

# Presentation

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# Water and sanitation initiative

## *WOP – Latin America & Caribbean Region*

*SIWI, Stockholm 2009*



# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

- **Secretariat:** IDB and UN-Habitat
- **Three windows:**
  - Twinning arrangements among operators
  - Promotion of good practices through capacity building and participation of national and regional water associations
  - Administration, management and promotion. Fund-raising
- **Steering Committee:** 8 operators, IDB, UN-Habitat, AIDIS and IWA
- **General Assembly:** all members



# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

## Secretariat

- Coordinate twinning arrangements among utilities
- Identify training activities
- Prepare reports, publications of case studies, promote educational material
- Publishes semi-annual progress reports
- Identify alternative sources of financing

**Steering Committee:** Evaluation of the progress of WOP-LAC

**Plenary Assembly:** Assess progress and make recommendations to improve WOP-LAC



# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



## Financing

- **Twinning arrangements:** technical assistance is paid for by the operator that receives the assistance
- **Training and capacity building:** financing with resources from multilateral and bilateral institutions and the support of professional and water associations at national/regional levels
- **Administration and promotion:** initial financing from IDB and UN-Habitat



# RESULTS TO DATE...

## Twinning arrangements

- **SABESP (Brazil) and SEDAPAL (Peru):** Evaluate the feasibility of implementing an electronic procurement system in SEDAPAL
- **Aguas Andinas (Chile) and Sedapar (Peru):** Identify critical areas to be improved in SEDAPAR's management
- **Empresas de Medellin (Colombia) and ENACAL (Nicaragua):** Provide technical assistance in the area of information systems
- **EMAAPQ (Ecuador) and SADM (México):** Management of water consumption
- **SABESP (Brazil) and AyA (Costa Rica):** Framework Agreement of International Cooperation



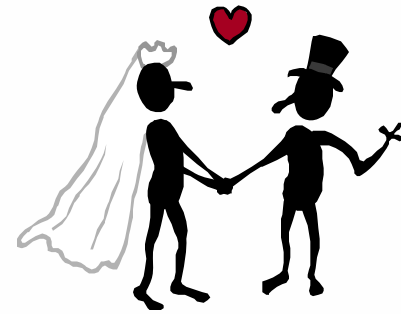
# RESULTS TO DATE...

## Training 2008

- **Wastewater Treatment:** CWWA in Jamaica (October)
- **Modeling of wastewater treatment plants:** AIDIS Congress in Santiago de Chile (October)
- **Non Revenue Water:** Annual Convention of ANEAS in Guadalajara, Mexico (November)



# RESULTS TO DATE...



## Business Plan 2009

### Twinning arrangements

**Objective:** 10 twinning arrangements

- Activities: Establishment of a data base accessible by the operators, publication of case studies

### Promotion of good practices through training and capacity building

**Objective 1:** Training of operators in specific areas

- Activities: workshops or courses in 2009 (eg. NRW, energy efficiency)



# RESULTS TO DATE...



## Business Plan 2009

### **Objective 2:** Development of a knowledge product

- Activities: Steering Committee recommends products (course, workshop, technical manual), preparation and promotion among WOP-LAC members

### **Objective 3:** Participation of national and regional water and professional associations

- Activities: Organize training workshops jointly with AIDIS and water associations (ANEAS, Acodal, ANDESCO, CWWA, etc)



# RESULTS TO DATE...



## Training 2009

- **Energy Efficiency in water utilities:** with CAESB, Brazil (March)
- **Energy Efficiency in water utilities:** with EMAAP-Q, Ecuador (May)
- **Non Revenue Water:** with 15 operators from the Caribbean region, Guyana (May)

## In the works for 2009

- **ABES Congress (Brazil):** Non revenue water workshop (September)
- **Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (St Thomas):** Energy efficiency (October)
- **Instituto Costarricense de Acueductos y Alcantarillados in Costa Rica:** Non revenue water and energy efficiency (October)



# NEXT STEPS



- **Caribbean countries:** Include in the business plan a section on activities to be developed specifically for the Caribbean region
- **Steering Committee:** include two operators from the Caribbean region in the WOP-LAC Steering Committee
- **Promotion:** launching of a web page, electronic newsletter
- **Financing:** use of an alternative source of financing



# LESSONS LEARNED

- Follow-up of the twinning arrangements is key to make things happen and make the WOP work effectively
- Most twinning arrangements are followed-up by larger investment requirements: need for long term financing not always available
- Need to identify “quick gains” in the utility so that results from twinning arrangements are visible in the short-term (e.g. NRW, EE, commercial management)
- Need for strong commitments and results from receiving party: Most operators ask for funding to cover the costs of travel: few operators requesting assistance will cover their costs
- Need to diversify sources of funding to make WOP a viable network





Thank you!