International cooperation at DG Water

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With whom do we cooperate?

• Regional: Iberoamerica and Mediterranean
• International:
  o UN agencies: UNESCO, UNECE, UNEP, FAO, OMM, UN-Habitat
  o Non UN agencies: OCDE, WWC, GWP, SWA
• Development Banks: WBG, CAF, IDB

• Derived from bilateral agreements: Morocco, Argentina, Brasil, Chile...
• EU-level:
  - Transboundary cooperation: Portugal, France, and Andorra.
  - Implementation of the environmental acquis (water)
Which are our priorities? WATER SECURITY

• SDG6: IWRM at the center, incl. NCWR

• Adapting to climate change:
  o Less water resources: water scarcity
  o Protect and restore ecosystems
  o Prevent and prepare for extremes

• EWS, information and digitalization

• Drought resilience (IDRA)

• Capacity development Initiative
Which are our projects? Iberoamerica: CODIA (SEGIB network of WDs)

- Ibero-American Environmental Agenda
- ECLAC's Regional Water Action Agenda
- Capacity Building Initiative - UNESCO
- Latin American Water Forum (FLAA)
- accession to the Water Convention
## Project for the strengthening of public policies based on the analysis of SDG 6

| Regional: Technical Dialogues based on National Experiences | Exhaustive analysis of information. | In collaboration with CODIA's custodian agencies and strategic partners. |

### Example of Regional Project in CODIA

#### REPORTS:
- **6.5.1.** Degree of IWRM implementation
- **6.5.2.** Degree of transboundary cooperation
- **NOW IN PROCESS (XXIV CODIA)**
- **6.3** - Discharges and water quality
- **6.4** - Value of water and efficient use
Example of regional work in CODIA - FCAS

Sanitation and wwt roadmap (XIX CODIA, 2018):

- Develop wastewater treatment in a planned way and aimed at achieving the creation of a sustainable service. Promoted jointly with FCAS and CEDEX.
- Consensus on 5 lines of work:
  - Elaboration of technical recommendations
  - Water quality diagnostics
  - Demand Generation Mechanisms
  - Circular economy
  - Training of professionals

Examples of Products:

- Publications on regulations, costs, planning.
- Thematic Fora: discharge regulation, water reuse
Which are our projects? Mediterranean

- Raising the Mediterranean water profile in the global context
- Contribute to the UN process on water and to the WWF
- Contribute actively to the UfM Water Agenda
- Contribute to the integration of Non-Conventional Resources
- Committed to capacity development and knowledge transfer
- Mediterranean water week (2022,...)
Which are our projects? CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

CD&KT Programme, since 2022
Defined programme, lack of secure funding
1 activity in 2023

PFI-Agua, since 2008
UNESCO-PHI as main partner, secured project
>200 activities; 8 in 2022; 15 in 2023

UNDESA-UNESCO CDI (SDG6-GAF)
Since 2022 – Panama and Costa Rica officially applied for pilots
KoM Panama 30 oct-1nov
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