals, and communities that have an interest in dam development in Ghana (Government, NGOs, Utility Operators, Displaced Persons, Research Scientists)
- Created with the Bui Dam in mind – 400 MW hydroelectric plant being built to supplement Ghana's energy needs



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- Interviewed participants in the Ghana Dams Dialogue to determine how they used the project's communications outputs (website, meetings, newsletter)
- 3 weeks set aside for interviews
- Goal: interview up to 40 stakeholders
- 31 interviews over the course of 3 weeks with stakeholders in Accra, Akosombo, and Bui
  - 8 Dam Affected Communities
  - 2 Local Level Institutions
  - 6 Ministries, Departments, Agencies
  - 2 NGO & Media
  - 6 National Operators
  - 6 Research Organizations
  - 1 Other
- Contributed to the newsletter
- Visited the 3 major dams in Ghana
- Took part in the annual Dam Affected Communities meeting





