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OF BASIN ORGANISATION (ANBO)**

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I. INTRODUCTION

THE INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (IWRM) IS A KEY MEANS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE WORLD IN GENERAL, AND IN AFRICA IN PARTICULAR.

IT IS IN THIS PERSPECTIVE THAT THE AFRICAN NETWORK OF BASIN ORGANISATIONS (ANBO) WAS CREATED, IN RELATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF BASIN ORGANISATIONS (INBO) WHICH CONSTITUTES AN EFFICIENT REFERENCE IN THE REGION.

II.1. CREATION OF ANBO

ANBO WAS CREATED ON 11th OF JULY 2002 IN DAKAR (SENEGAL) WITH THE SUPPORT OF GWP/WATAC AND THE INBO BY A CONSTITUTIVE ASSEMBLY WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF WATER USERS, MANAGERS AT REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS :

- RIVERS AND LAKES BASIN AGENCIES;
- NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIONS;
- DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS.

II.2. OBJECTIVES OF ANBO

- DEVELOP RELATIONSHIP AMONG PARTNERS EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE;
- DEVELOP THE IWRM PRINCIPLES;
- SUPPORT THE INFORMATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS OF WATER ACTORS AT ALL LEVELS.

II.3 ORGANISATION

THE INSTITUTIONAL APPARATUS OF ANBO IS AS FOLLOWS:

- GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHICH GATHERS ALL THE MEMBERS;
- CHAIRMANSHIP BY THE NIGER BASIN AUTHORITY (NBA) FOR 2 YEARS;
- A PERMANENT TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT HOSTED BY THE SENEGAL RIVER DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION (OMVS) FOR 4 YEARS;
- A COORDINATION BUREAU;
- RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH GIVE ANBO A LEGAL BASE AS AN ASSOCIATION GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE HOST COUNTRY.

II.4. RESOURCES

- ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE MEMBERS.
- GRANTS.
- PRODUCTS BENEFIT FOR WORK DONE.
- FINANACIAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF PARTICIPANTS FOR ATTENDING MANIFESTATIONS ORGANISED BY THE ANBO.
- ASSISTANCE AND LEGACY.

II.5. ACHIEVEMENTS

- NOMINATION OF:
 - THE CHAIRMAN OF ANBO BY THE NBA;
 - THE TEAM OF THE PERMANENT SECRETARIAT BY THE OMVS;
 - THE MEMBERS OF THE COORDINATION BUREAU BY THE BASINS ORGANISATIONS AND THE ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS.

- SENSITATION ACTIONS BY EXCHANGING MESSAGES TOWARDS;

- THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT IS NOW FULLY OPERATIONNAL USING THE MEAN OF THE OMVS (OFFICES, COMPUTER EQUIPMENTS, INTERNET LINE AND TELEPHONE, SECRETARIAT, STATIONERIES);

II.5. (CONT.)

- FINANCING A CONSULTING TEAM TO DEVELOP A WORK PROGRAM FOR THE ANBO;
- INFORMATION ON ANBO DURING MANY REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEETING;
- DESIGN AND DISTRIBUTION OF IDENTITY FORM TO MEMBERS OF THE NETWORKS.

III.PRIORITY ACTIONS PLAN OF ANBO

III.1. Programmatic axes

- Institutional setting and consolidation of the network capacities;
- Institutional and technical capacity building for the member of the network as regards the integrated water resources management (iwrn);
- Development of cooperation and promotion of exchanges among the members of the network and with other partners.

III.2. Operational Components of the program

- Institutional setting of the network and consolidation of the activities of the Permanent Technical Secretariat (PTS)
- Documentary setting of the situations of the basins and synthesis of the available knowledge and know-how
- Development of the various types of knowledge and know-how as regards IWRM
- Consolidation of the capacity to exchange and put together the existing documentation at the level of the members of the network
- For each component, we have identified specific objectives, priority actions, results expected and performance indicators.

III.3 Budget for 2004 - 2006

We have two sections:

- Section A (Institutional setting and consolidation of the PTS – component US \$ 573,325.00;
- Section B (Pragmatic activities – components 2 o 5) : US \$ 541,900.00

N.B. : From July 2002 to December 2003, OMVS provided a contribution of 20,380,000 F CFA to the operation of the PTS (equipment, office space, technical staff).

IV. EXTERNAL PARTNERS

THE EXTERNAL PARTNERS ALREADY IDENTIFIED :

- INBO
- WMO
- WWF
- GWP / WAWP

V. PROSPECTS

POTENTIAL OPORTUNITIES:

- FRENCH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
- CANADIAN INERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY,
- EUROPEAN INITIATIVE
- GERMAN INITIATIVE FOR AFRICAN SHARED RIVERS
- AFRICAN WATER FACILITY
- CANADIAN INITIATIVE FOR WATER

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VII. CONCLUSION

- BY THE FACILITATING EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN ACTORS, THE ANBO WILL CONTRIBUTE BEYOND ALL QUESTION TO THE AFRICAN INTEGRATION.
- THE CHAIRMANSHIP AND THE PERMANENT TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT ARE LOOKING FOR FOUNDING TO ALLOW ANBO DEVELOPMENT.
- THE PRESENT ACHIEVEMENTS ARE A RESULT OF THE SUPPORT AND WISE ADVICE OF OMVS HIGH COMMISSION, THE NBA EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT AND THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT OF INBO.
- WE REALLY APPRECIATE THEM.

VIII. RECOMMENDATION

- NECESSITY OF SUPPORTING ANBO IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ITS NOBLE OBJECTIVES.
- TO CONTINUE SENSITIZING OTHER BASIN ORGANISATION TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NETWORK, SPECIALLY IN EAST, CENTRAL AND AUSTRAL AFRICA.
- RENFORCE THE COOPERATION WITH OTHER REGIONAL NETWORKS

THANK FOR YOUR ATTENTION