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Information System on
know how in the water
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**النظام الأورو- متوسطي للإعلام
حول المعرفة في ميدان المياه**

Working Group discussions

MEDA Water



Information and training seminar for EMWIS data managers, Madrid 2006-11-13/15





Working group introduction

Participants:

**Egypt+Jordan+Palestine+Malta+Turkey+UT+
Bernd**

- We proceed by reminding the participants on the state of the art of each section, then we tried to identify the problems (or lacks) or criticize what is available up to now. Then, the aim was to identify the objective, or what should we achieve before identifying the activities or recommendations to be carried out or taken into account to overcome the aforementioned problems and difficulties.

INSTITUTIONS THEME



Some general problems: different structure in each country
different template used by each country - what kind of ministries or institutions should be included or not, or which relation should be valid (between the institution and water)?
It requires work to include all institutions: where should we stop?
No clear vision on the main institutions

| IDENTIFIED LACKS | PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS |
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| The change of technology platform | Do not ask NFPs to change their platforms as it postpones scheduled updates waiting for the new platform, etc |
| lack of understanding of theme | We should define the institutions that should be included (at least the main ones) |
| who is more appropriate to put online international organisations | NFP is free to add an international organisation or not |
| no clear structure | Define an outline for the institutions themes “sub-titles” “structure” (reviewed and give feedback by all of us) |
| too much lists of institutions Irrelevant institutions | List only the main ones according to the importance decided by the NFP itself, But at least include the main ministries and |



EDUCATION & TRAINING THEME

Suggest good examples of one outline for all the themes and discuss it with all the NFPs

- **list the main institutions or centres giving training in water sector**
- **one suggestion from Jordanian NFP is to build a database on water trainings and courses with the centre giving it, and allowing the own centres to fill it in the NFP database.. (may follow water projects database)**
- **Define relationships with training centres**
- **Beni Mostafa suggests to announce just the announcement of the training offered by national centres or international ones rather than building a database for the purpose**



R&D – DATA ADMIN. THEME

It depends on the countries, almost listing the universities, the research centres, NGOs (in case of Palestine)

Contacting research centres to get their research outputs or products that they allow to put them in the website

The necessity to index the research and development metadata (themes)

The necessity of giving proposals or guidelines to index research priorities or themes