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Feasibility of a Regional Water Observation System

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BENEFICIAIRY : UCRE/ECOWAS

PURCHASER : CCRE/ECOWAS

Background :

As they are aware that water issues are of utmost importance for economic and social development, and that it is more and more urgent to change up new water management, the West African Governments have adopted a Regional Action Plan for Integrated Water Resources Management (RAP-IWRM/WA) and set up a Permanent Framework for Coordination and Follow-up (PFCF) within the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

Within the Permanent Framework for Coordination and Follow-up (PFCF) of Integrated Water Resources Management and of the Regional Action Plan, the Regional Coordination Unit for Water Resources - UCRE - a Department of ECOWAS Executive Secretariat, has been in charge of implementing a Regional Observation System for following up water management in Western Africa in order to facilitate the steering of the entire PFCF program and to ensure the follow-up of water management at the level of the countries and basins.

Whereas the first RAP-IWRM/WA projects were starting to be financed, IOWater, contributed to the implementation of a feasibility study for this system.

This study was supervised by the UCRE (Regional Coordination Unit for Water Resources) and made it possible to show the content of the concept "Regional Water Observation System" and to prepare a program ensuring the functioning of the system.

The results of the study were presented to the Ministerial Follow-up Committee in November 2006

Services :

- Analysis of the existing data and context
- Contribution in the definition of the selected Observation System
- Definition of the main components of the Observation System (Web portal, catalogue, Web mapping, Water Indicator database, ...)
- Development of an implementation scenario
- Contribution in the budget analysis
- Contribution in the presentation of outputs