

## ALBANIA: Training for water professions; a priority

Marseilles Water Company and IOWater are working together to set up a training centre for water professions in Tirana whose goal would be to assist water utilities with improvement in water supply efficiency.

A joint survey mission was carried out in March 2000. The interest shown by the Ministry of Public Works and Tirana City in this project was confirmed.

The general trend is towards privatisation in Albania and this project is in line with such a context. A feasibility study will have to define the technical content and operating and financing methods to be used for such a unit, the funding of which has been requested to the French Ministry for Foreign Affairs.