

the International Centre for  
Water Hazard and Risk  
Management  
under the auspices of  
UNESCO

(CHARM)

# Public Works Research Institute (PWRI)



- **History**

- 1927: Established**

- 1979: Relocated to Tsukuba**

- (Area:126ha, Staff: 550)**

- 2001: Re-organized into two institutions  
(PWRI and NILIM)**

- **Staff : 219 (including 151 researchers)**

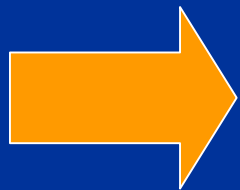
- **Research topics: 200**

- **Budget (FY 2004): 6 billion JPY  
(55 mil. US\$)**



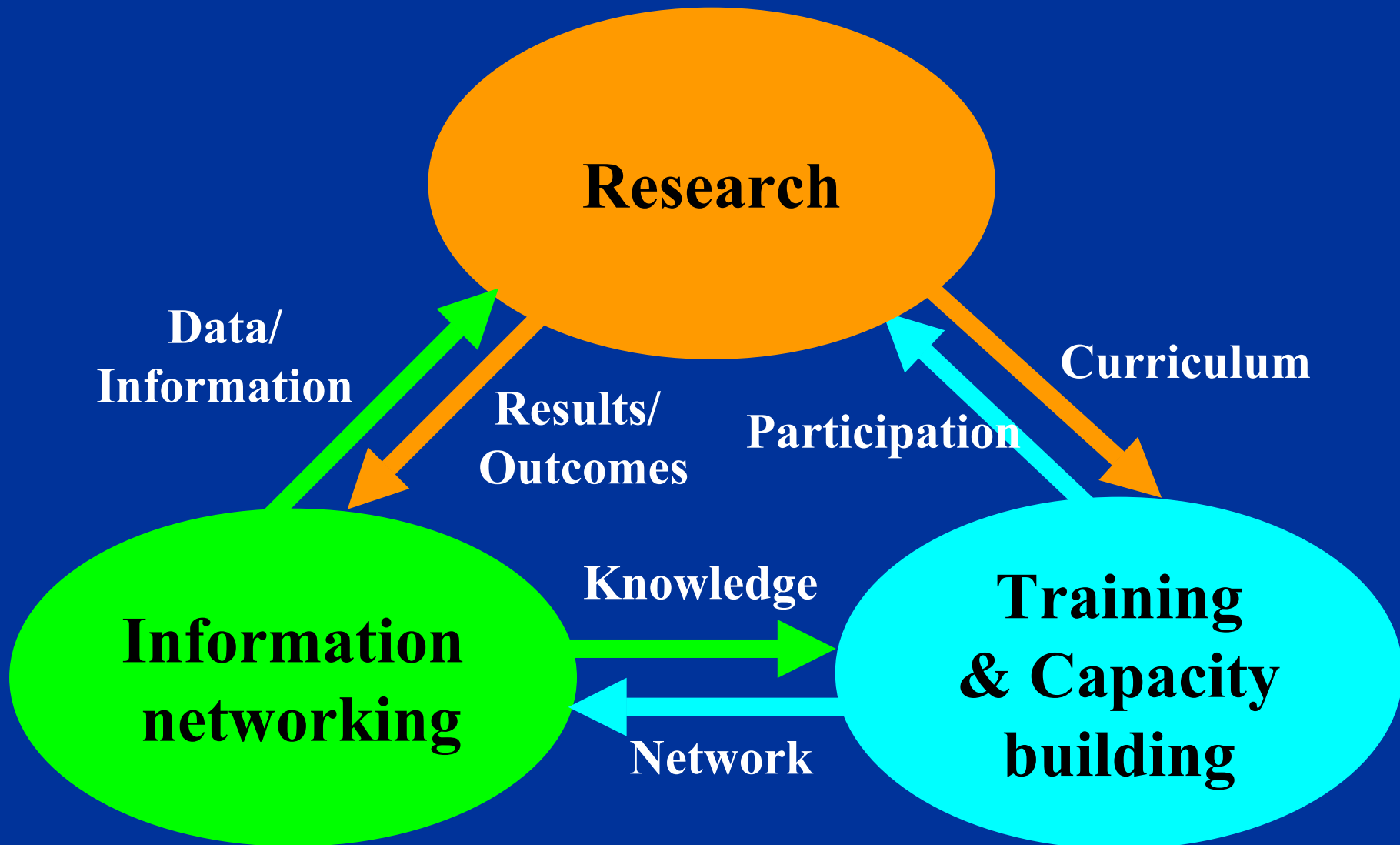
# Framework of UNESCO-CHARM

- **Accumulated knowledge and experience** trying to overcome water-related disasters
- **Global network of UNESCO-IHP** for internationally sharing valuable information



**Contribution to prevent or mitigate water-related disasters in the world**

# Pillar Activities of UNESCO-CHARM







**Construction of the center office building has already started.**



# A Blueprint of the Centre Building



- ◆ **Research Staff** : 20 (at the initial stage)
- ◆ **Center building** : will be completed in autumn 2005
- ◆ **Office space** : 2,000m<sup>2</sup>

# In the Future

- We have submitted a proposal for consideration at the **UNESCO Executive Board in Spring 2005.**
- And to obtain an accreditation of the new Center at the **UNESCO General Conference in autumn 2005.**