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MINISTRY OF WATER AND IRRIGATION
EMWIS Jordan's National Focal Point

EMWIS in Jordan

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Since the beginning of the Euro-Mediterranean talks on water issues, the Ministry of Water and Irrigation was entrusted as Jordan's ambassador on water issues.

The Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI) is the official body responsible for the overall monitoring of the water sector, water planning & management, formulation of national water strategies and policies, R&D

Role also includes provision of centralized water related data, Standardization and Consolidation of Data

Integration of NFP Activities in the National Structures Related to Water

The Ministry of water and Irrigation embraces the two most important entities dealing with water:

This relative position with respect to WAJ & JVA reinforces its leading role as a National Focal Point for the Euro-Mediterranean Information System on the know-how in the Water Sector.

Background

- ✓ **Jordan played an active role in the development of EMWIS within the Euro-Med partnership.**
- ✓ **In 1997, Jordan took part in the preliminary study of the EMWIS system; the first tangible cooperation Tool between the Euro-Mediterranean countries.**
- ✓ **Jordan was the vice president of EMWIS Steering Committee until 2002; the end of the first phase of the System.**
- ✓ **It is also an active member of the steering and coordination committees since the launch of the system in 1999.**

EMWIS National Focal Point (NFP) Team

- **The NFP coordinator (represented by H.E. Sec. General)**
- **Water Information Specialist/Data Manager-Suzan Taha**
- **IT Manager: Mahmoud Shloul until 2006, & Omar Taha Afterwards from the MIS Dept.**

Supporting Staff:

From the NWMP Directorate:

- **Nisreen Haddadin**
- **Rasha Sharkawi**

From the Information and Public Awareness Dept:

- **Rana Batsh**

EMWIS NFP Tasks

- Creating and maintaining a national information server
- Information collection along EMWIS 5 priority areas (Institutions, documentation, R&D, Data Management, Training and Education).
- Development of EMWIS website.
- Organizing and developing procedures for communication and access to existing information
- Ensuring that information is available
- Establishing relations with the users

EMWIS NFP Achievements

- Development of yellow pages (who is doing what in the water sector).
- Development of a catalogue on information sources around EMWIS 5 priority themes.
- Setting up and publishing of Jordan's EMWIS web portal
- Collection of Information related to the projects in the water sector (PIS & relation to EMWIS).
- Documentation and publishing of water related strategy and policies, legislations, guidelines, standards, and specifications.
- Publishing of EMWIS brochure (Arabic and English).
- Promotion of the establishment of a NWIS System (proposal for funding).
- Participation in the thematic studies proposed by the steering committee

EMWIS NFP Vision

- Jordan NFP acts as a node of the Euro-Med system & as the country's water information portal & window on the Jordanian know-how in the water sector.
- The main objective of EMWIS Jordan NFP is to establish a National Water Information System, that responds to national needs with respect to data and information exchange between stakeholders and water actors, while being an integral part of a seamless Euro-Med information system, and acting as a node of EMWIS providing predefined contents at the international scale.

The Question

**How do we continue
to ensure sustainability of the system
and adequate response to national needs**

**Together we can decide to make it
happen**

**Lets go hand in hand forward !
and work together to keep it alive**