



CRDA Medenine, June 02, 2022

Pre-Workshop Minutes

Talanoa Water Dialogue for Transformational Adaptation to Water Scarcity Under Climate Change (TALANOA-WATER)

As part of the activities of the project "Talanoa-Water dialogue for Transformational Adaptation to Water Scarcity Under Climate Change", a meeting is organized in collaboration with the Regional Commissariat for Agricultural Development of Medenine (CRDA of Medenine) to present the project, its objectives, and its components on June 02, 2022, with the participation of 10 stakeholders (see list in annex).

The meeting started with a word of welcome by the Head of the Hydraulics and Rural Equipment Division who welcomed all the participants on behalf of the Commissioner of the CRDA of Medenine who, in his role, promised to provide all the necessary arrangements to ensure the success of the project.

Then, Dr Issam Nouri: the national coordinator of the Talanoa-Water project presented the project concept, the partners involved, the objectives as well as the different work packages of the project.





Then, a presentation of the climatic, hydrological and hydrogeological situation of the plain of Jeffara of Medenine the study area of the project was provided by Dr. Samir Sahal the head of the Hydraulics and Rural Equipment division at the CRDA of Médenine and member of the project team. Dr Mohamed Jaouad, Head of the 'Economics and Rural Societies' Laboratory at the Institute of Arid Regions-Medenine, presented the project approach.





After the session of presentations, which lasted 2 hours, a discussion was held and allowed participants to raise the main water problems in the Jeffara region. It was agreed with the main stakeholders to:

- ✓ Continue the collection of the required data for the modeling framework in coordination with the project team.
- ✓ Propose and study, within the framework of the water laboratory, innovative solutions to the identified water problems and management of water resources and launch calls for tenders to involve start-ups and private companies to propose of innovative solutions.
- ✓ Propose water saving solutions with their impacts assessment on the availability of water resources in the region and the involvement of authorities for the possibility of granting subsidies.
- ✓ Study the possibility of irrigation with brackish water, with detailed water quality analysis and Sodium Absorption Ratio computation and its impact on water productivity.
- ✓ Study the possibility of irrigation with desalinated water and the possibility of generalizing this technique according to the results obtained.
- ✓ Add to the study area that of the Oued Essseder watershed.
- ✓ Schedule meetings to identify all stakeholders at the CRDA of Medenine.
- ✓ Schedule the organization of the national Science policy workshop of the TALANOA-WATER project during the month of September 2022.

Information on the meeting organization was announced by the Facebook page of CRDA of Medenine.

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=511444197439586&id=100057220309115

The meeting was end at 1:00 pm.



Annex

Meeting program

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Welcoming participants	09 :30 – 10:00	
Opening word	10:00 – 10:10	Dr. Ammar Jamaï The Regional Commissioner for Agricultural Development of Medenine
Presentation of the TALANOA-WATER project	10 :10 – 10 :40	Dr. Issam Nouri, INAT
Climatic, hydrological and hydrogeological situations of the plain of Jeffara	10 :40 – 11 : 00	Dr. Samir Sahal, CRDA Medenine
Coffee break	11 :00 – 11 : 30	
What approach do we use for good governance of water resources	11 :30 – 12 :00	Dr. Mohamed Jaouad, IRA Medenine
Discussions	12 :00 – 12 :40	
Conclusions and Closing	12:40 – 13:00	Dr. Samir Sahal, CRDA Medenine



List of invited persons

- The governor's representative
- Project members
- Representative CRDA Medenine
- Representative IRA Medenine
- Representative Regional Director of Public Health
- Representative Regional Director of Equipment
- SONEDE Regional Director
- Representative Regional Trade Director
- Representative Regional Civil Security Director
- Regional Director of the Environment
- URAP representative
- UTICA representative
- ONAS Regional Director
- NGOs