



**Seminar on National and Trans-boundary Water Resources Management in Africa  
March 26-30, 2012, Accra, GHANA.**

Monday, March 26, 2012	
<b>08:00-09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00-09:45</b>	<b>Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of African Development Institute</li> <li>- Representative of Ghana Field Office</li> <li>- Honorable Minister of Environment, Science and Technology</li> </ul>
Coffee Break (9:45-10:20)	
<b>10:20-13:00</b>	<b>Introductory Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Program Overview, <i>Dr. Tim A. Koomson (UNU-INRA)</i> (10 min.)</li> <li>- Introduction of the Participants (30 min.)</li> <li>- Bank Group's Capacity Development Strategy, <i>Susan Emiko (EADI)</i> (30 min.)</li> <li>- Update on IWRM Implementation in Africa, <i>Mr. Kwame Ababio (WRC)</i> (30 min.)</li> <li>- AfDB's Intervention in IWRM, <i>Mr. Francis D. Bougaire (OWAS/AWF)</i> (20 min.)</li> <li>- Discussion (20 min.)</li> </ul>
Lunch (13:00-14:00)	
<b>14:00-17:30</b>	<p><b>Session 1: Water Resources Information Sharing</b>  <b>Chair: Mr Jauad El Kharraz, Information Data Manager, EMWIS/SEMIDE, France.</b>  <b>Euro-Mediterranean Information System on know-how in the Water sector</b></p> <p>This session will be devoted to presentations on national and trans-boundary water information systems (hydro-meteorological data collection, assessment, data sharing system and its use) and how the information is utilized for decision making to efficiently manage water resources at basin level.</p> <hr/> <p>Importance of Water Resources Assessment: Organization and Network Management,  <i>Mr. Abou AMANI, Regional Hydrologist-UNESCO Nairobi</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Coffee Break (15:00-15:30)</p> <p>-National Water Information Systems: Organizational Management.  <i>Mr. Abou AMANI, Regional Hydrologist-UNESCO Nairobi</i></p> <p>- Strengthening the coordination and the development of National Water Information Systems harmonised at regional, national &amp; basin levels: EMWIS Experience in the Mediterranean  <i>Mr. Jauad EL KHARRAZ, Information Manager at EMWIS/SEMIDE</i></p>

	<p>-Basins Water/Environmental Observatory: <i>The case of the Niger Basin Authority, Mr. Robert DESSOUASSI-Niger Basin Authority.</i></p> <p>-Discussion</p>
Tuesday, March 27, 2012	
08:00-10:00	<p><b>Session 2: Platform for Coordination, Cooperation and Participation.</b>  <b>Chair: Dr Charles Biney, Executive Director, Volta Basin Authority, Burkina Faso</b></p> <p>The aim of the session is to present water resources allocation and conflict management mechanism among water users and countries who share the basin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Platforms for Consultation of Stakeholders in Water Resources Management [30 min].  <i>Dr Kenneth Msibi, Task Manager, Water, SADC.</i></li> <li>- Platform for Coordination, Cooperation and Participation in Tran-boundary Water Resources Management- Challenges and Opportunities: Case of Orange-Senqu River Commission-[30 min]. <i>Ms. Lenka Thelmae, Executive Secretary, ORASECOM.</i></li> <li>- Discussion-[40mn].</li> </ul>
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break
10:30-12:30 & 14:00-17:30	<p><b>Session 3: Political and Legal Instruments.</b>  <b>Chair: Mr Fred W. Kyosingira, Asst Commissioner, Water Resources Monitoring and Assessment, Uganda.</b></p> <p>The main purpose of this session is to introduce key political and legal instruments used at national, regional and basins/aquifers.</p> <p><b>10:30-12:30</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The Role and Relevance of the 1997 UN Watercourses Convention within an African Context. <i>Mrs Bernadette Adjei, Legal Officer, Ghana Water Resources Commission</i></li> <li>-Discussion.</li> </ul> <p><b>Lunch (12:30-14:00)</b></p> <p><b>14:00-16:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The SADC Water Protocol and the experience from its application.  <i>Dr Kenneth Msibi, Task Manager, Water, SADC.</i></li> <li>- Discussion.</li> </ul> <p><b>16:00-16:30 : Coffee Break</b></p>

	<p><b>16:30 – 17:30</b></p> <p><b>Session 4: AWF New Operation Strategy 2012-2016</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation on the New Strategy, <i>Francis Bougaire, AWF</i></li> <li>- Exchange with AWF</li> </ul>
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Wednesday, March 28, 2012	
<b>09:00-12:30</b>	<p><b>Session 4: Financial Mechanisms for Water Resources Management.</b>  <b>Chair: Mr Ahmed A. Abubakar, Director, Lake Chad Basin Commission.</b></p> <p>The session will be devoted to presentations on innovative and successful financial mechanisms for water resources management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Overview of Financial Mechanisms for Water Resources Management.  <i>Dr. Tim A. Koomson, Environment Policy Fellow, UNU-INRA.</i></li> <li>- Discussion</li> <li>- Constitution of Groups on Innovative and successful Financial Mechanism for WRM at: Country Level (Group1), Basin Level (Group2) and Regional Level (Group3).</li> </ul>
Lunch (12:30-13:30)	
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	Groups meeting
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:00-17:30</b>	Presentation on Outcomes of the Group - Discussion

Thursday, March 29, 2012	
Field Trip	
Friday, March30, 2012	
<b>08:30-11:00</b>	<p><b>Session 6: Use of New/Innovative Technology.</b>  <b>Chair: Mr Loay Sief El Din, Nile Water Sector, MWRI, Egypt.</b></p> <p>The session will focus on new and innovative technologies which could be applied for better water resources management and showcase some case studies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-New and innovative technologies which could be applied for better water resources management. UNU-INRA</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Coffee Break (09:30-10:30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Importance of Research and Training for IWRM Implementation.  <i>Dr. Charles Biney, Executive Director, Volta Basin Authority</i></li> <li>-Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>12:00-13:30</b>	<b>Closing Session</b>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Summary and Recommendations, <i>Dr. Tim A. Koomson (UNU-INRA)</i></li><li>- Representative of African Development Institute</li><li>- Representative of Ghana Field Office</li><li>- Representative of the host country</li></ul> |
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