



“Water is everybody’s business”
Regional Forum on Local Water Governance
June 6th and 7th, 2007
Venue: Intercontinental Hotel,
Amman, Jordan

PROGRAMME
(Almost final!)

June 5th, 2007	
	Arrival and registration
	Arrival of oversea participants
15:00- 18:00	Registration and Poster market
19:00 - 21:00	Pool-side Cocktail Reception
Day 1: June 6th, 2007	
Sessions	
8.30 – 12.45 Morning session Opening Ceremony; Addresses and Keynote speeches	
8:30 – 9:30	Registration (and poster session)
10.00 – 11.00	Opening addresses by, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HRM King Abdallah II Ibn Al Hussein • H.E. Kamal Ali, Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources of Sudan and Vice President of the Arab Water Council • H.E. Eng. Thafer Al-Alem, Minister of Water and Irrigation, Jordan • H.E. Dr. Azzam Tubeileh, Secretary General, Ministry of Agriculture, Palestine
Break 11:00 – 1130 Poster market	
11.30 – 12.45	Chair: H.E. Mr. Kamal Ali, Vice President of the Arab Water Council and Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources of Sudan Key Note addresses on Local Water Governance: challenges to implement & adapt actual policies to create higher ownership for water resource management at intermediary and local levels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HE Kamal Ali, Vice President of the Arab Water Council and Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources of Sudan. Water issues and existing water policy frameworks in the MENA Region. • H.E. Dr. Azmi Shueibi, AMAN: Transparency Palestine. Key challenges for policy and practice in local water community development • Ms. Ikhlas Abu Zuneimeh, Voluntary Society Ruweiha, Jordan. Community concerns with regard to sustainable water resource management. • Dr Ayman Rabi, Palestinian Hydrology Group, Palestine. Synthesis Recommendations for Local Water Governance
Lunch 12:45 – 14:00 Poster market	



Day 1: June 6th, 2007	Sessions
14.00 – 17.00	Afternoon Session : Panel on Local Water Governance
14.00 – 14.30	TVE Documentary Film :”Nor any drop to drink”
14.30 – 16.00	<p>Panel discussion with 9 panel members: Moderator: Dr. Patrick Moriarty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Royal Court Jordan - H.E. Dr Kamal Ali. Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources of Sudan and Vice President of the Arab Water Council) - H.E. Dr Munther Haddadin, Former Minister of Water and Irrigation / Jordan - H.E. Dr. Azmi Shueibi. AMAN: Transparency Palestine. - Dr Hakan Tropp - Water Governance Facility (SIWI/UNDP) - Prof. Tony Allan, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London - Ms Iklas Abu Zuneima. Ruweiha, Community-based organization/Jordan Valley. - Anthi Brouma, GWP-MED - Dr Roger Hearn, CARE International, Director Middle East and Eastern Europe Regional Office.
Break 16:00 – 16:30	Poster market
16.30 – 17:00	Summing-up of essence of panel discussion
20.00 – 22.00	Evening Session: Dinner + Folkloric entertainment from Egypt and Palestine



Day 2: June 7 th , 2007	Sessions
9.00 – 12.30	Morning Session: Case Studies on key issues for policy and practice
9:00 – 9:45	Review of Day 1: What do the panel discussions mean for implementation of Local Water Governance on the ground in the countries of the Middle East Moderator, Mr. Shawkat Sarsour
9.45 – 10: 45	Presentation of case studies from Practice to Policy 1. Stakeholder coordination and economic use of water resources in Qabatya town / Palestine 2. Stakeholder coordination and decentralization in the water sector of Balqa Governorate / Jordan 3. Stakeholders coordination and feasibility of implementing national programmes at the District level – Ehnasia District / Beni Sueif Governorate / Egypt
Break	Poster market
11:00 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plenary panel discussion on key questions for policy and practice (based on insights from 3 case studies above => issues to discuss in afternoon <i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Fatima Abdul Rahman, Director of the Integrated Irrigation Improvement Management Project (IIIMP), Ministry of Water and Irrigation. Egypt (case study 3). Dr. Jochen Regner, Program Manager Water Resource Management in Irrigated Agriculture (WMIA) GTZ Dr. Issam Nazzal. Qabatya Municipality Mayor, Palestine (case study 1) Mr. Hasan Al Edwan, Head of the Social Development Unit in Balqa Governorate, Jordan (case study 2)
Lunch 12:30 – 14:00	Poster market
14.00 – 17.00	Afternoon Session: Reflection on key issues for policy and practice
14:00 – 15:30	5 Subgroups on themes selected in morning
Tea break 15:30 – 16:00	Poster market
16.00 – 17.00	Plenary presentations of work subgroups and final conclusions
20:30 – 22.30	Evening session : Closing + Gala Dinner (Jordanian night)