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Press Release

Global Water Partnership Eastern Africa (GWPEA), Kigali, Rwanda, September, 23nd 2013,

GWP Eastern Africa in partnership with the Rwanda Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources will be holding a 5th Water, Climate Development Program (WACDEP) Technical Coordination Workshop from 23 to 28 September 2013 at Lemigo Hotel, Kigali, Rwanda.

Hon Stansilas Kamanzi, Rwanda's Minister of Natural Resources will officiate the opening session, at around 8:30 and 9:00am, Monday, 23nd September 2013.

Delegates from Southern Africa, West Africa, Eastern Africa, Central Africa, and North Africa will be reviewing the Program's desired objectives, deliverables against measurable indicators as well as sharing experiences.

The workshop aims to catalyse the exchange of lessons, share knowledge and technical coordination of the implementation of WACDEP among Regional Offices of Global Water Partnership and Countries.

The meeting will also give the Rwanda WACDEP and Capacity Building Team (CBTeam), government planners from sectors such as water, energy, agriculture, finance and others an opportunity to gain deeper insights on the content of the learning materials.

According to the Concept Note of the meeting, at the end of the meeting, all regions implementing WACDEP "will have got a common understanding of the program" outputs, indicators and outcomes"

The meeting will review the suitability of the learning materials in a real world development context using Rwanda as a case study.

In Eastern Africa, WACDEP is implemented in River Kagera Basin (regional level), Rwanda-Burundi (country level) specifically around Lake Cyohoha (community level) in Bugesera District, Eastern Province of Rwanda.

Worth-noting, there have been laudable efforts worth sharing with other regions since 2012 when WACDEP was launched at national and local levels in Eastern Africa, specifically in Rwanda and Burundi.

The workshop will be attended by around 30 participants—regions of Global Water Partnerships (GWP) and countries, as well as key stakeholders from the water and climate change sector: African Ministers Conference on Water (AMCOW), development organizations, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and collaborating partners.

Other key partners include CEEPA and UNDP from Rwanda and the region, CapNet and CDKN representatives, and NIRAS.

For further information, please contact: check the website http://www.gwp.org/en/WACDEP/NEWS-AND-EVENTS/Events-Listing/5th-WACDEP-Technical-Coordination-Workshop-in-Kigali-Rwanda-from-23--28-September-2013/ or call Patrick Safari, Regional Coordinator, GWP Eastern Africa +256 752766780 (Uganda) +250788307587 (Rwanda) or email pasafari@nilebasin.org).