The International Office for Water

For more than 15 years, a key player in the development of skills to improve water management through:

• Institutional support missions in many countries, including for skills enhancement

• Training of water professionals with tailor-made and off-the-shelf training programmes given primarily from dedicated technical platforms in Limoges and La Souterraine

• Assistance with the creation of training centres for the water professions around the world, and participation in the creation of the International Network of Water Training Centres (INWTC), for which it is technical secretary.

www.oieau.org www.inwtc.org

Presentation of the side event:

The exchange of know-how and the enhancement of skills are the basis for effective cooperation to ensure tangible progress in the field of water management.

To ensure that the precise definition of requirements is pertinent and to provide a response appropriate to the specific nature of the countries and institutions, nonetheless remains an exercise demanding creativity and adaptability.

This side event proposes an opportunity for exchanges to gain a clearer idea of the requirement, to help redefine north-south relations and discover innovative solutions to stimulate the transfer of skills.



C Training Needs and innovative responses for training and

enhancement of skills in the water sector

Side event in the French Water Pavilion:

Buffet lunch 17 March 2009 13h00-14h30

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La Société des Eaux de Marseille

• Firmly rooted in Provence and in other countries of the Mediterranean basin, the Groupe des Eaux de Marseille comprises 21 companies – including two abroad – which for the past 60 years have been developing their know-how along the entire chain of the environmental professions.

• For many years now, it has been proposing Its technical expertise and know-abroad, where its specialists have acquired a solid reputation in all their fields of competence.

• Convinced that training is one of the keys to performance, it developed a Professional school, which produced "tailor-made" programmes to offer a precise solution for both its own needs and those of its partners, in particular those abroad.

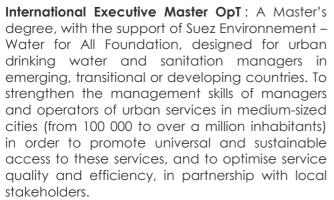
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"Projection" network

Projection is a platform for exchanges and discussion based around a network of young professionals from North and South, working in the field of essential services developing cities. Its members are junior professionals with between 2 and 10 years of experience, who wish to contribute to moving things forward in this sector. Taking part in the transfer of experience between generations, breaking down barriers between the professions and sectors, increasing the representation of the junior professionals, creating a forum for exchanges between players in the field and institutions, these are the main objectives of the Projection network.

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13h00 - 13h15 Opening

M. Laurent STEFANINI, Ambassador delegate for the Environment

13h15 – 13h35 Round-table launch

Training water professionals in the southern countries, certainly, but ... What is the demand? Who needs it most? What form should it take?

Guests:

Yacouba KONATE (Burkina Faso), for Projection, the network of junior professionals Samir BENSAID (Morocco), for the International Network of Water Training Centres Jean-Pierre ELONG MBASSI (Cameroon), United Cities and Local Governments in Africa

13h35 - 14h30 Broadening of the round-table:

What's new in professional training tools? What financing?

Guests:

Michel GUINAUDEAU, Master OpT of ParisTech and Suez Environnement

Annie COULANGE, Société des Eaux de Marseille

Jean-François DONZIER, International Office for Water

Martin PARENT, French Development Agency

Contact?

Place your business card, stating your area of interest, in the suggestions box in the French Water Pavilion.

Chair of the side event:

Marie BORNI, Société des Eaux de Marseille Pierre HENRY de VILLENEUVE, International Office for Water