

THE GOVERNANCE AND ECONOMICS OF WATER SECURITY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

A follow-up to the 6th King Hassan II Great World Water Prize granted to the OECD

Background: On 21 March 2018, Angel Gurría, Secretary-General of the OECD, received the **King Hassan II Great World Water Prize** during the **8th World Water Forum (Brasilia)**. The Prize provides an impetus for the OECD to spearhead **new policy work on water in Africa** in cooperation with partner institutions. Outcomes will be released at the **9th World Water Forum (Dakar, 2021)**.



“Water unites us all, as people, as cultures, as societies, cities, town, villages and economies. We cannot afford to get water wrong, and with climate change, urbanisation and population growth, we cannot afford to take it for granted”

Angel Gurría, OECD Secretary-General

Key facts

- Trends in improved governance are slackening or showing signs of reversing in recent years
- 250 million Africans are expected to live in areas of high water stress by 2030
- The urban population is projected to grow from 36% in 2010 to 50% by 2030 and reach 60% in 2050

Objectives



Assessing

- Carry out a **regional survey across 50+ countries** on water risks and governance challenges
- Advise cities, basins and national governments on water reforms through tailored **policy dialogues**
- Produce new **data, analysis & recommendations** on water security in Africa to meet the SDGs

- Conduct **capacity-building workshops**
- Set up a global **bank of solutions & best practices**
- Develop a **checklist** and **action-oriented tools**



Learning and Sharing

- Produce **infographics, videos** and **visuals**
- Launch **awareness-raising campaigns**



Raising Awareness

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How will the programme be implemented?



How can you contribute ?

1. Consider synergies with your programmes and partnerships in Africa
2. Join the Consortium of institutional partners, sponsors and donors
3. Contribute to the production of data, research and recommendations
4. Host meetings or events throughout programme implementation
5. Volunteer your city, basin or country for policy dialogues
6. Share your success stories, practical solutions and good practices

What is the timeline of the Programme?

22 March 2019 -
Official Kick-off

September 2019:
Consortium of
sponsors /
funders

November 2019
– Highlights from
selected projects

2020 –
Implementation
phase

Q1 2021: Launch
of results at the
9th World Water
Forum (Dakar,
Senegal)

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