



Update on AWG participation in AfricaSan 3

*AWG meeting, 24 August 2011
Stockholm*

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Highlights of EUWI AWG Activities in Kigali, Rwanda at AfricaSan3 19-21 July 2011

1. AWG Meeting 18 July

Participation of:

- AMCOW
- EU donors and EC Delegation, Rwanda
- African and EU based NGOs

Content:

- Progress update of AWG Activities
- Progress update of AMCOW Activities
- Sharing of information about upcoming events etc.
- Presentation and discussion of how AWG can support the implementation of declarations, notably in particular the e-Thekwini and the Sharm el Sheikh.



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2. Presentation of the work of EUWI AWG at Seminar convened by Sanitation and Water for All (SWA) entitled "National level planning and aid effectiveness"

Presentation of Improving Aid Effectiveness for
Water and Sanitation in Africa

Based on the following reports:

- Aid Effectiveness in the Water Sector
- Mapping of EU Support for Sanitation in Africa
- Implementation of the EU Code of Conduct
- Political Briefing Note
- Policy Brief

(Available in English and French)



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4. Other Reflections

AfricaSan well attended

**Renewed momentum towards achieving the MDG for
sanitation**

**Rwanda as host demonstrated leadership and
provided a positive environment and example**



EUWI – AWG work plan activities supporting the eThekwini and Sharm al Sheikh declarations

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Relevant areas of the EUWI AWG work plan

1. Support to implementation of declarations, notably the e-Thekwini, Sharm el Sheikh and Johannesburg declarations
2. Promote aid effectiveness and efficiency in the water and sanitation sector in Africa, e.g. by supporting the development of strategies for targeting of aid



The eThekweni declaration and AfricaSan Action Plan

Adopted at the 2nd AfricaSan Conference on 20 February 2008

Countries pledged to:

- Review/update/develop national sanitation and hygiene policies
- Establish national action plans to meet the MDG goals by 2015
- Ensure that one institution to take leadership for sanitation at country level
- Establish specific public sector budget allocations for hygiene/sanitation:
0.5% of GDP
- Give special attention to post-conflict / disaster areas
- Support AMCOW to track implementation of the declaration
- Etc



Sharm al Sheikh Commitments for accelerating the achievement of water and sanitation goals in Africa

Adopted by the 11th African Union Summit, 1 July 2008

African Union

- welcomed the eThekweni declaration;
- acknowledged the work of AMCOW; and
- committed to raise the profile of sanitation by addressing gaps as identified in eThekweni declaration
- etc

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The Water and Sanitation Program (WSP), on behalf of the AMCOW Sanitation Task Force, reported:

Proportion of e-Thekwini commitments met by region

Central Africa	55%
East Africa	71%
Southern Africa	62.5%
West Africa	71%

Main gaps in implementation:

The allocation of 0.5% of GDP for sanitation

National sanitation monitoring and evaluation systems

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Making available and spreading of information

Support and strengthening of dialogue (Africa-EU)

Build capacities

Activities to be linked to AMCOW and its work plan

What type of information/dialogue?



Continue raising the profile of water and sanitation

Emphasize on linkages between investments in water and sanitation, public health and national economic performance

Lobby for EU commitment towards implementation of these declarations

Lobby for renewed and strengthened EU commitment to Africa at Rio+20

Identify how EU support can better target the needs of African countries

Compare existing EU support with African countries' progress in reaching MDG targets

Showcase successful initiatives in fragile states

What makes some African countries more successful than others in reaching MDG targets?

What type of support has proven successful? How is there progress financed?

Showcase good examples of national water sector management and (in collaboration with EUWI Finance WG) national financing strategies

Information and dialogue: What do we want to achieve?



➤ Encourage African countries to fulfil the eThekweni commitment to allocate 0.5% of GDP for sanitation and hygiene

➤ Support African countries to strengthen national water sector management

➤ Influence EU water sector aid and development policy, improve coordination and targeting, reduce fragmentation

Support implementation of declarations

Promote aid effectiveness

Links to AMCOW Focus Areas

3.2 "Capacity building and training"

3.3 "Governance and partnerships"

3.6 "Raise profile of hygiene and sanitation"

Capacity strengthening activities (1):



Build upon the work undertaken by EUWI Finance Working Group and develop training tools / trainings:

- Effective affordable budgeting for overall efficiency at national and local level
- Strategic aid management
- Practical and innovative approaches for mobilizing local resources

(co-financing to conduct trainings will be sought)

[Links to AMCOW Focus Area 3.2 "Capacity building and training"](#)

Capacity strengthening activities (2)



Support AMCOW in its monitoring systems for water and sanitation coverage:

- EUWI-AWG to focus on aid-related issues
- Maintain strong coordination with AMCOW, Sanitation Task Force, GLAAS, JMP

Activities

- Definition of indicators to track and measure the impact of financing
- Definition of indicators to track aid effectiveness
- Conduct donor/investment mapping at (African) country levels
- Identify information on existing cooperation modalities (and link this information to the EU Code of Conduct on aid effectiveness)

[Links to AMCOW Focus Areas](#)
[3.2 "Capacity building and training"](#)
[3.5 "Reporting and monitoring"](#)



Important considerations

Strong communication activities important to ensure produced information reach its target groups for maximum impact

Close interactions between the EUWI-AWG and AMCOW secretariat are necessary to ensure well-targeted support to the implementation of these declarations

AWG interaction with the Sanitation Task Force and other monitoring initiatives (GLAAS, JMP etc) important in all M&E-related activities

Thank you!