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ACWUA WANT: Developing and promoting new instruments and technical guidelines for water and wastewater utilities in the MENA region

Wednesday 21st October, 14h10 to 15h30 Room: Mont Nebo Hall 2

Chair: Mostafa Biad, ACWUA WANT Project, Water expert for ACWUA and GIZ ACWUA

New instruments, standards and guidelines are flooding the international water market. The questions are: How relevant are these for the MENA countries? How to amend or adapt them to be applicable? What processes are needed to create ownership and building capacity for implementation in the region?

Following recommendations of the 6th ACWUA Best Practices Conference 2013 in Algiers, the following topics are of special interest to enhance the performance of utilities: “**Water Integrity**”, “**Energy Efficiency**”, “**Regional Benchmarking**” and “**TSM-Total Sustainability Management**”. ACWUA WANT is looking for solutions and this session will share recent achievements and challenges to develop and test instruments and technical guidelines. Finally we will explore and discuss options for mainstreaming and sustainability from the perspective of a regional water association and its members.

The ACWUA WANT project supports Technical Working Groups or Task Forces of the Arab Countries Water Utilities Association (ACWUA). It is implemented by the ACWUA secretariat and its more than 110 members in 18 MENA countries with support from the GIZ Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit. In this session, ACWUA members from the HCWW (Egypt), SONEDE (Tunisia), ONEE (Morocco) and Miyahuna/Aqaba (Jordan) will showcase their experiences.

AGENDA

	Opening the session	Chairperson : Mostafa BIAD
10 min	Achievements of ACWUA WANT	Thomas Petermann GIZ, Mustafa Nasereddin ACWUA
25 min	Water Integrity: an opportunity for water utilities?	Mostafa Biad (introduction to WI program): 10 mn Short statements with Q&A from delegates of Tunisia, Egypt, and Jordan (Miyahuna and Aqaba)
20 min	Guidelines for Energy Efficiency in water utilities	Abdellatif Biad, ONEE (introduction to the Guidelines) : 10 mn Short statements with Q&A by Kaheld Zaabar (SONEDE) and Yasser Hanaqtah (Aqaba WC) on tests for energy checks
15 min	Promoting TSM-Arab amongst ACWUA utilities	Introduction : Dr.Noama Sharif, ACWUA (5 mn) Short statements with Q&A by delegates from Tunisia and Jordan
10 min	Discussion with the floor	Moderator: Mostafa Biad