



**Minutes of the 2nd Steering
Committee Meeting
20th March 2008
Afourer Morocco**

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1 Introduction

The 2nd Steering Committee Meeting of the INECO Project was held on the afternoon of the 20th of March 2008, in Afourer, Morocco, before the INECO WP 5 Morocco Stakeholder Workshop. The objectives of the Steering Committee meeting were to:

- a) Discuss and evaluate the outcomes of the WP 5 Stakeholder Workshops realised thus far;
- b) Discuss and agree on the structure of the survey questionnaire for the preliminary screening of alternative instruments, to be distributed to the stakeholders from all Case Studies;
- c) Discuss the structure of the deliverable on the identification of alternative options for the INECO Case Studies.

The meeting was attended by:

- Prof. Dionysis Assimacopoulos, INECO Project Coordinator, NTUA;
- Ms. Eleni Manoli, NTUA;
- Prof. Bernard Barraqué, ENGREF;
- Dr. Jean-Marc Berland, IOW;
- Dr. Abderrahmane Affia, ISKANE.

The third issue mentioned above, was not discussed, as Prof. Antonio Massarutto could not attend the meeting due to an unexpected event.

2 Discussion issues and major outcomes

Prof. Assimacopoulos made a brief presentation on the outcomes from the 6 stakeholder workshops realized thus far within the framework of INECO, emphasizing on (a) the water management issues discussed, and (b) the overall structure and outcomes of the event. He then presented the Discussion Document prepared by the NTUA on alternative options for each case study. Participants agreed that:

- As an initial step, the identified options need to be discussed with local societies in a more generic way, as it might prove difficult to communicate some concepts to citizens without a scientific background on water management issues. Prof. Assimacopoulos pointed out that this is the purpose of the survey questionnaire, which has been developed by the NTUA in collaboration with Prof. E. Vlachos.
- Regional partners should validate this list with local decision-makers, so as to have an initial view on options that can be applied in each Case Study.

Following from this discussion, Ms. Manoli and Dr. Berland presented the survey questionnaire that has been prepared for the preliminary screening of alternative options. Prof. Barraqué pointed out that it is simple enough for stakeholders to understand and complete; however, there is need to incorporate a short glossary of terms, so as to help respondents understand the concepts and the meaning behind the alternative instrument categories. Dr. Affia commented that it will be a useful process and stressed the importance to distribute the questionnaire no later than 1 month after the implementation of the workshop.