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





Liaison Bureau – Members Assembly Sibiu – 1 October 2008





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.
- Consideration of the agreements and results of the 5th Meeting of MENBO's General Assembly, celebrated in Rome in November 2007.
- 4) Yearly Accounts 2007 and Accounts estimate 2008.
- 5) Network progress:
 - 1) Activities
 - 2) Projects
- 6) Call to the next General Assembly.
- 7) Other topics: announcements, proposals.
- 8) Closing of the Liaison Bureau & Members Assembly.



1. OPENING

| Meeting | Date | Location |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1st Constitutive Assembly | Nov. 2003 | Valencia |
| 1st Liaison Bureau | 26/09/2004 | Krakow |
| 2 nd Members Assembly | 11/10/2004 | Istanbul |
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| 3 rd Liaison Bureau | 23/05/2005 | Marrakech |
| 3 rd 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 Members Assembly | 05/11/2006 | Athens |
| 6 th Liaison Bureau | 06/06/2007 | Debrecen |
| 7 th Liaison Bureau | 07/11/2007 | Rome |
| 5 th General Assembly | 08 & 09/11/2007 | Rome |
| 8 th Liaison Bureau | 08/07/2008 | Saragossa |

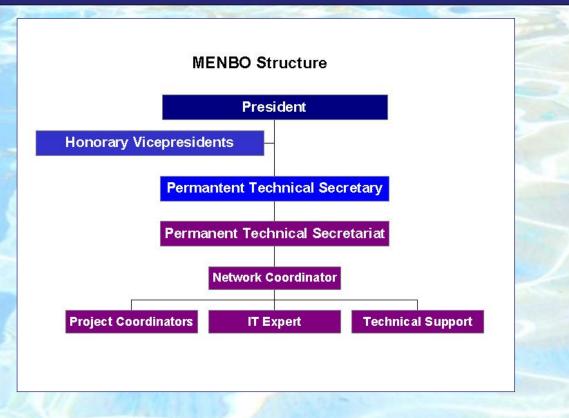


1. OPENING

- President: Mr. Walter Mazzitti
- Permanent Technical Secretary: Mr. Teodoro Estrela
- Permanent Technical Secretariat based in:
 - Júcar River Basin Authority (Valencia, SPAIN)
- General Assembly + Executive Committee



1. OPENING



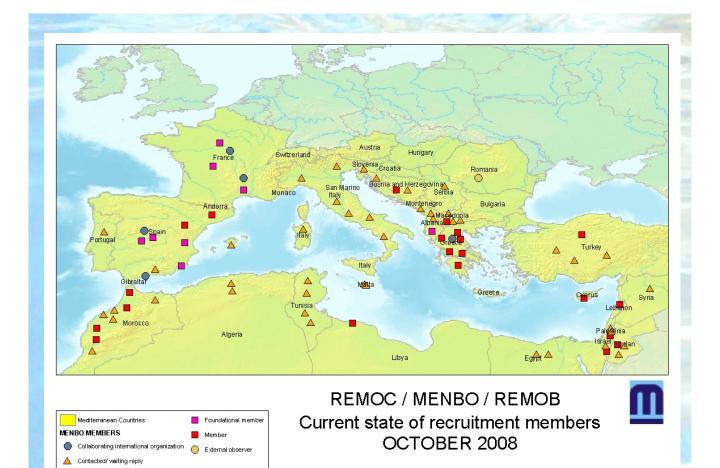


2. NEW MEMBERS

Announcement of the members to be approved in the next General Assembly (2009):

• LEBANON: Litani River Authority, Beirut (LRA)

⇒Currently there are 29 members from 13 different Mediterranean countries





3. CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENTS

 Consideration of the agreements and results of the last Meeting of MENBO's General Assembly, celebrated in Rome (Italy) in November 2007 on the occasion of the International Conference Europe-INBO 2007.







4. YEARLY ACCOUNTS 2007

Audited accounts for tax year 2007 available on request. External auditor: FRANCISCO PALAU CORTES

- Nº of Registration Auditor (R.E.G.A.) 10319
- Official Registry of Auditors (R.O.A.C.) 15287





4. ACCOUNTS ESTIMATE 2008

A - DETAIL OF REVENUES

PTS self-funding and other incomes from projects (facilitation/expert's assignments) 34.070,95€

Spanish Government60.649,89€Subscription fees 20080€

TOTAL INCOME FOR 2008 94.720,84€



4. YEARLY ACCOUNTS 2008

B- DETAIL OF EXPENSE

PTS Running 84.413,54€

Overall coordination, Website

Official meetings, Promotion Media

Events organisation 10.140,78€

Catering Services 633.35€

Translation Services 2.331,10€

Travel + Accommodation 7.176,33€

TOTAL EXPENSES 94.554,32€

TOTAL ESTIMATED FOR 2008 166,52€



5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

•1st MELIA Workshop: Participation in the Management Board Meeting and the 1st Workshop of the project, in Hammamet, Tunisia, 22-26 November 2007.





 4th Conference of the Water Directors of the Euro-Mediterranean and South-eastern European Countries, Bled, Slovenia, 10-11 December 2007





5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

•SPI-Water project: Participation to Steering Committee and Interfacing Group Meetings, steering of Technical Meetings in Fez, February 2008





 Feb 2008: Organisation of the 3rd SPI-Water project Workshop with Moroccan and Lebanese participants, Fez (Morocco)







5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

 June 2008: INBO Session on the occasion of the "International Conference on water resources management under extreme conditions – ECWATECH" in Moscow, Russia







 July 2008: INBO-MENBO-ERP Meeting and Liaison Bureau of MENBO during the EXPO in Saragossa (Spain)







5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

 July 2008: Participation in the Euro-Mediterranean and South-eastern Water Directors Meeting, in Athens (Greece)





 July 2008: Participation in Thematic Week on Drought organised by the Water Tribune during the EXPO in Saragossa (Spain)







5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

- September 2008: Meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee for the "Preparatory Process towards the Mediterranean Session" for the 5th WWF in Istanbul 2009, Marseille (France).
 - Meeting with the World Water Council to present the progress of the Process towards the Mediterranean Session.
 - It was established that the President of MENBO, Mr Walter Mazzitti, will be the Chair of the debate between the Panel of Personalities during the Mediterranean Session of the 5th World Water Forum in Istanbul 2009.



August 2008: Participation in the GWP
 Consulting Partners Meeting and contribution in
 the Water & Climate Change Session, during
 the World Water Week, in Stockholm (Sweden)







5.1 NETWORK PROGRESS: ACTIVITIES

Upcoming events

- 9 Oct. 2008: Strategic Coordination Group Meeting, Common Implementation Strategy (CIS), Brussels (Belgium)
- 27-29 Oct. 2008: Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on Water, Amman (Jordan)
- 30-31 Oct. 2008: SPI-Water Project Final Conference, Brussels (Belgium)
- 29 Oct.- 2 Nov. 2008: MELIA 2nd Workshop on Technological Perspectives for Rational Use of Water Resources in the Med Region, Marrakech (Morocco)
- 11-13 Nov. 2008: Constitutive Assembly of the Latin-American Network of Basin Organisations (RELOC), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)



5.2 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.
 - www.meliaproject.eu
 - 2006 2010





5.2 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)

Mediterranean Dialogue on Entegrated Water Hanagement

5.2 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
- Final Conference to take place in Brussels, Oct. 2008



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





6. Call to the next General Assembly



Autumn 2009



 The next General Assembly of MENBO is scheduled for Autumn 2009.



Possibility of celebrating it on the occasion of EURO INBO 2009.





7. Other Topics







Announcements and Proposals

- MENBO was accepted in October 2007 as observer in the <u>Strategic Coordination Group</u> of the Water Framework Directive, and will continue to participate in the related meetings.
- MENBO is an active member of the Ad Hoc Committee towards the <u>Mediterranean Session</u> for the 5th World Water Forum in Istanbul, March 2009. MENBO will attend the next meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee to be held in Tunisia and Madrid.
- INVITATION!!! SPI-Water Final Conference, 30-31 October, Brussels (Belgium).



8. CLOSING OF THE BUREAU



GRACIAS!

MERCI!

THANK YOU!



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