

Annex 6: Institutional framework Burkina Faso water authorities

The management of water policy has been entrusted to a ministerial department. However, given the cross-cutting nature of the field, a large number of actors including ministerial departments whose activities have an impact are involved in its protection.

1. THE MINISTRY OF WATER AND SANITATION

Created by decree No 2016-342 / PRES / PM / MEA on February 29, 2016, the organization of the Ministry of Water and Sanitation (MEA) revolves around the Cabinet and the General Secretariat.

The Permanent Secretariat for Integrated Water Resources Management (SP/GIRE), an important body of the Cabinet, has the main mission of coordinating and monitoring the implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), its programs and different bodies provided for by the orientation law relating to water management. As such, he is responsible to:

- capitalize and harmonize all the data and information necessary for monitoring and implementing IWRM;
- ensure the carrying out of prospective studies and analyses with a view to monitoring and evaluating the impact of the integrated water resources management program;
- strengthen the partnership between the State and other public, semi-public and private actors in the context of the implementation of IWRM;
- provide the necessary advisory support and assistance to those involved in the implementation of IWRM;
- advocate for IWRM;
- support the mobilization of the resources necessary for the implementation of IWRM;
- organize and coordinate the activities of the IWRM program and the IWRM consultation bodies;
- provide the secretariat for the IWRM program steering committee and IWRM consultation bodies;

For the implementation and monitoring of government policy in this sector, the ministry has a General Secretariat where actions are coordinated by central structures that are:

- the Directorate General for Sector Studies and Statistics (DGESS);
- the General Directorate of Sanitation (DGA);
- the Directorate General for Drinking Water (DGEP);
- the Directorate General of Hydraulic Infrastructure (DGIH);
- the Directorate General of Water Resources (DGRE);
- the Directorate of Administration and Finance (DAF);
- the Public Procurement Department (DMP);
- the Human Resources Department (HRD);
- the Department of Communication and Ministerial Press (DCPM);
- the IT Services Department (DSI);
- the Directorate of Archives and Documentation (DAD);
- the Department of Institutional Development (DDI).

The decentralized structures which are the branches of the Ministry of Water and Sanitation at the regional and provincial level are also attached to the general secretariat. They include the Regional Directorates for Water and Sanitation (DREA) and the Provincial Directorates for Water and Sanitation (DPEA)

As attached organisations we have:

- the National Office for Water and Sanitation (ONEA);
- the Agency for the Execution of Water and Rural Equipment Works (AGTEER);
- the Water Agencies (AE).

2. THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE GREEN ECONOMY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

The Ministry of the Environment, Green Economy and Climate Change (MEEVCC) implements and monitors the Government's policy on the environment and the improvement of living conditions. As part of the environmental assessments, the ME ensures the quality of the ESIA, SEA, NIES and Environmental Audit reports and ensures compliance with the rules regarding the implementation of ESMPs.

From an administrative point of view, the missions of the Ministry of the Environment in terms of environmental assessment fall mainly within the remit of the National Agency of Environmental Assessments (ANEVE). This structure is supported by other organisations of the ministry in the execution of its missions.

The National Agency of Environmental Assessments (ANEVE)

The powers of ANEVE in terms of environmental assessments are defined by decree n°2020 - 0632 / PRES/PM/MINEFID/MEEVCC of July 16, 2020, relating to the organization and operation of the National Agency of Environmental Assessments.

The ANEVE's mission is to promote environmental assessments and ensure compliance with environmental assessment rules. As such, it is the national structure responsible for the environmental police in environmental assessments. It also ensures the police of classified establishments through environmental inspections.

In terms of environmental assessment and management of environmental and social impacts, the ANEVE thus exercises administrative police functions and, where necessary, judicial police functions.

In its administrative police functions, the ANEVE ensures that human activities do not prejudice public order and, if necessary, takes the necessary corrective measures. In its judicial police functions, it is the responsibility of the ANEVE to ensure that serious breaches of the rules established with regard to the management of environmental and social impacts are noted and punished. To succeed in its mission, the ANEVE must organize itself accordingly by calling on the support of the structures of the MEEVCC with which it maintains functional relations.

The ANEVE benefits from the support of the other organisations of the MEEVCC. At the central level, the ANEVE generally benefits from the support of the following organisations:

- the Permanent Secretariat of the National Council for Sustainable Development (SP / CNDD);
- the Department of Institutional Development and Legal Affairs (DDIAJ);
- the Directorate General for the Preservation of the Environment (DGPE);
- the Directorate General of Water and Forests (DGEF);
- the Department of Environmental Economy and Statistics (DEES);
- the National Authority for Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety (ARSN);

The ANEVE also benefits from the support of the decentralized structures of the MEEVCC, in this case, the regional directorates for the Environment, the Green Economy and Climate Change (DREEVCC).

These organisations thus participate in the review of ESIA and NIES reports and in monitoring the implementation of ESMPs.