

**REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON
NATIONAL WATER INFORMATION SYSTEMS
AND EMWIS**

Hotel Sofitel – Algiers - 26-27 June 2006

Agenda

1st day: Public plenary sessions

- 09h00** **Registration**
- 09h30** **Opening speeches of
Minister for the Water resources
EMWIS Secretary General
European Commission**
- 10h15** **Coffee break**
- 10h45** **Progress of EMWIS and its National Focal Points (NFP)**
Eric MINO, EMWIS Technical Unit
- 11h00** **Presentation of the Algerian EMWIS NFP**
Khatim KHERRAZ, ABH CSM
- 11h15** **Results of the feasibility study on the National water information systems
in Mediterranean Countries**
Hala ZAWATI, EasyInfo Jordan
- 11h30** **The project of Mediterranean mechanism for water observation**
Eric MINO, EMWIS Technical Unit
- 11h45** **Shared Water Information systems
Recommendations of the 4th World Water Forum**
Paul HAENER, International Office of Water
- 12h00** **Lunch**

Case study of Water Information Systems

13h45 The Algerian water information system: BASE EAU

M. Rabie BOUZAKARIA, Sub-Directorate of Information Systems, Ministry of Water Resources

14h05 The French Water Information system (SIE)

Laurent COUDERCY, French Ministry of Ecology and Sustainable Development

14h25 The information System of the Sahara and Sahel Observatory

Iamine BABASY, Sahara and Sahel Observatory

14h45 African Water Facility and the regional observation mechanism on water and sanitation

Yvan KEDAJ, African Development Bank

15h25 The European Water Information System (WISE)

Stefan JENSEN, European Environment Agency

15h25 Coffee break

15h55 Some key points for the implementation of National Water Information Systems

Paul HAENER, International Office of Water

16h 15 Round table on

Financing National Water Information Systems

Moderator : Walter MAZZITTI, EMWIS Secretary General

Experts panel:

- National experiences: Algeria and Tunisia
- Donors and financial institutions: European Commission, African Water Facility, French Development Agency, GTZ, ...

17h00 End of plenary sessions

2nd day
Sessions in working groups
On invitation only
(Approximately 80 people)

9h00	Presentation of morning sessions		
9h05	Presentation of each country represented (5 mins each)		
10h00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current status of the National water information system – NWIS - ▪ Definition, objective, evolution of the NWIS (current or future) ▪ Current or planned involvement of partners in the NWIS ▪ Presentation of products quoted in the answers to the workshop preparatory survey ▪ Expectations/priorities for NWIS (production of information, others,...) ▪ Specific expectations with regards to the workshops 		
	Coffee break and Registration to the thematic workshops		
9h30	Workshop 1: Sharing of experiences on the implementation of the NWIS: strategies, implications at the institutional and legislative level	Workshop 2: Sharing of experiences on the organisation of access and the management of the data and information on water	Workshop 3: Sharing of experiences on the added value of data and information on water and production of useful information
Expert Rapporteur: Moderator	Laurent Coudercy, DIREN Paul Haener, OIEau	Stephanie Laronde, OIEau Eric Mino, EMWIS	Gaëlle Thivet, Plan Bleu, J. El Kharraz, EMWIS
Program workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction - Presentation of the experiences from countries - Coffee break - Debate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction - Presentation of the experiences from countries - Coffee break - Debate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction - Presentation of the experiences from countries - Coffee break - Debate
12h00	Synthesis of the Workshops		
13h00	Conclusions		