A satellite-style image of the Mediterranean Sea region, showing the sea in dark blue, the surrounding landmasses in brown and green, and some white clouds. The text is overlaid on this image.

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Introduction:

- **Cyprus Water Conditions**
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- **Conclusions**

Cyprus



Mediterranean Sea

Cyprus Water Conditions

- **3rd Largest Island in the Mediterranean**
- **40% Under Turkish Occupation**
- **Population of 700 000**
- **2.5 Million Tourist Arrivals Per Year**
- **Situated in a Semi-arid Region**
- **70% of Water Demand for Irrigation**
- **30% of Water Demand for Domestic, Industrial and Tourist Uses.**

Cyprus Water Conditions

Projects to Increase Water Resources:

- **Construction of New Schemes**
- **Desalination of Sea Water**
- **Re-Allocation of Resources**
- **Implementation of Projects to Reduce Water Losses**

Cyprus Water Conditions

- **Establishment of a National Water Entity**
- **Reuse of Treated Sewage Effluents**
- **The Installation of an Extensive Telemetry System**
- **Ensure Continued Availability of Water Under Conditions of Prolonged Drought.**

Cyprus Water Conditions

- **Water Resources are Under Government Control**
- **Water Development Department (WDD) is Responsible for Irrigation and Domestic Water Supply Schemes and Production**
- **Water Quality is continuously monitored by the WDD and the Ministry of Health**

Web Site of The Cyprus NFP

- **One of 13 Countries with an Active Website**
- **Site Will be Upgraded to meet the EMWIS specifications and objectives**



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• **Cyprus NFP Home Page**

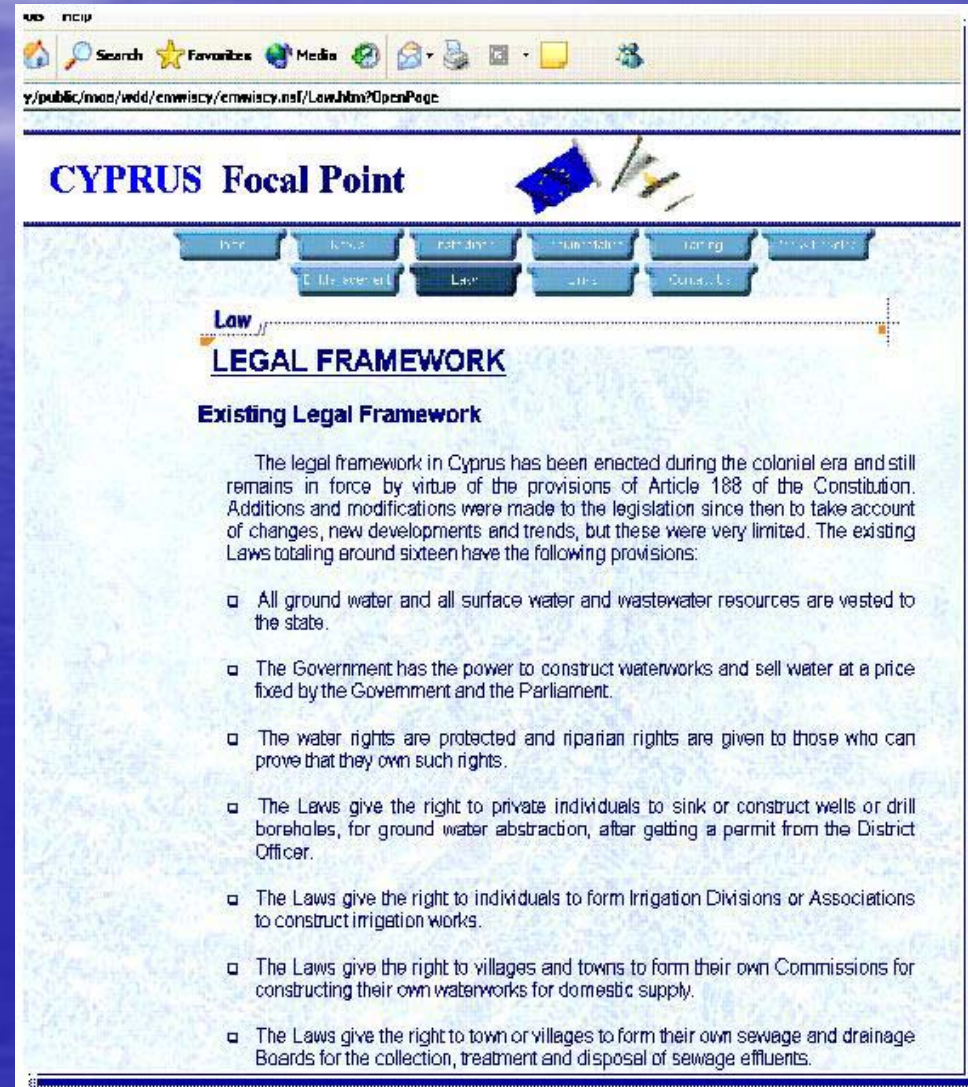
Procedure for Data Collection and Validation

Steps to ensure data quality:

- **Appointment of Organisation Representatives**
- **Training of Representatives by the WDD**
- **Data Acquisition from Representatives**
- **Legal agreements for data reproduction and internet publication**
- **Data validation, verification and classification by WDD Ad-Hoc committees**

Upgrading Website Content

- News
- Institutions
- Documentation
- Training
- Research and Development
- Data Management
- Legislation



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying "y/public/moa/wdd/cnwiscy/cnwiscy.nsf/Law.htm?OpenPage". The page title is "CYPRUS Focal Point" and features a navigation menu with buttons for Home, News, Institutions, Documentation, Training, Research and Development, Data Management, and Legislation. The main content area is titled "Law" and "LEGAL FRAMEWORK".

Existing Legal Framework

The legal framework in Cyprus has been enacted during the colonial era and still remains in force by virtue of the provisions of Article 188 of the Constitution. Additions and modifications were made to the legislation since then to take account of changes, new developments and trends, but these were very limited. The existing Laws totaling around sixteen have the following provisions:

- All ground water and all surface water and wastewater resources are vested to the state.
- The Government has the power to construct waterworks and sell water at a price fixed by the Government and the Parliament.
- The water rights are protected and riparian rights are given to those who can prove that they own such rights.
- The Laws give the right to private individuals to sink or construct wells or drill boreholes, for ground water abstraction, after getting a permit from the District Officer.
- The Laws give the right to individuals to form Irrigation Divisions or Associations to construct irrigation works.
- The Laws give the right to villages and towns to form their own Commissions for constructing their own waterworks for domestic supply.
- The Laws give the right to town or villages to form their own sewage and drainage Boards for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage effluents.

Conclusions:

- **Cyprus Has a lot of Experience and Information to Offer**
- **Looking to Benefit from the Experiences of Other Countries**
- **Will work Closely With EMWIS Tech. Unit to Improve the Content and Presentation of the Website**