

## **REPORT OF Africa Working Group - EUWI MEETING**

**26 JULY 2010, CAPE TOWN, South-Africa**

Date: 26 July 2010  
Location: Radisson Blue Waterfront, Cape Town  
Time: 09.00- 13.30 hrs  
Participants: see Annex 1

### **Welcome and opening**

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*The co-chairs of the AWG, Mr. Reginald Tekateka (South Africa) and Mr. Durk Adema (the Netherlands) opened the meeting officially by extending a welcome to the many participants and wished everyone a successful meeting.*

*About 55 persons participated in the meeting, see also the list of attendance.  
Facilitation was done by Paul van Koppen of the Support Group to the AWG*

### **Progress reporting over previous period (Nov 2009 - July 2010), including reporting on SWA-HLM**

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The African co-chair of the AWG, Mr. Reginald Tekateka (South Africa) reported briefly on the activities since the previous AWG meeting. The report from the other co-chair will be incorporated in the update on the workplan 2010.

### **Strategy presentations and discussions**

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#### **Latest AMCOW-roadmap and planning of activities**

Presentation by Charles Ngangoue, Consultant to AMCOW Secretariat  
(powerpoint separately available)

Charles Ngangoue (ChNg) presented the 3 pillars of AMCOW plans:

- the implementation of declarations and commitments
- the Africa Water Vision 2025
- MDGs 2015

For each of these pillars, ChNg elaborated on the underlying themes and activities. The seven most important themes for the workplan were presented and also further elaborated on. Please see the power point presentation for more details. See also the AMCOW website for more information on the progress made in the tri-annual workplan.

#### **New AWG strategy and multi-annual planning**

Presentation by Stephen Young, DFID & Erma Uytewaai, IRC  
(powerpoint separately available)

Stephen Young (SY) presented the process to make the new AWG strategy in 2009 and he described the main components of it. Erma Uytewaai (EU) provided a status overview of the implementation of the current AWG workplan. While the execution of the workplan is well underway, the AWG also organised in Spring 2010 –in addition to the workplan- a donor meeting for European and other donors on Aid Effectiveness in which the first results of the GLAAS report were assessed and the way forward towards improved effectiveness of aid in the sector was discussed. The results of this Donor meeting, held in March of this year in London, were instrumental during the up-run to the HLM in working to an aligned position of the donors for the High Level Meeting of the SWA in April 2010.

See also the powerpoint for more details.

#### **Update on staffing and support architecture to AMCOW**

Presentation by Nora Dietrich, GTZ, Support Project to AMCOW

Nora Dietrich (ND) presented the nature and status of the support project from Germany and European Union to the implementation of the Sharm el Sheikh declaration. Under this support, assistance is given in the development and strengthening of the institutional capacities of the AMCOW and its Secretariat. The recruitment of two staff members to strengthen AMCOW's secretariat is well underway.

Bai-Mass Taal also informed the meeting on two additional staff members to be seconded by DWAE (SA) to support the AMCOW secretariat. Selection interviews have already taken place and final decisions are expected shortly.

#### **Activities under new funding from EC thematic budget line**

Presentation by Anemari Ciurea, Water Facility, EuropeAid

Anemari Ciurea explained the nature and status of the 1 million euros EC thematic budget. This budget will be set up as an UNDP trust fund, for which the contract is about to be signed. Thereafter, UNDP will make an inception report for the remaining period of implementation (until 2012). AC also elaborated briefly on another EC fund of 3 million euro focused at Transboundary Water Management, for which the EC is in consultation with ANBO.

#### **Activities under the Centres of Excellence,**

Presentation by Heidi Snyman, WRC

*(powerpoint separately available)*

Heidi Snyman (HS) provided an overview of the network of centres of excellence (CoC) in Africa, an initiative set up by the EC, and she explained in more detail the CoC network in Southern Africa, in which 7 centres cooperate. See also the powerpoint presentation.

#### **Identification and prioritisation of areas of collaboration and synergies**

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After the 5 presentations the participants posed questions for clarification and expressed remarks to the information given. The following subjects, amongst others, were addressed, and clarified by the speakers:

- the role and tasks division between the ES (Exec Secretariat), the AMCOW Secr, the support project for SeS and AMCOW-TAC Chair *(answer from Bai Mass Taal, the ES of AMCOW: the Secretariat in Abuja is the central point for everything related to AMCOW ('one stop shop'); the project office in Addis Ababa (supported by GTZ) focuses on support to AU and AMCOW in implementing the SeS declaration; South Africa, Minister Mrs Sonjica, is the current chair of AMCOW; the AMCOW-TAC – one of the special committees- is also being chaired by South Africa, Mr Reginald Tekateka)*
- the need to work in a focused approach, on a sub-regional level, in cooperation with other regional actors, like the RECs and civil society organisations
- the recommendation to share information and communicate, both horizontally and vertically at the different levels of the water sector (global, regional, national), including the results and successes.

### Concrete activities to be undertaken in framework of identified areas of collaboration

Participants discussed in four groups (each with around 10-15 participants) the potential of synergies between the AMCOW roadmap and the EUWI-AWG strategy and multiannual workplan. On the bases of the identified areas for synergies, activities (short term and long term) were prioritised.

To identify the possible areas for synergies the seven main themes as identified for the AMCOW workplan were assessed against the four objectives of the EUWI-AWG strategy and multi-annual workplan.

The results of the group discussions are summarised in the following matrix and will be taken further for the elaboration of the EUWI-AWG workplan (2011-2012). The full report on the group work is available in the annex.

Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV
<b>Areas for synergies</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial matter</li> <li>Water governance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation of commitments at different levels</li> <li>Ownership and sustainability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aid effectiveness and efficiency (financing mechanisms)</li> <li>Institutional strengthening</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Achieving MDG's – enhancing financing - <i>enhance aid effectiveness</i></li> <li>Strengthen governance: - <i>Capacity development</i> - <i>Knowledge sharing</i></li> </ul>
<b>Activities prioritised</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Transboundary water management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>harmonisation and integration of commitments</li> <li>assessment of status of implementation of the commitments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>elaborate an intervention strategy for institutional strengthening</li> <li>strengthen the regional integration (sub-regions)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of implications of commitments and formulation of national action plans</li> <li>Mobilising necessary resources</li> </ul>

### Planning for 2010 and beyond

The results of the exercise as summarised in the above matrix consist in some first building blocks for elaboration of workplan 2011 in which we will strive for a maximum of synergies and mutual enforcement with the activities planned by AMCOW in the tri-annual plan.

During the next AWG meeting in Stockholm further steps will be made for elaboration of workplan 2011. It is anticipated that a draft workplan for 2011 can be shared in an AWG meeting, before the end of the year. Likely to be during the third African Water week in Senegal (end of November this year).

### Wrap up and closure (AWG co-chairs)

Both chairs praised the active participation of all members and concrete steps made during the meeting contributing to further strengthening of the EUWI-AWG as an effective platform for dialogue and coordinated action to address the mayor challenges in the sector.

## Annex 1: Participants List

	Name	Organisation	Country
1	Abraham Nehemia	AMCOW-TAC Namibia	Namibia
2	Adama Diarra	TAC-Mali (regional president West-Africa)	
3	Adisse Amado	INTEGRATED WATER AND SANITATION PROGRAM OF THE EKHC DEVELOPMENT	Ethiopia
4	Akiça Bahri	African Water Facility	South-Africa
5	Akiko Yamamoto	UNDP	South- Africa
6	Alioune Kane	Water Centre of Excellence West -Africa UCAD- University Cheikh Anta Diop- Dakar Senegal	Senegal
7	Ambrois- Gilbert Bongowande	AMCOW-TAC Congo Brazzaville	Congo- Brazzaville
8	Amie Jarra	Ministry of Fisheries and Water Resources	
9	Andre Liebeart	European Commission	Belgium
10	Andrea Leone	EC Global Environment Monitoring Unit (GEM), Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission	Italy
11	Anemari Ciurea	EuropeAid	Belgium
12	B. Leleka	AMCOW- TAC Lesotho	Lesotho
13	Bai- Mass Taal	ES/ AMCOW	
14	Benson Bumba Nkhoma	African Development Bank group	
15	Carl Mitchell	USAID	US
16	Celine Dondéynaz	EC (Global Environment Monitoring Unit)- African Centres of Excellence	Italy
17	Cesar Carmona-Moreno	EC Global Environment Monitoring Unit (GEM), Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission	Spain
18	David Delienne	UNICEF	
19	Durk Adema	Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs	The Netherlands
20	Emilie Göransson	SIDA	Sweden
21	Erma Uytewaal	IRC	The Netherlands
22	Felizmina Antia	TAC- Mozambique (regional vice-president) AMCOW	
23	Fred K. Mwangi	AMCOW TAC KENYA (Ministry of Water and Irrigation Kenya)	Kenya
24	Gerald Eder	Austrian Development Cooperation	Austria
25	Charles Hakizimana	TAC-Burundi (AMCOW)	Burundi
26	Heidi Snyman	WRC (Water Research Commission)	South-Africa
27	Idrissa Doucoure	Wateraid Head of NIU/ Director CREPA	
28	Jamillah Mwanjisi	ANEW	Kenya
29	Jean Pierre Bidjocka	AMCOW-Tac chair Central Africa	
30	Jessica Troell	Environmental Law Institute/ AMCOW Secretariat	
31	Lesha Witmer	Women for Water (+rep. EUWICC)	
32	Lufti A. Madi	AMCOW-TAC Libya	Libya
33	M. Lamine Younous Kossou	Ministère de l'eau (Tcha)	Tchad
34	Mary Rusimbi	Women for Water- African representative	Tanzania
36	Mohamed Hassab Elrasoul Ahmed	TAC-Sudan (AMCOW)	Sudan
37	Monique Le Genissel	African Water Facility	South-Africa
38	Nelson Gomonda	Wateraid (Southern Africa)	
39	Nora Dietrich	Support to the AUC Water Directorate and AMCOW- GTZ	Ethiopia
40	Paul van Koppen	IRC	The Netherlands
41	Peter Akari	African Development Bank	
42	Phera Ramoeli	SADC Secretariat	
43	Rachid Talbi	AMCOW-TAC Algeria	Algeria
44	Reginald Tekateka	AMCOW-TAC chair	
45	Saadou Ebih Ould Mohammed Hacem	AMCOW (Mauritanie) Directeur du Centr National des ressources en Eau	
46	Sabrina Lucatelli	EC (Water and Energy Facility)	Italy
47	Simeon Kenfack	CREPA/ AMCOW-TAC West-Africa	
48	Simon Osa Adugu	Ministerio de pesca y medio ambiente- TAC (Afrique Central)	Equatorial Guinea
49	Simon Thuo	GWP Eastern Africa	
50	Stephen Young	DFID	UK
51	Sylvester Matemu	AMCOW vice president- Eastern Africa region	
52	Tahir Abdel-Aziz	AWAM/ Ministry of Water	Tchad
53	Tom Roberts	AfDB- Tunis	Tunisia
54	Toure Mahamane	ECOWAS/ WRCC	