

Mediterranean Network of Basin Organisations (MENBO)
Réseau Méditerranéen des organismes de Bassin (REMOB)
Red Mediterránea de Organismos de Cuenca (REMOB)



Liaison Bureau
 Rome – November 2007



AGENDA

- 1) Opening of the Bureau and welcome of the assistants: introduction of the Permanent Technical Secretariat of MENBO.
- 2) Announcement of the members to be approved in the next General Assembly.
- 3) Consideration of the agreements and results of the 6th Meeting of MENBO's Liaison Bureau, celebrated in Debrecen in June 2007.
- 4) Presentation of yearly accounts.
- 5) Network progress: Activities, Projects, New EU proposals
- 6) Call to the next General Assembly
- 7) Other topics: announcements, proposals
- 8) Closing of the Liaison Bureau



1. OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY

Meeting	Date	Location
1st Constitutive Assembly	Nov. 2003	Valencia
1 st Liaison Bureau	26/09/2004	Krakow
2 nd General Assembly	11/10/2004	Istanbul
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3 rd Liaison Bureau	23/05/2005	Marrakech
3rd General Assembly	25/05/2005	Marrakech
4 th Liaison Bureau	28/09/2005	Namur
5 th Liaison Bureau	17/03/2006	Mexico City
4 th General Assembly	05/11/2006	Athens
6 th Liaison Bureau	06/06/2007	Debrecen
7 th Liaison Bureau	Nov. 2007	Rome
5th General Assembly	Nov. 2007	Rome



1. OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY

- **President: HE Minister Mohamed Elyazghi**
- **Permanent Technical Secretary: Teodoro Estrela Monreal**
- **Permanent Technical Secretariat**
- **General Assembly + Executive Committee**

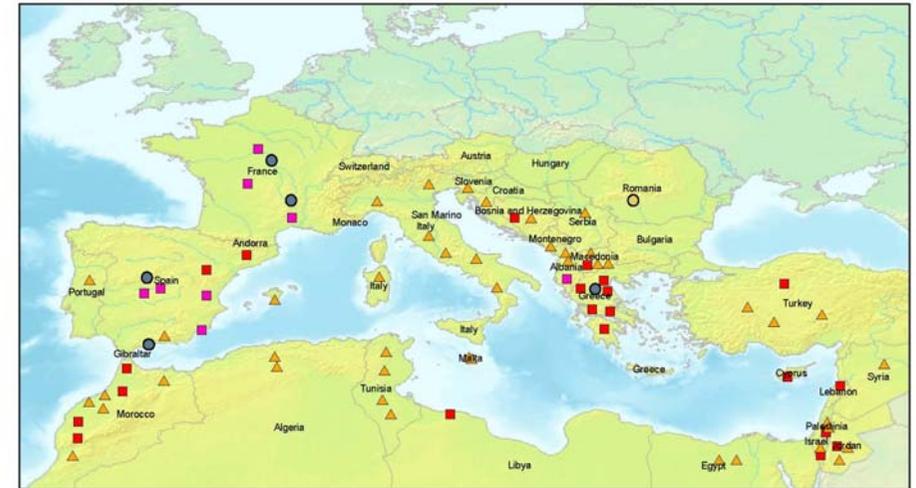


2. NEW MEMBERS

Announcement of the members to be approved in the General Assembly:

- **TURKEY:** General Directorate of State Hydraulic Works (DSI)
- **JORDAN:** Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI)

⇒ Currently there are 28 members from 13 different Mediterranean countries



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Current state of recruitment members
NOVEMBER 2007



3. CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENTS

- Consideration of the agreements and results of the 6th Meeting of MENBO's Liaison Bureau, celebrated in Debrecen (Hungary) in June 2007 on the occasion of INBO's General Assembly.



4. YEARLY ACCOUNTS 2005

DETAIL OF REVENUES

OIEAU/RIOC, Tensift RBO, CHJ	52.037,67€
Subscription fees 2005	0€

DETIL OF REVENUES

General management	10.140,00€
Event preparation	25.231,11€
Other expenses (travel sponsoring, material, etc.)	8.146,20€
SUBTOTAL	43.517,31€

TOTAL BALANCE FOR 2005	8.520,36€
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4. YEARLY ACCOUNTS 2006

DETAIL OF REVENUES

OIEAU/RIOC, CHJ, GWP-Med	23.981,43€
Subscription fees 2006	0€

DETIL OF EXPENSES

General management	9.292,00€
Event preparation	10.979,13€
Other expenses (travel sponsoring, material, etc.)	3.596,48€
SUBTOTAL	23.867,61€

TOTAL BALANCE FOR 2006 **113,82€**



4. YEARLY ACCOUNTS 2007

A – DETAIL OF REVENUES

PTS self-funding and other incomes	
from projects (facilitation/expert's assignments)	19.008,06€
OIEAU	11.695,94€
GWP-Med	7.312,12€
Spanish Government	80.934,22€
Subscription fees 2007	0€

TOTAL INCOME FOR 2007 **99.942,28€**



4. YEARLY ACCOUNT 2007

B- DETAIL OF EXPENSE

PTS Running	91.345,20€
Overall coordination, Website	
Official meetings, Promotion Media	
Events organisation	8.126,42€
Translation Services	3.189,20€
Travel + Accommodation	4.937,22€
5 th General Assembly + 5 th Liaison Bureau (Debrecen)	
TOTAL EXPENES	9.9471,62€

TOTAL ESTIMATED FOR 2007 **470,66€**



5.1 Network Progress: Activities

- September 2006: Participation in the “Europe-INBO” International Conference celebrated in Megève (France)





5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- 19-20 October 2006: Participation in the World Liaison Bureau Meeting of the International Network of Basin Organisations (INBO), celebrated in Debrecen (Hungary)

A representative from MENBO attended this meeting offering a presentation on the Network's progress and proposed topics to be covered during INBO's International Assembly 2007:

- The importance of water planning in IWRM
- Flood prevention programmes



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- 5th November 2006: Organisation of a Cooperation Session on the Mediterranean and MENBO 4th General Assembly (Athens, Greece).



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- Participation in the Euro-Mediterranean Water Directors Conference, celebrated in Athens, Greece on the 6-7th November.



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- Participation in the Water Demand Management, Progress and Policies regional Workshop, celebrated in Saragossa, Spain from the 19th to the 21st March 2007.

MENBO was in charge of the elaboration and presentation of the **Spanish National Report** "*Monitoring progress and promotion of water demand management policies*" within the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development for Blue Plan.



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- Participation in the Workshop “Integrated Water Resources Management in Libya, celebrated in Tripoli, Libya on the 11-12th April 2007.



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- 7-9 June 2007: Participation in INBO’s General Assembly and Liaison Bureau Meeting celebrated in Debrecen (Hungary).



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- Participation in the International Workshop on Integrated Water Resources Management organised by the TWINBASIN project celebrated 6th June 2007 in Debrecen (Hungary).

MENBO presented in Cooperation with representatives of the Buzau River Basin (Romania) the positive results of the twinning between the Romanian and the Júcar River Basin in Spain



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- Participation in the Harmoni-CA final Conference in Brussels, Belgium 25-27 September 2007.

MENBO attended this Conference as representative of the Steering Committee of the SPI-Water project. Workshops of this project were organised in the frame of the conference to further publish the utility of the webportal developed.



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- Participation in the Inter-Regional Consulting Partners meeting for the CACENA, CEE and MED regions of the Global Water Partnership. Varna, Bulgaria, 5-7 October 2007.



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- Participation in the Water Days celebrated in Athens (Greece) on 21-23 October 2007.
- During the course of this event, GWP-Med celebrated a Partnership Council Meeting as well as Consulting Partners Meeting. The Conference on Horizon 2020 also took place within the framework of the Water Days.



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- SPI-Water: Participation to Steering Committee and Interfacing Group Meetings, steering of Technical Meetings in Fez, February 2007 and Thessaloniki, October 2007



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

Upcoming events

- Nov 2007: MELIA 1st Workshop: "Water culture and water conflict in the Mediterranean Area", Hammamet (Tunisia)
- Dec 2007: 4th Euromed & South-East European Water Directors conference, Ljubljana (Slovenia)
- Feb 2008: SPI-Water project Workshop with North African partners on the WISE-RTD web portal, Fez (Morocco)
- Jun-Sep 2008: EXPO Zaragoza, MENBO expects to run a stand

5.2 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROJECTS

6th Framework Programme for Research of the EC

“TWINBASIN” (Basin Twinning) promoted by INBO for the exchange of staff, experience and knowledge between basins.



- MENBO: Leader of the working group “Twinning” and member of the Steering Committee
- Collaboration and establishment of the work methodology
- Elaboration of working documents
- Development of 1 twinning within the pilot phase and two during the final phase
- Encouragement of three other twinings



5.2 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROJECTS

- **TWINBASIN (continuation)**
- Main organisations: OIEAU/INBO, GWPO
- Tasks:



- Participation in meetings
- Promotion of the project amongst members and collaborators of MENBO

More Information: www.twinbasin.org
Contact: Alain Bernard

5.3 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROJECTS

“MELIA”: Mediterranean Dialogue on Integrated Water Management

- Promoted by “Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas” (CSIC) and the International Center for Med. Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM-IAMB)
- Objective: create an efficient regional management of water resources under scarcity conditions and to improve communication amongst Mediterranean countries.
- Started in September 2006



5.3 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROJECTS

- **Project “MELIA”(continuation)**
- MENBO’s role: participation in 5 working groups
 - Assessment of Technological Perspectives in Water Management
 - Water Policy
 - Prevention and Mitigation of water conflicts
 - Building Knowledge
 - Recommendations on the application of the WFD (co- leader of the group)
- Participation of representatives of practically the whole group of Mediterranean countries





5.4 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROJECTS

SPI-Water: Setting up a mechanism to enhance the use of RTD tools and extend the implementation of the WFD to non-EU countries

- MENBO is the leader of working group related to the EUWI (pilot river basins: Sebou, Morocco and Litani, Lebanon)
- Kick off meeting celebrated in Brussels in November 2006



More information: www.spi-water.eu
www.wise-rtd.info



5.5 NETWORK PROGRESS: PROPOSALS

NEW EUROPEAN PROPOSALS

- **MIRAGE**: 7th Framework Programme. Project on Temporary Water Bodies. “**M**editerranean **I**ntermittent **R**iver **M**an**A**gement”.
- **DiaFRAFF**: 7th Framework Programme. Project on Flash Floods. “**D**iagnostic **F**ramework for **R**isk **A**ssessment for **F**lash **F**loods”.



6. Call to the next General Assembly



8-10 November, Rome



- The first statutory session of the General Assembly of MENBO will take place at 11.30 tomorrow morning.
- The second session of the Assembly will be held on Friday at 17.00, and several programmes and initiatives will be presented.



7. Other Topics



Announcements and Proposals

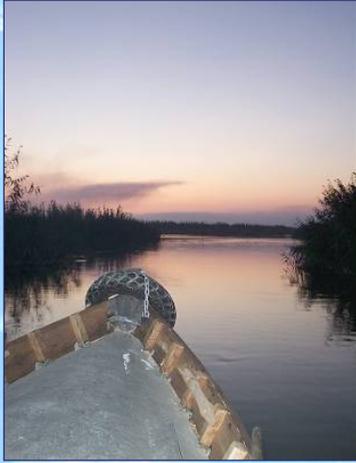


- MENBO was accepted in October 2007 as observer in the Strategic Coordination Group of the Water Framework Directive, and will be able to participate in meetings.
- Proposals to celebrate 2008 Liaison bureau and General Assembly meetings.
- Other announcements?





8. CLOSING OF THE BUREAU



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GRACIAS!

MERCI!

THANK YOU!



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