AU/NEPAD AFRICAN NETWORKS OF WATER CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE

African Ministerial Council on Science & Technology



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epad The AU/NEPAD Networks of Water **Centres of Excellence** Scientific research to achieve Impact in the African Water Sector. **KNOWLEDGE PARTNERS ACROSS AFRICA**



Our Mandate - 2006

The African Ministerial Councils on

Science and Technology (AMCOST)



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Every drop counts, Count ever



African Ministers' Council on Water



Authorized the CoE initiative to run under NEPAD's Office of Science and Technology

(Cairo Resolution, 2006)





Networks of Higher **Education- and Research institutions** across Africa, who conduct high-end scientific research on water and related sectors, in order to achieve policy impact with governments.





FOCUS AREAS

Own activities and support (CAP-NET; GWP; WaterNet etc.)

- 1. Research and Development (including infrastructure) through innovation;
- 2. Human capacity development;
- 3. Research- utilization, -impact and evaluation;
- 4. Outreach through networking; conferences and workshops;
- 5. Strategic partnerships and
- 6. Financial sustainability.











Institutions

Southern Africa

- Stellenbosch University (South Africa) – as the Secretariat and hub
- International Centre for Water
 Economics and Governance in
 Africa (Mozambique) Node
- University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa) - Node
- University of Western Cape (South Africa) - Node
- University of Malawi (Malawi) -Node
- University of Zambia (Zambia) -Node
- University of Botswana (Botswana)
 Node
- The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, CSIR (South Africa) – Node
- Namibia Polytechnic (Nam)
- National University of S&T (Zim)

Western Africa

- University of Cheikh Anta Diop (Senegal) - Hub
- International Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering (Burkina Faso)
- Université of Benin (Nigeria)
- National Water Resources Institute (Nigeria)
- Kwame Nkrumah University for Sciences and Technology (Ghana)





AMCOW Resolution - 2013

EXCO/11/2013/CAIRO/17: EXCO notes the growing human resources shortages to achieve water and sanitation goals in Africa and directs the Secretariat to work with the

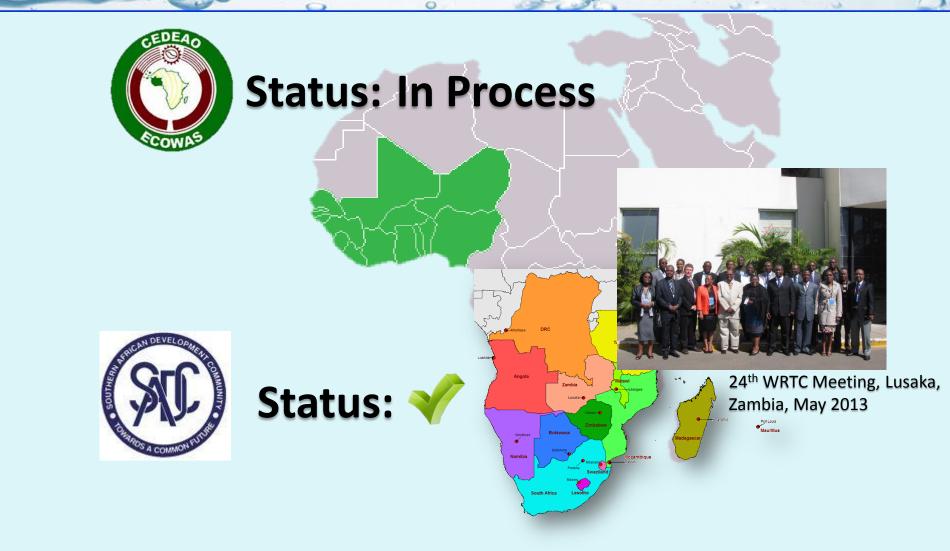


- AUC and NEPAD Centres of Excellence to develop a Human Capacity Development
- Programme aimed at addressing junior
- professional and technician level capacity challenges
- in the water sector. (Decision of the 11th AMCOW Executive Committee of
- the African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW) on 6th June 2013 in Cairo, Egypt) www.nepadwatercoe.org



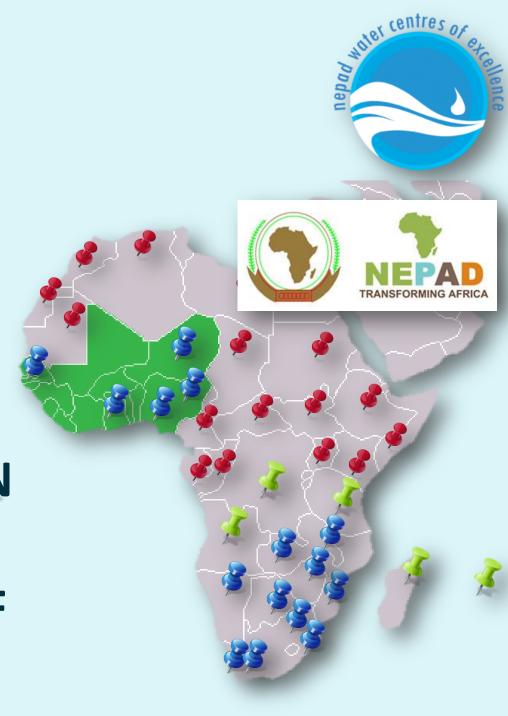
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EUROPEAN COMMISSION SUPPORT FOR THE AU/NEPAD AFRICAN NETWORKS OF WATER CENTRES OF **EXCELLENCE**







Project title: NEPAD African Network of Centres of Excellence on Water Sciences and Technology (Phase II)

Project status: A proposal was approved by the EC DG-DEVCO in April 2015, with a budget of **EURO 6 million**.

The project will support, amongst others, the development of a human capacity development strategy for Junior Professional and technician level. The implementation will start early 2016 with facilitation of the EC JRC and UNESCO-IHP.





4 clusters of activities:

Enlargement of the network to Central and Eastern Africa

Knowledge and data management for water security and climate change -> water security atlas

Regional databases on climate variability impact on water resources management

Implementation of the AMCOW declaration on junior professional and technician at regional and national level, 3 regions + 14 countries

Pilot applications in 3 countries



EC Phase II Project

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Western African CoE Network members

- University of Cheikh Anta Diop (Senegal)- Hub
- International Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering (Burkina Faso)
- University of Benin (Nigeria)
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- Kwame Nkrumah University for Sciences and Technology (Ghana)

Southern African CoE Network members

- Stellenbosch University (South Africa) Hub
- International Centre for Water Economics and Governance in Africa (Mozambique)
- University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa)
- University of Western Cape (South Africa)
- University of Malawi (Malawi)
- University of Zambia (Zambia)
- University of Botswana (Botswana)
- The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, CSIR (South Africa)

Eastern and Central Africa

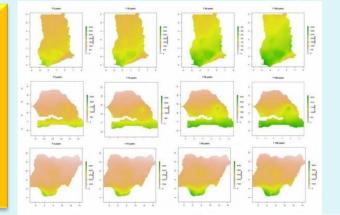
• Selection to be carried out 2016-2017

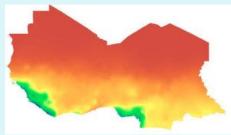




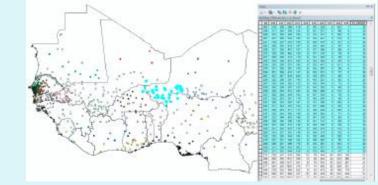
Scientific activities supporting policy making

Knowledge and data management for water security and climate change -> water security atlas





Regional databases on climate variability impact on water resources management





Implementation of the AMCOW declaration on junior professional and technician at regional and national level, 3 regions + 14 countries

- 1 Establish the common sector priorities for higher education institutions at regional level in Western, Southern, Central and Eastern Africa
- 2 Establish a national Human Capacity Development Programme addressing junior professional and technician level capacity challenges in all the NEPAD CoE Countries



Pilot applications in 3 countries

Implement the Human **Capacity Development** Programme addressing junior professional and technician level capacity challenges in one country per region in collaboration with relevant institutions and fostering sustainable capacity development approach





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