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BENEFICIARY : Niger Basin Authority (NBA) - Niger Basin countries

FUNDING : EU Water Facility

Background :

Since the Declaration of Paris on "The principles of management and good governance for sustainable and shared development of the Niger Basin" was signed in April 2004 by the nine Heads of State and Government, the various meetings of the Niger Basin Authority (NBA) bodies confirmed the will of the nine Member States (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Ivory Coast, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Nigeria) to make this organization a tool for regional cooperation and economic development.

Thus, a "clear and shared Vision" of the Niger Basin was formulated to create an "environment favorable" to cooperation and to draw up a "Sustainable Development Action Plan (SDAP)" accepted by all the basin stakeholders.

IOWater was NBA partner in this project, and dealt with the task of assisting in work control, especially on the following topics :

- * Drafting a Water Charter ;
- * Consistency of the SDAP with the national and regional processes of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) ;
- * Preparation of the investment program and the methods for the implementation of the projects.

With the formulation of the SDAP and the development of the Investment Program early 2007 and the Summit of the Heads of State and roundtable of the donors early 2008, the Niger Basin Authority found ways to achieve practical and lasting outcomes for ensuring the future of the basin users and citizens.

Services :

Technical assistance on the following :

- analysis and drafting of legal instruments
- adequacy with Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) national processes
- formulation of the investment program and definition of an implementation schedule
- identification of investment projects and implementation conditions

Participation in steering committees

Assistance in the preparation of the roundtable of the donors