

6TH W O R L D W A T E R F O R U M

Priority for Action 1.5.9.

“Keeping capacity building on water management smart and simple: the twinning approach”



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Thursday March 15th, 2012 : 17h – 19h

1. Additional ideas & solutions

- *Twinning between transboundary river basin organisations and their sub-basins organisations at national level (upstream, downstream or on tributaries and lakes) offer great synergies, especially when tackling with monitoring, capacity building and planning issues.*
- *Twinning help avoiding reproducing mistakes made by sister-institutions and allow to better understand the long term perspective, even if the sustainable way is a bit more costly on the short term (immediate necessary costs for ownership, participative planning, capacity building); the exchange of experiences represents the background of this improvement*
- *Twinning can be developed at national level (legal and institutional frameworks; financial mechanisms ...), river basin level (governance for river basin institutions) or local level (water, sanitation, pollution control adapted solutions).*

2. Final list of commitments

- *At international level, responding to the request by the UN General Assembly in its resolution of 26 July 2010, French water agencies are committed to provide 1% of their financial resources for sustainable international cooperation actions , by 2015 (or 20M € / year), in the field of water and sanitation.*
- *French water agencies will keep on providing support to institutional twinning river basins for foreign countries seeking to promote the establishment of river basin organizations or strengthening existing structures.*

3. Updated list of speakers and panelists

- Chairman : Jacques Oudin, Président de la Commission Internationale de l'Agence de l'Eau Loire –Bretagne
- Reporters : Oscar de Moraes Cordeiro Netto, Head of the Graduate Program on Environmental Technology and Water Resources. UnB – University of Brasilia et Gérard Wolff, Responsable for European Cooperation Projects – General Council of Hérault – France.
- Speakers:
 - Mr Mohamed OULD MERZOUG, OMVS High Commissioner
 - Mr Puy LIM, Vice-President
 - Mr Vuong BUI TRAN, Director, Division for Water Resources Planning and Investigation for the South of Vietnam
 - Mr Souphasay KOMANY, Director, Nam Ngum River Basin Committee Secretariat
 - Ms. Pakawan Chufamanee, Director, Bureau of Mekong Management
 - Mr Hans Guttman, MRC CEO
 - Mr Jean-Yves GROSCLAUDE, Technical Operations Manager
 - Mrs Maria BABUKCHIEVA, Head of Department "Water management plans and information system"
 - Mrs Hannah IETSWAART, Programme Manager
 - Mr Hubert CHAMBERLAND, Président du COVABAR, Président du ROBAN
 - Mrs Célia LEVINET, Directrice de l'EPTB Charente
 - Mrs Karin M. KRCHNAK, Senior Advisor

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