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“Good water governance, focusing on regulatory aspects and the design, monitoring and enforcement of policies”

A Regional On-Site Training on “Good water governance, focusing on regulatory aspects and the design, monitoring and enforcement of policies” was organized by the EU-funded SWIM-Horizon 2020 Support Mechanism, on 2-3 October 2018 in Brussels, Belgium.

This 2-day Regional On-Site Training explored the core principles and components of good governance for integrated water resources management, with a focus on legislative frameworks, approaches and instruments for effective policy design, implementation and enforcement as well as monitoring and evaluation.

Throughout the Training the participants, specialised in working on the development and enforcement of water regulation and coming from the Project’s Partner Countries (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Tunisia), had the opportunity to:

Deepen their understanding of the key principles, components and benefits of good governance with a strong focus on the regulatory framework; reflect on the strengths and shortcomings of opportunities for good governance practices in their home countries; get familiar with approaches and methods for effective policy design, monitoring and evaluation, including Drivers, Pressures, State, Impact, Response framework (DPSIR), Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Environmental Auditing; explore a range of regulatory, economic and participatory instruments for policy implementation and enforcement, including their benefits and drawbacks.

More than 35 key stakeholders participated in the 2-day sessions, such as representatives from the Ministries of Water and Irrigation, Agriculture of the Partner Countries, Government Agencies and NGOs.

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