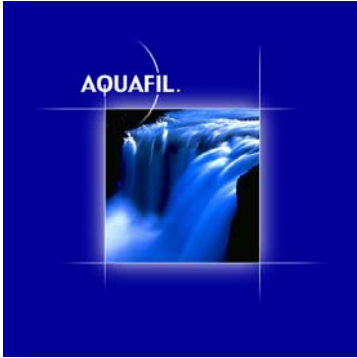




European Seminar on Integrated and Participative Management of Water at the Local Level

January 29th, 2007
at the Committee of the Regions,
Brussels

Objectives of the Seminar

- Show the level of intervention and the role played by local participants in integrated and participative management, such as it is defined in the European Water Framework Directive (WFD).
 - Underline the very concrete aspect of local involvement, which leads to actual results and is not restricted to abstract debates
 - Capitalize on local experience in the field of European cooperation projects in terms of integrated and participative management
 - Analyse how local actions of integrated and participative management contribute to improve local governance
 - Present to representatives of the European Commission the variety of local contributions towards the implementation of the WFD
 - Highlight the potential cooperation between local, regional and national levels in order to implement the WFD
- Prefigure future cooperation networks for 2007-2013
 - What role for cooperation from 2007 on (what justification)
 - Extend partnerships for 2007-2013
 - How will financing work in the future?

Exhibition Area

An area will be available for projects wishing to present their activities (posters).

Compendium & Questionnaire

A compendium with various cooperation projects related to participative management of water will be handed out to participants.

A questionnaire was designed in order to draft this document and will be sent to European projects to obtain information and select potential contributors to the seminar.

Additional information and address to send questionnaires back

Mrs. Patrice Verscheure
Maison de l'Eau de l'Attert asbl
Grand-rue 33
L-8510 Redange
Luxembourg
E-Mail : maison.eau@atttert.com
Tel. +352 26 62 08 08
Fax. +352 26 62 08 09

PROGRAMME FOR THE SEMINAR Integrated and participative management of water at the local level in Europe

Time	Subject	Resource persons
8:30–9:00	<u>Welcoming of participants</u> at the Council of the Regions	Coffee
09:00–10:00	<u>Opening Conference:</u> Global and European challenges related to water resources management:	
	Welcome speech	Mr. Wim van Gelder, Committee of the Regions
	Introduction to the objective of the seminar	Mr. Camille GIRA, Lead partner of the project AquaFil
	European stakes, Water Framework Directive	Mr. Helmut Bloech, DG Environnement – Commission Européenne
	Global level stakes (4 th World Water Forum of March 16 th to 22 nd , 2006 in Mexico)	Mr. Raymond Jost, International Secretariat for Water
10:00–10:20	Coffee Break	
10:20–12:30	<u>Workshop 1:</u> Integrated and participative management of water at the local level in Europe	
10:20	Introduction on the objectives of the workshop	Ms. Bénédicte Paviot, journalist
10:25	What is meant by “Integrated and participative management”. Comparative presentation and analysis of IWRM (Integrated Water Resources Management) in Europe (River Contract, SAGE, etc.)	Mr. Francis Rosillon, Université de Liège – Campus d’Arlon, Département des Sciences et Gestion de l’Environnement
10:45	Presentation of actual experiments of integrated and participative management (pilot projects), local added-value, and its link to the European Water Framework Directive (WFD).	- Project Aquafil : Mr. Claude Miqueu and Mr. Frédéric Ré (Institution de l’Adour) - River Contract Semois-Semoy : Mr. Jérôme LOBET (University of Liège and Mr. Guy CHARLIER (president of the river committee Semois) - SAGE Haut Doubs: Mr. Eric DURAND (vice president of the local water commission) and Ms. Bénédicte CORDIER (SAGE Haut Doubs – Haute Loue). - Project Freude am Fluss : Wilfrid SÉJEAU (vice president of the Etablissement Public Loire) and Prof. Dr. A.J.M.SMITS (Director of the Centre for Water and Society)
11:45	Discussion	Ms. Bénédicte Paviot, journalist
12:30–14:00	Lunch and visit of the exhibition area	

14:00–15:25	<u>Workshop 2:</u>		
	Added-value provided locally through cooperation and cross-border projects to integrated and participative management of water.		
	14:00	Introduction on the general objective of the workshop	Mrs. Bénédicte Paviot, journalist
	14:05	Introduction on cooperation and the issue of water: provide a typology of cooperation.	Mr. Nicolas Singer, West Joint Technical Secretariat, Interreg IIIC West
14:15	Presentation of actual experiments of integrated and participative management through cooperation and cross-border projects.	Illustrations : - Project AQUAFIL- Network of Water houses - Project European Rivers Network (Mr. Roberto Epple) - Project ENMaR (Ms. Wiebke Abeling) - Project FLAPP (Mr. Bart Swanenvleugel) - Project LAKEPROMO (Ms. Arja Ruokojärvi)	
15:30–16:00	Coffee Break and visit of the exhibition area		
16:00–17:00	Continuing workshop 2		
	16:00	Perspectives for the next programming period	Ms. Eveline Petrat DG Regional policy – European Commission
	16:15	Discussion	Mrs. Bénédicte Paviot, journalist
17:00-17:30	<u>Conclusions and closing</u>		
	Summary of the seminar	M. Camille GIRA, lead partner of the project AquaFil	
	Closing speech	Representative of the European Parliament	
17:30-19:00	<u>Reception</u>		

The overall moderator is Mrs. Bénédicte PAVIOT, journalist working for BFM TV, Business FM and RMC as well as for SKY NEWS and BBC.
Animation through CLOWNANALYSTES from BATA CLOWN.