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Water information system **A tool to support Knowledge and management of** **water resources, aquatic environments and their** **uses**

Side event
French pavilion - SUTLUCE
Wednesday 18 March 2009- 7pm to 9pm

Diner- buffet

If you have to participate in the next World Water Forum in Istanbul, the French National Agency for Water and Aquatic Environments and the International Office for Water are happy to invite you to participate in the side event on «Water Information System», that they organize, within the French Water Partnership, on Wednesday 18 March 2009 from 7pm to 9pm in the French Pavilion in Sutluce - hall A, stand1604.

For a comprehensive view on the quantitative and qualitative status of water resources, the pressures weighing on water, its uses, the status of aquatic ecosystems, to understand trends, assess the effectiveness of measures taken and implement a water policy that produces results, decision-makers, consumers, managers and citizens must have high-quality data. These data are collected in a water information system. One of the challenges is to collect up-to-date data that are complete, consistent and interoperable in order to process, use and then disseminate them.

This side event will present different experiences from around the world (Europe, the Mediterranean, Africa and South America) to discuss the various approaches selected in monitoring and accessing water information. We aim to collectively identify recommendations for water policies that would be supported by information and knowledge on the water system, and to reinforce efforts of the international community in favour of better data collection, treatment dissemination and use.

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