



**Proceedings of
Second Annual Flood Forum
Information Flow, Networking
and Partnership**

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**Theme—
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- Participants included 115 staff members of**
- **National delegations from the MRC member countries, China and Myanmar**
 - **Flood-oriented organizations from the Mekong Basin and international development organizations, international and national CSOs, and the scientific community**
 - **MRC Secretariat**



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Session 1—Welcome and Introductions

Session 2—Share FMM experiences from the 2002 Flood

Session 3—Discuss Tools, Products, Information and Services

Session 4—Group Discussion, Institutional Setup and Networking

Session 5—Partner Experiences

Session 6—Group Discussion, Priorities of Regional Collaboration



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Conclusions—Regional FMM needs improved:

- Capacity development
- Medium- and long-term weather and river forecasts
- Data and information sharing
- Flash flood monitoring and warning
- Integration of flood and drought management



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Conclusions—Regional FMM needs improved:

- Collaboration with China and Myanmar
- Dialogue with the grass--root level communities
- Inter-agency coordination (nationally and regionally)
- FMM information dissemination
- Support by MRC to projects at the national level



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In the 17 months since AFF-2:

- Some progress has been made
- Much needs to be done.



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The success of this Forum depends upon your active participation in the meeting, both in the formal sessions and during the social events.