The National Focal Point team is composed of:

- **Mr. Mohammed BANY-MUSTAPHA**, coordinator.
- **Mrs. Nisreen HADDADIN**, data manager.
- **Mr. Hashem EL-NASER**, IT manager.

The General Water Director is:

- **Khaldun KHASHMAN**.

The Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI) has been designated since the creation of EMWIS as the National Focal Point for Jordan, while the staff was nominated in March 2000, by H.E. MWI Secretary General; and National Focal Point Coordinator.

EMWIS NFP in Jordan has achieved the following results: A national portal in English and Arabic has been created, a dialogue with national water stakeholders was initiated and the development of a National Water Information System is in the phase of fund raising. Memorandum of Understanding for collaboration with national water information providers has been jointly prepared.

**DATA**

| **Area** | 92 300 km² |
| **Population** | 5,6 *** |
| **GDP per capita** | 1873 € *** |
| **Water per capita** | 145 m³ * |
| **Access to improved water resource** | TOTAL : 93% **
- Urban : 96% **
- Rural : 81% ** |
| **Water withdrawal** | irrigation : 65% *
| **Domestic & industry** | 35% * |
| **Access to sanitation** | TOTAL : 58% **
- Urban : 72% **
- Rural : 6% ** |

Sources:

* EMWIS NFP in Jordan (Ministry of Water and Irrigation), 2006
** UN-JMP 2004 (Access to water & sanitation considering house connections)
*** MEDSTAT 2005

**Legal Framework**


**Right to Water**

The right to water is included in legislation.

**Main institution**

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The territorial water management:
- Aqaba Water Company in Aqaba Governorate
- Miyahona- Management Contract – Amman Governorate
- Northern Governorate Water Administration (NGWA)- North Jordan

Inter-ministerial coordination is assured by the Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI).

**Main issues of Water Resource Management**

With Jordan being considered to be one of the 10 poorest countries worldwide in water resources, water scarcity is the main challenge in WRM. These scarce water resources are confronted with high population growth. As a result strategies aim at a reduction of water consumption, increase efficiency in water use as well as the development of options for the use of non conventional resources such as wastewater reuse, water desalination, importation of water, and weather modification (cloud seeding).

**Water pricing and cost recovery**

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**Water master plan**