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Angola: The Strategic National Programme for Water 2013-2017

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On January 31, 2013, Presidential Decree no. 9/13 approving the Strategic National Programme for Water 2013-2017 ("SNPW") of Angola was published.

Aim and Scope

The SNPW aims at preparing a framework of multi-sector investments which allows a balanced and sustained management of the specific interests of each sector towards the immediate and long term general interests of development and economic growth of Angola.

Besides including the biophysical, patrimonial, social and economic, environmental, legal and institutional characterization of the water sector in Angola, the SPNW is especially focused on the following aspects:

- > Identification and measurement of water usage (urban, industrial supply, irrigation, hydroelectric energy, environmental use, etc.);
- > Characterization of water resources (surface and underground) in quality and quantity on a national level and by region/hydrographical basin;
- > Execution of the hydro balance (audit) with regard to availability and water usage;
- > Identification and characterization of the main problems associated with water use and of the present and potential conflicts associated to it;
- > Identification of measures and actions;
- > Definition of a short term physical and financial programme.

Physical and Financial Programme

- > The investments included in the SPNW comprise the following main components:
- > Direct investment in infrastructures, namely in the water supply and sanitation, hydroelectricity, cattle, irrigation and others;
- > Reinforcement of know-how, namely on planning, investigation, development and other studies;
- > Strengthening and Modernisation of the Institutional, Legal and Regulatory Framework;
- > Creation of economic and financial mechanisms supporting investment in the water sector.

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This Investment Programme for 2013-2017 period forecasts a **total investment of USD 23 334,3 million**, of which USD 23 078,7 million correspond to Structural Public Investments.

The direct investment in infrastructures represents about 95,1% of the total structural investment.

With regard to the Provincial Governments Programme, a total investment of USD 256,6 million for the mentioned period of 2013-2017 is estimated.

Reinforcement of know-how represents about 4,4% of the total investment aiming at an ambitious increase of the investment directed towards a crucial area for the sustained and balanced development of the country.

The forecast investment in hydroelectricity represents more than 55% of the total structural investment aiming at suppressing the deficit between demand and supply of electricity and to make the country self-sufficient. In this regard, the building of important hydroelectric projects, namely the Cambambe II, Lauça, Caculo Cabaça, Jamba la Oma, Jamba la Mina, Samuela, Luachimo, Chiumbe-Dala, Chicapa II, Capunda, Dala and Caculo Cafula, is being planned.

On the other hand, water supply and sanitation shall represent about USD 5 542 million, reflecting Angola's government institutional and financial efforts at implementing major projects and programmes in order to promote the well being of the population in general.

The SPNW also includes irrigation investments and it is predicted that in the coming years conditions for the rehabilitation and execution of about 230 000 hectares of newly irrigated areas are established.

Other Measures and Actions

During the 2013-2017 five year period other measures and actions shall be implemented, namely the institutional development of the water sector, the national programme for monitoring the quality of water for human consumption, the setting up of models and entities for the management and operation of water supply and sanitation systems and the adoption of economic regulation mechanisms which may safeguard the sustainability of the public service of water supply.

Entry into force

The SPNW entered into force on January 31, 2013.

Click [here](#) to see Presidential Decree no. 9/13

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