



Sustainable Water
Integrated Management (SWIM) -
Support Mechanism



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**SWIM-SM Kickoff Meeting of the Pilot Implementation for
the M&E System to Monitor and Evaluate PIM/IMT Process**

Background & Purpose of the Mission

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The SWIM Programme

Sustainable Water Integrated Management (SWIM) is a Regional Technical Support Programme funded by the EU.

It aims at actively promoting the design, adoption and extensive dissemination of sustainable water management policies and practices in the following Partners Countries:

Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Libya the occupied Palestinian territory, Syria and Tunisia

The SWIM Programme consists of two inter-related and complementary components:

COMPONENTS of The SWIM PROGRAM

1) The **SWIM-DM**, with a budget of 15 mil Euros, was launched in the last quarter of 2011 through the award of 5 Demonstration Projects.

The demonstration projects address integrated water management and de-pollution of the Mediterranean, within the areas of intervention identified in the conclusions of the Ministerial Meeting held in Jordan in 2008.

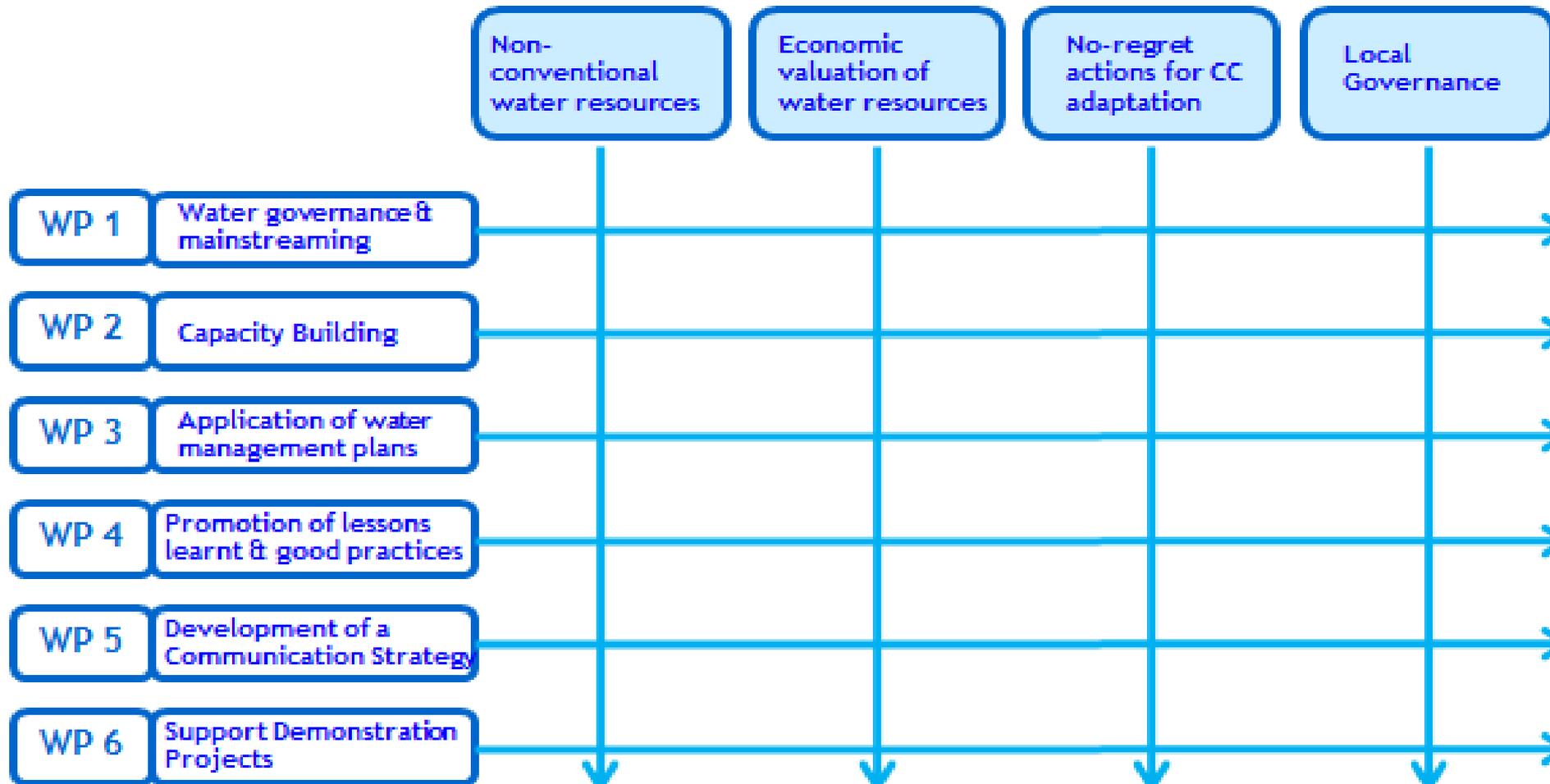
2) The **SWIM - SM** is a four-year (2011-2014) programme with a budget of 6.7 mil Euros.

Specific objectives of SWIM-SM

- (1) Raise the awareness of decision-makers and stakeholders in the Partner Countries on existing and upcoming threats on water resources, on the necessity to switch to more viable water consumption models as well as on possible solutions to face the challenges;**
- (2) Support the Partner Countries in designing and implementing sustainable water management policies at the national and local levels, in liaison with on-going relevant international initiatives;**
- (3) Contribute to institutional strengthening, to the development of the necessary planning and management skills and to the transfer of know-how.**

THE SWIM WORK PACKAGES AND PILLARS

SWIM-SM provides strategic and focused technical assistance to the PCs along six types of interventions (work packages) under four pillars



SWIM Activities related to WUAs

2012

- Regional assessment on the status of WUAs in the Project Countries (PCs).
- Expert Group Meeting to validate the assessment and identify priority actions for SWIM intervention in the field
- Training of project countries on the successful establishment and operationalisation of WUAs

2013

- High level study tour to Turkey
- Develop a comprehensive regional M&E system for monitoring the Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM)/Irrigation Management Transfer (IMT) process throughout its phases.
 - Planning Phase
 - Implementation (Establishment of WUAs)
 - Operationalisation of WUAs

SWIM Activities related to WUAs

- **The system should enable:**
 - Monitor the degree of political commitment towards PIM/IMT
 - Monitor government interventions to establish and support WUAs
 - Monitoring WUAs status
 - Periodical assessment of the results/impacts of the government interventions
- **In order to develop the system, the following activities were carried out:**
 - Regional review of Status of M&E systems in PIM/IMT in the PCs
 - Review of the international best practices in the design and implementation of the M&E systems
 - Review of the M&E system used by international organisations (FAO, USAID, WB, etc.) for WUA formation and support
 - Expert Group Meeting in Aug 2013 (Athens) to guide the development of the regional M&E system
 - Formulation of the M&E system

Specific Objectives of 2014 Activities

- Design and implement a user-friendly regional M&E system application to monitor and evaluate PIM/IMT (with a view to recommended BPs in the implementation of the PIM/IMT process)
- Customize it to suit the national and local conditions in two pilot areas.
- Enable national and local authorities in addition to WUAs in two pilot areas to examine and explore the applicability of the M&E system with due consideration to the country's particular context/ local specificities,
- Document the approach and the lessons learnt during implementation for potential replication within the same and/or in other countries and disseminate the findings and the system to the partner countries and relevant regional organisations.

Pilot Implementation

Two Pilots Countries:

1. Jordan
2. Tunisia

Mission Objectives:

- ❖ Familiarise JVA & stakeholders with the general features of the regional system with its four modules
- ❖ Agree on:
 - The implementation strategy, approach and indicative workplan, for the application of:
 - ✓ modules A, B, related to the monitoring and evaluation of the government's interventions in PIM/IMT implementation and
 - ✓ modules C and D related to the assessment of the performance of the WUAs and their impacts
 - The proposed best practices in the implementation of the M&E system.

Pilot Implementation

Mission Objectives (Continued):

- The envisaged role of SWIM-SM in the implementation of the respective modules`
- Actual selection of the pilot areas for module C in accordance with the criteria suggested by SWIM-SM.
- Identification of the focal points at the national level (as applicable) and at the local level and the respective stakeholders.
- Defining the roles and responsibilities of the focal points.

❖ Meet with the selected WUAs in the Jordan Valley

Mission Objectives

Familiarise National Partners with the general features of the regional system with its four modules and agree on:

- o The implementation strategy, approach and indicative workplan, for the application of modules A, B, related to the monitoring and evaluation of the government's interventions in PIM/IMT implementation and for module C and D related to the assessment of the performance of the WUAs and their impacts
- o The proposed best practices in the implementation of the M&E system.
- o The envisaged role of SWIM-SM in the implementation of the respective modules
- o Actual selection of the pilot areas for module C in accordance with the criteria suggested by SWIM-SM.
- o Identification of the focal points at the national level (as applicable) and at the local level and the respective



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