

## Online Regional Workshop

### Advancing WEFE Nexus integration in the Mediterranean: Towards a framework for action

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Monday 19 January 2026

09:00 – 14:00 CET

ANNOTATED AGENDA

| Timing and Session Title                                                                    | Activity                                                                                            | Facilitators – Speakers – Panellists                                                                                                                                                                                           | Description                                                                                                                                               |
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| 09:00 – 09:40 Welcome & Introduction                                                        | Brief welcome<br>Objectives and overview of the webinar                                             | <u>Moderator:</u> Prof. Michael SCOULLOS,<br>WES-BCA Team Leader<br><br><u>Speakers:</u><br>Mr. Atila URAS, UNEP/MAP<br>Mr. Frederic DE DINECHIN, UfM, Senior<br>Policy Advisor<br>Dr. Antonella AUTINO, PRIMA,<br>Coordinator | Welcome addresses and brief overview and objectives                                                                                                       |
| <b>PART I: Mediterranean WEFE Strategy &amp; WES-BCA WEFE NEXUS GOVERNANCE KEY FINDINGS</b> |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9:40 – 9:50 Introduction to WES-BCA                                                         |                                                                                                     | <u>Speaker:</u> Ms Suzan TAHA, WES-BCA Key-<br>Expert on Water                                                                                                                                                                 | Short Presentation of the WES-BCA project                                                                                                                 |
| 9:50 – 10:10 Presentation:<br>Mediterranean WEFE Strategy                                   | Brief presentation of the WEFE<br>Nexus Strategy in the<br>Mediterranean Source to Sea<br>Continuum | <u>Speaker:</u> Mr. Vangelis CONSTANTIANOS,<br>GWP- Med, Regional Coordinator                                                                                                                                                  | Emphasis on major directions of the Strategy<br>leading to the Action Plan<br>Clarification questions (Mediterranean WEFE<br>Strategy's role and content) |

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|                                                                                                                  | Questions and answers on the role and content of the Strategy                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>10:10 – 10:30 Presentation of WEFE Nexus Governance Key Findings</b>                                          | Presentation of the summary of the Background Report with key findings and highlighting common strengths, weakness, opportunities, and threats (SWOT Analysis) | <u>Speaker:</u> Mr. Ger BERGKAMP, WES-BCA Non-Key Expert                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | The session is a brief presentation of the <b>Background Report</b> with interaction limited to brief clarification questions                                                                                                              |
| <b>10:30 – 11:00 WEFE Nexus highlights, challenges, and opportunities in the 3 countries</b>                     | Jordan (10')<br>Lebanon (10')<br>Morocco (10')                                                                                                                 | <u>Facilitator:</u> Mr. Frederic DE DINECHIN, UfM, Senior Policy Advisor<br><u>Speakers from:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jordan: Ahmad Bali, Head of Planning of Water Demand Department, MWI</li> <li>Lebanon: Mona Fakih, Director of Water, General Directorate of Hydraulic and Electric Resources, MoEW</li> <li>Moroco: M. Rachid Rajel, Head of the planning department, MEE</li> </ul> | Countries present key WEFE Nexus highlights, examples, challenges and opportunities they have encountered, reflections on the Background Report and next steps on WEFE policies and operationalization through the Strategy's Action Plan. |
| <b>11:00 – 11:10 Short coffee break</b>                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>11:10 – 12:10 Feedback Session Key findings – WEFE Institutional arrangements and policies, Effective and</b> | Discussion on main common findings – feedback and input                                                                                                        | <u>Facilitator:</u> Mr. Dimitris FALOUTSOS, GWP-Med, Deputy Regional Coordinator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Representatives of Partner Countries are invited to examine whether and to what extend the presented                                                                                                                                       |



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| <p>efficient planning and financing,<br/>Informed decision making</p>                                                                   | <p>National WEFE Policies and Strategies- review and input, including examples</p> <p>National WEFE Programmes and Initiatives- review and input, including examples</p> <p>Governance Challenges – review and input</p> <p>Key Knowledge and Know-how Gaps – review and input</p> <p>Capacity Building needs – review and input</p> | <p>Interactive session</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Mr. Ger BERGKAMP, WES-BCA Non-Key Expert (summary of what issues raised will be included in the report)</p> | <p>findings, including the SWOT analysis, reflect their national contexts.</p> <p>Representatives are invited to reflect on the presented governance challenges and provide comments and further inputs.</p> <p>Representatives are also invited to raise knowledge and know-how gaps and reflect on capacity building needs.</p> <p>Clear description of how the inputs from today's webinar will be used to update the Background Report, especially its findings and recommendations.</p> |
| <p><b>PART II. RELATED RECOMMENDATIONS TOWARDS AN ACTION PLAN FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN WEFE NEXUS STRATEGY</b></p>                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p>12:10 – 12:15 Introduction: WES-BCA WEFE Nexus Governance recommendations &amp; as input to Mediterranean WEFE Nexus Action Plan</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p><u>Speaker:</u> Prof. Michael SCUULLOS, WES-BCA Team Leader</p>                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p>12:15 – 12:30 Presentation of the Analysis of WES-BCA WEFE Nexus recommendations as input towards the Action Plan</p>                | <p>Presentation of the Analysis WES-BCA WEFE Nexus recommendations vis a vis the Mediterranean WEFE Strategy</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p><u>Speaker:</u> Mr. Ger BERGKAMP, WES-BCA Non-Key Expert</p>                                                                                           | <p>The draft Matrix provides a comparison between the provisions of the Strategy and the findings and makes some suggested key recommendations</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| <p><b>12:30 – 13:10 Feedback Session III:<br/>Mediterranean WEFE Strategy: towards<br/>an Action Plan</b></p> <p><i>Priority areas, Questions, Answers and<br/>Recommendations</i></p> | <p>Facilitated discussion on<br/>Action Plan's priorities based<br/>on its Goals and Objectives<br/>and forward looking options<br/>for its operationalisation</p> | <p><u>Facilitator:</u><br/>Mr. Vangelis CONSTANTIANOS, GWP-<br/>Med, Regional Coordinator</p> <p>Interactive session</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>General priorities for operationalising the<br/>Mediterranean WEFE Strategy through the Action<br/>Plan.</p> <p><u>Key question:</u> which are general priority areas on<br/>which the future Action Plan should focus on to best<br/>support implementation of the Mediterranean<br/>WEFE Strategy?</p> |
| <p><b>13:10 – 13:55 Next Steps towards the<br/>Action Plan for the implementation of<br/>the WEFE Nexus Strategy in the<br/>Mediterranean Source-to-Sea<br/>continuum</b></p>          | <p>Outline of next steps and input<br/>towards an Action Plan</p>                                                                                                  | <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Prof. Michael Scoulllos, WES-<br/>BCA Team Leader</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u><br/>Ms Patrizia BUSOLINI, UNEP/MAP,<br/>Programme Management Officer<br/>Mr. Frederic DE DINECHIN, UfM, Senior<br/>Policy Advisor<br/>Dr. Antonella AUTINO, PRIMA,<br/>Coordinator<br/>Mr. Vangelis CONSTANTIANOS, GWP-<br/>Med, Regional Coordinator</p> | <p>Outline of how the Webinar's findings will be used<br/>and combined with other inputs from scheduled<br/>processes and consultations to inform the<br/>formulation of the Action Plan</p>                                                                                                                |
| <p><b>13:55 – 14:00 Closing remarks</b></p>                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><u>Speaker:</u> Prof. Michael Scoulllos, WES-BCA<br/>Team Leader</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |