

ICA Water Platform (WP)

1st ICA Water Platform Meeting

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Background

- **ICA Annual Meeting, May 2010:**
Germany announced support to establish a **Water Sector Platform** and financial support of **up to 2 million EUR** for a secondment and financing of platform activities

 - **January 2011:**
German Seconded started work at ICA Secretariat

 - **ICA Members Meeting, May 17th, 2011:**
Presentation & discussion of planned focus activities and adoption of **Inception Report**

 - **July 2011:**
Start of preparation of first activities and building network
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Objective & Structure

“Scale up finance for sustainable water related infrastructure in Africa from public, private and public-private sources”

ICA Members Meeting

Water Platform (WP)

Platform Meetings
Chair: Germany (KfW)

Secretariat of WP
ICA Secretariat

Participants

ICA Members, African Stakeholders, Private Sector

Guiding Principles

- **“Convening Power”**: Facilitate coordination and knowledge exchange of ICA members, “non-members”, other initiatives and African stakeholders
 - **“Match-making”** of demand and supply side to identify, finance & implement “bankable projects”
 - **Supporting African Stakeholders** in their communication with ICA Members
 - **Pro-active, solution-driven platform** to solve identified obstacles and barriers to the development of water infrastructure & complementing activities of existing initiatives
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Focus Areas

Enhanced Coordination

- Regular **Platform Meetings**
- Alignment with **AMCOW/AU Priorities & Work Plan**

Brokering of Regional Programs

- **Support of PIDA Process:** Brokering/Promotion of Priority Projects
- **“Matchmaking” :**
 - Support of regional information session/marketplace for technical and financial partners to facilitate steps for joint project preparation and implementation
 - Support/promote water related investment programs of RECs/RBOs

Knowledge

- Implementation of water related section in **Knowledge Center** on ICA website
- Support of **AICD/AIKP** through joint sector related studies

Workplan 2012

Enhanced Coordination

in alignment with AMCOW Work Plan & Priorities

Private Sector Engagement

- **June 2012:** PPP Workshop on Water & Sanitation will take place in Dakar, Senegal jointly organized by IFC, ICA, WSP, PPIAF
- **2nd half 2012:** Compile recommendations and publish Knowledge Piece

Cross Border / Benefit Sharing

- **March/April 2012:** Finalize ToRs based on results of GIZ Pre-Study and procurement of Consultant for “Compendium of best practices in cross border investments & benefit sharing (case studies)”
 - **August 2012:** Disseminate first results at water conferences (e.g. WWW)
 - **3rd Quarter:** Publish final study
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Workplan 2012

Brokering of Regional Programs

Matchmaking:

- Support of PIDA process in brokering the TWRM PAP
- Promotion of Investment Programs of RECs (Identification of potential areas of support?)
- **2/3rd Q:** Organize one matchmaking event /activity

Knowledge

- **April 2012:** Launch of Knowledge Centre
 - **2nd half 2012:** Joint AIKP study on “Cost recovery, equity and water tariffs : study on selected countries and utilities”)
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Additional activities

- Attend **Workshops / Conferences** to promote ICA, WP & share expertise, e.g.:
 - World Water Forum (March)
 - African Water Week (May)
 - World Water Week (August)

 - Building **network of partners** for future WP activities, e.g.:
 - German Water Partnership & Global Water Partnership
 - Regional Development Banks (e.g. BOAD)
 - Other initiatives & Institutions
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Objective:

- ❑ Review the lessons learnt of Development & African Partners
- ❑ Identify major bottlenecks & challenges
- ❑ Define expectations & responsibilities/roles of RECs, RBOs, AUC, Development Partners, ICA & WP

Outcome:

- ❑ Complemented work plan for 2012 and beyond for the ICA and Water Platform discussed
 - ❑ Role & Mandate of the WP clarified and value – added defined
 - ❑ Monitoring and dissemination of results agreed
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What can the ICA Water Platform do?

- **Enhancing the Coordination/Synergies** with existing initiatives (e.g. CIWA, AWF)
 - **Brokering of Regional Priority Programs** (e.g. PIDA, Investment Plans of RECs, RBOs)
 - **“Sharing of Knowledge” and “Best Practices”** in the water sector (e.g. AIKP, Knowledge Center, Studies/Research Papers)
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Thank You

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