



GEF UNEP MedProgramme Child Project 2.1 “Mediterranean Coastal Zones, Water Security, Climate Resilience and Habitat Protection”

UNESCO-IHP Component 2 on “Management of Coastal Aquifers and Related Ecosystems”



2nd Regional Training Course on “Conjunctive Management Solutions of Surface and Groundwater: Governance and Policies”

17-18 July 2024

Confederación Hidrográfica del Júcar (CHJ), Valencia, Spain

Draft Agenda

Working languages: English and French, with simultaneous interpretation

20h30	Welcome dinner	16 July 2024
DAY 1 – 17 July 2024		
08:30	Accreditation at the Jucar River Basin Authority	
9:00 – 10:30	Opening session Chair: Rita Marteleira, UNESCO	
9:00 – 9:30	Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Patrice Moix, Division of Water Sciences, UNESCO-IHP (<i>virtual</i>)María Dolores Pascual Vallés, General Director Water, Ministry for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge of Spain (<i>virtual</i>)Miguel Polo Cebellán, President, Confederación Hidrográfica del Júcar (CHJ)Ramiro Martínez Costa, General Coordinator, MENBO	
9:30 – 10:00	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Introduction to UNESCO’s component of the GEF UNEP MedProgramme, Rita Marteleira, UNESCOIntroduction to the Training Course: Ramiro Martínez Costa, MENBO Coordinator	
10:00 – 10:30	Round of introductions of national institutions’ representatives and experts (Albania, Algeria, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco, Tunisia)	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Session 1: Institutional settings for conjunctive management	

Chair: Rita Marteleira, UNESCO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote speaker: Teodoro Estrela Monreal, Confederación Hidrográfica del Júcar, CHJ • Interventions of national experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ahmed Kettab, Algeria ○ Nadim Farajalla, Lebanon ○ Dina Skarep-Radonjic, Montenegro ○ Habib Chaieb, Tunisia Topics of discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Competent authorities ○ Allocation of roles and responsibilities ○ Coordination between competent authorities • Debate
12:30 – 14:00 Session 2: Policy frameworks and legislation for water resources management
Chair: Teodoro Estrela Monreal, Confederación Hidrográfica del Júcar, CHJ
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote Speaker: Joaquín Andreu Álvarez, Polytechnic University of Valencia • Interventions of national experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Abd Alraheem Huwaysh, Libya ○ Ahmed Kettab, Algeria ○ Dina Skarep-Radonjic, Montenegro ○ Fouad Amraoui, Morocco Topics of discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Underlying principles and priorities: water planning ○ Integrated water resources management at basin level ○ Water allocations to different water uses ○ Protection of surface and groundwater resources ○ Financial arrangements • Debate
14:00 – 15:30 Lunch at the Jucar River Basin Authority
15:30 – 17:00 Session 3: Stakeholders’ engagement in conjunctive management
Chair: Rita Marteleira, UNESCO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote Speaker: Juan Valero de Palma Manglano, EIC, FENACORE • Interventions of national experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Entela Vako, Albania ○ Dina Skarep-Radonjic, Montenegro ○ Fouad Amraoui, Morocco ○ Habib Chaieb, Tunisia Topics of discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public participation at water planning stage ○ Public participation in governing and management bodies ○ Public participation in conjunctive management solutions of surface and groundwater • Debate • Closing of day 1
DAY 2 – 18 July 2024
9:00 – 10:30 Session 4: Financial mechanisms for sustainable conjunctive management
Chair: Rita Marteleira, UNESCO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote Speaker: Teodoro Estrela Monreal, CHJ / Representative World Bank (tbc) • Interventions of national experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Entela Vako, Albania

- Nadim Farajalla, Lebanon
- Abd Alraheem Huwaysh, Libya
- Fouad Amraoui, Morocco

Topics of discussion:

- National and regional financial mechanisms
- The role of international donors to promote sustainable conjunctive management solutions
- Debate

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 14:00 Technical Visit: Water Tribunal of Valencia, City Center

14:00 – 15:30 Lunch at the Jucar River Basin Authority

15:30 – 17:00 Session 5: Communication and information sharing

Chair: Teodoro Estrela Monreal, Confederación Hidrográfica del Júcar, CHJ

- **Keynote Speaker:** Concepción Marcuello Olona, DGA
- **Interventions of national experts:**
 - Entela Vako, Albania
 - Ahmed Kettab, Algeria
 - Nadim Farajalla, Lebanon
 - Habib Chaieb, Tunisia

Topics of discussion:

- Monitoring networks: data acquisition, information gathering
- Information accessibility and data sharing
- The role of national and regional information systems
- Communication strategies at different scales
- **Debate**

17:00 – 17:30 Final remarks and the way forward

- Rita Marteleira, UNESCO
- Miguel Polo Cebellán, CHJ/MENBO
- Concepción Marcuello Olona, Ministry of Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain

