



MENBO Mediterranean Network of Basin Organisations
 REMOB Réseau Méditerranéen des Organismes de Bassin
 REMOC Red Mediterránea de Organismos de Cuenca



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**Session III: Water governance and co-operation at
 transboundary level: lessons learnt for water diplomacy**



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 Mediterranean Network of Basin Organisations

About MENBO (within INBO)

Promotes an Integrated Water Resources Management at the river basin level, as an essential tool for sustainable development

MENBO Permanent Technical Secretariat based in Valencia (Spain) at the Jucar River Basin Authority



REMOC / MENBO / REMOB
 Current state of recruitment members

from 2003



RESEAU INTERNATIONAL DES ORGANISMES DE BASSIN
 INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF BASIN ORGANIZATIONS
 RED INTERNACIONAL DE ORGANISMOS DE CUENCA
 REDE INTERNACIONAL DE ORGANISMOS DE BACIA
 Международная сеть водохозяйственных организаций
 الشبكة الدولية لهيئات الأحواض
 流域组织国际网



188 (full members and permanent observers) in
 71 countries; 6 Regional Networks
 from 1996



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we promote and participate in all activities of exchange of knowledge and experiences related to IWRM at basin level

WWFs (Mexico 2006, Istanbul 2009, Marseille 2012, Daegu 2015)



Major regional initiatives
Strategy for Water in the Mediterranean 2008-2010



International, exchange and twinning projects, congresses, technical workshops, etc.



Dialogue 5+5 (Rome 1990)



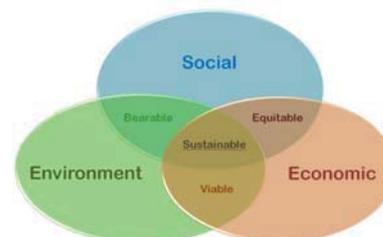
- 10 countries: Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia and Libya.
- 3 Official Observers : COM-EU, UFM, UMA
- Observers: Regional entities, institutions and stakeholders
- MENBO: Technical Secretariat



Guide document with orientations, objectives and actions for resources protection and management

Long term:

- To preserve water quality and environment
- Prosperity and sustainable growth
- Global access to water
- Technological cooperation
- Capacity building
- Peace and stability in the Western Mediterranean





Bottom-up by Technical Workshops with General Consensus



WS1. Valencia, February 2014



WS2. Oran, June 2014



WS3. Valencia, September 2014



Adoption:
Ministerial Conference
Algiers, 31th March 2015



Main challenge :

Scarcity (water and sanitation for all) v.s. environment : sustainable
Through : improvement water governance (planning, infrastructures, participation and capacity building)
by >>> Information (data and knowledge & shared) <<<



1. Enhancing Western Mediterranean country policies' convergence towards the general principles of a sustainable water policy	P1: Developing and starting up clearly defined legal frameworks
	P2: Establishing governance adapted to integrated water management
	P3: Implementing cost-recovery
3. Promoting water management improvement	P9: Climate change adaptation
	P10: Increasing and mobilising the available resources
	P11: Water use efficiency improvement
	P12: Flood prevention
	P13: Protection of water quality and biodiversity

2. Foster cooperation in relation to regional matters	P4: Capacity building
	P5: Innovation development in the water sector
	P6: Water-energy-food nexus
	P7: De-pollution of the Mediterranean
	P8: Mobilising water-related innovative financing solutions for the application of the Strategy



WS4 (Action Plan). Madrid 10th September 2015 !!!!





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conclusion.....

we must and can work to achieve the most ambitious challenges in regards to international cooperation, even in the most hostile environments; the effort is worth it. We must be ready to provide the means needed along these types of processes, even if long and laborious, because they end up giving positive results in terms of common agreements that contribute to a better understanding amongst everyone.



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Thank you for your attention!



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