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Main area: Early warning systems for flood and drought monitoring

Monitoring relevant for climate variability and change adaptation strategies

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- General considerations
 - Two main remarks
 - The context is too weak : add on the links between democracy and science; absence of data culture in African etc.
 - There should be a balance between negative points (bullets) and positive points under which the plan of action should build upon (existing capacities and programmes, S-S cooperation)

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- **Chapter 1.1**

- Focus on Africa
- Bullet 1; indicate the number of transboundary basins and add something on the weaknesses in regional cooperation and collaboration
- Bullet 2: add something on the importance of new technologies in assessing blue and green water
- Bullet 4: be more specific on the MDGs
- Bullet 6: with recent floods, most governments are sensitized regarding data collection (numbers to be given by the UN disaster reduction programme)
- Bullet 7: Make reference to chapters on Africa of the last IPCC reports

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- Even if we didn't go in detail the title of point 1.2 is not clear (change it)
- **Point 2** Review the title
- The need analysis (2.2)should go before the political commitments (2.1)
- 2.1 the content is about Political commitments remove the Lisbon declaration on page 4 to here
- Add a para on monitoring and evaluation under the AMCOW

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- **Chapter 3** Change identification of communities to identification of stakeholders
- Add in table 2:
 - International level: International Water Management Institute
 - Regional level: regional economic bodies and those involved in evaluation and monitoring (CEDARE, MEWINA)
 - National level all relevant technical ministries
- Suggestions to the authors
 - Identify all the key EU agencies involved in Space
 - Consider adding an annex giving all the contacts of the different stakeholders
 - After table 2 add a statement saying that the listing could be incomplete and that other partners are welcome

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Chapter 4

- Add on table 3 contact information (e.g. websites) for the programmes
 - Clarify what is about the programme on « Water cycle and drought monitoring over Africa » (who is involved)

Chapter 5

- 5.1/ Add two more bullets
 - One on policies and governance issues including laws
 - The other on ownership and sustainability

The authors should consider braindrain and unemployment as human blockages

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- **Point 5.2:** Under the bullet on bilateral and multilateral funding programmes add
 - National and regional efforts
 - International NGOs and private sector funding especially those funding fellowships and research programmes (e.g. Fullbrighth, Netherlands, Rockefeller foundation, etc.)

Point 6:

- **Point 6.1** Table 6 should have the following changes:
 - there should be a clear distinction between regional and national levels
 - water quality should be considered not only for lakes but also for all other water bodies and at all levels
 - Introduce the need for training, education and, research at universities and research institutes

Point 6.2 It is difficult to see the difference between 6.2a and 6.2b. Integrate them in one section

In the document, cooperation, coordination and partnership are not highlighted

The urgent needs for capacity building are not stressed (have a first bullet on that)

Change the wording (enhancing replace it by promoting, etc.)

The need to develop indigenous technological capacities through education, training and research should be highlighted

Point 6.3: Restructure some sentences for clarity

Add AMCOST to AMCOW for the second bullet

For the third bullet, last sentence say ... » retain the programmatic leadership, ownership and sustainability of the process

Reduce the length of the last bullet

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- General discussions

No mention of gender

The links between GMES and the former programmes should be indicated

on page 14 add sustainability to ownership and collaboration and cooperation to partnerships