

## **BTOR**

Places	Athens, Greece
Dates	2-5 March 2015
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Issue: Workshop on Mainstreaming Gender and CSR in water policy-related work

Training on CSR and gender was designed for GWP-MED in frame of project "Governance & Financing for the Mediterranean Water Sector". SIDA supported this project with a gender and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) experts.

Other participants came from GWPO, GWP CEE/IDMP, GWP CAM, SIWI, GWP WAF/SITWA, GWP CACENA; GWP EAF/WACDEP and Sida. GWPO supported one participant from GWP CEE.

Goal of the workshop was to increase use of gender and CSR perspectives in GWP water related work. The workshop was highly interactive. The trainers explained benefits of a gender and CSR for project results and steps of gender analysis. Currently, gender mainstreaming is frequently used in development cooperation and donors require this element in project development. Reports from meetings should include gender information on participants.

Mainstreaming should be done on two levels — institutional and operational. On the institutional, it covers management, focal points and all staff. On the operational level, there should be analysis, budget and monitoring of results. During the training, participants reflected why something should be mainstreamed, the purpose of such exercise and the expected results of such work. However, questioning was an indicator that understanding is increasing.

In addition, Richard participated in part of the meeting between MED and Rudolph Cleveringa, Acting Executive Secretary (GWPO), on 5 March in the morning at the GWP MED office.

## **Resources:**

Workshop documents on Google Drive http://bit.ly/1adF5Dn

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