



## **EUWI-Africa Working Group**

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### **Progress Update**

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### **Update on progress**

- AWG Workplan 2011 - Overview
- Activities
- Financial and staff resources
- Way forward

## AWG Work Plan 2011 - Overview

Strategic Objectives	Activities January-August 2011
1) Implementation of declarations	- Support dialogue on the implementation of eThekwini declaration amongst others
2) Aid effectiveness and efficiency	- Strategy for the dissemination of AWG studies - Mainstreaming of key EUWI AWG results into EU policy
3) Ownership and multi-stakeholder partnership	- Two AWG meetings: Brussels (jointly with FWG) & Kigali - AWG involved in discussions of EUWI thematic strategy - AWG governance review
4) Advocacy and knowledge sharing	- Website updated - Two newsletters (French and English) (Feb & Aug 2011) - Communication with UNDP country offices - Extended Troika teleconferences held monthly - Publication of briefing notes - Capacity Building

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### **1) Implementation of declarations**

#### • *Support dialogue on the implementation of eThekwini declaration amongst others*

- Process to develop implementation strategy for eThekwini and Sharm-el-Sheikh declarations is ongoing

- Since Kigali meeting: consultant made new version based on interviews and group discussion in Kigali. Support team now continues working on a draft detailed strategy to be presented to AWG.

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### 2) Aid Effectiveness and Efficiency

- *Strategy for the dissemination of AWG studies*
  - Policy brief and political briefing notes summarize study results (Code of conduct, SanMap, WaterMap studies)
  - Strategy prepared, dissemination ongoing
  - Studies published online + presented at AfricaSan 3 and World Water Week 2011
- *Mainstreaming of key EUWI AWG results into EU policy*
  - Political briefing note used to provide inputs for the conclusions of the EU council (June 2011)

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### 3) Multi-stakeholder Partnership

- *AWG meeting in Brussels (jointly with FWG) 25 May*
  - Participation of EU donors, European NGOs, AMCOW
- *AWG meeting in Kigali (before AfricaSan3) 18 July*
  - Participation of AMCOW, EU donors, European and African NGOs
- *AWG involved in discussions of EUWI thematic strategy*
  - Participation in EUWI coordination group meeting 26 May
  - Participation of EU donors, European NGOs, AMCOW

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### **3) Multi-stakeholder Partnership**

- *AWG governance review*
  - Goal: Improved governance of the AWG
  - Output: Final report March 2011, with recommendations on future governance
  - Status: Report discussed in AWG meeting in Brussels 25 May; decisions on and implementation of recommendations ongoing

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### **4) Advocacy & Knowledge sharing**

- *Website updated*
  - Studies uploaded & downloaded  
([Political Briefing Note, 258 downloads!](#))
  - Basic information updated
- *A newsletter (French and English) (Feb 2011)*
  - *Since Kigali meeting: August newsletter published (EN/FR)*
- *Communication with UNDP country offices*
  - AWG presented to African UNDP country offices through UNDP newsletter

## Activities of AWG in 2011

### **4) Advocacy & Knowledge sharing**

- *Publication of briefing notes*
  - Sanitation Mapping and Aid Effectiveness Briefing notes, as well as Policy Brief and Political Briefing Note finalized; in hard copies and pdf versions
- *Extended Troika Teleconferences held monthly*
- *Capacity Building*
  - Identified source of support for capacity development focusing on water related integrity issues

## Extra activities of AWG in 2010

### **Hungarian EU presidency issues paper on water**

- *Support to Hungarian EU presidency drafting of issues paper on “The role of Water in EU Development Policy”*

## Financial resources for AWG

As from end-2010

- EC-thematic budget line (about 1m €, until 2012) through a UNDP trust fund

## Staff resources for AWG

- EUWI AWG Secretariat/Support Group at UNDP/SIWI, Stockholm, Sweden, since end 2010
- Secretariat/Support Group now complete with full time programme manager, Ms Birgitta Liss Lymer

## Way forward, next steps

- Continued implementation of dissemination strategy for AWG reports
- Further support to AMCOW work plan
- AWG and the process towards Rio 2012
  - Discussions today
- New European co-chair
- New African co-chair

*Thank you!*