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Knowledge Management on Water Operators Partnerships

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Water Operators Partnerships

UN-HABITAT and IWA are working together in the Global WOPs Alliance (GWOPA) to promote and broker WOPs according to the UN Hashimoto Action Plan



The definition of WOPs

A WOP can be defined as any form of

- informal or formal collaboration or
- structured partnership

between two (or more) water operators that:

- provides capacity building
- is based on not-for-profit principles
- is results-oriented and
- follows good governance principles

IWA supports the Global WOPs Alliance and is partnering with Finance Institutions and Regional Networks in:

- Asia
- Africa
- Europe
- Northern Africa and the Middle East
- Latin America and the Caribbean



Elements of IWA's WOPs support programme

- Regional and national networks
- IWA regional offices and representations
- IWA programmes and projects
- IWA publishing
- The utility members
- Key utilities and persons
- National authorities
- IFIs and donors



Knowledge management on WOPs

- Water operators being interested in entering into a WOP – whether **mentoring** or **receiving** part – should benefit from past experiences and lessons learned
- IWA and the Global WOPs Alliance Secretariat are therefore developing
 - **a WOPs Framework Manual**
 - **knowledge databases**
 - **brokering mechanisms**
 - **capacity building material**

Knowledge development on WOPs

- Collect information
- Analyse data
- Establish a WOPs typology
- Formulate lessons learned
- Produce guiding papers
- Disseminate information
- Establish brokering mechanisms

Information on Internet

- The Global WOPs Alliance is developing an overarching global website
- IWA is assisting to develop local websites for each WOP-Region



WOP-LAC



WOP-Asia
www.waterlinks.org

WOP-Africa

Supporting activities

- WOPs Framework Manual Sep '09
- Knowledge databases In progress
- Brokering mechanisms In progress
- Mach-making activities Ongoing
- Capacity training material In use
- Supporting documents Dec '09, '10
- Global WOPs website Dec '09
- Regional websites '08, '09, '10



A lot of WOPs

Thank you!

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