



*“The Role of The Regulator in Bridging the Water
Access-gap”*

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The Role of the Regulator

- **Ensure that consumers receive safe, reliable and fairly priced services**
 - **Conduct relevant market studies**
 - **Review and determine tariffs, examine subsidy schemes**
 - **Ensure that operators make profit, grow their revenue and expand their infrastructure**

Identifying partners

- **Government**
- **The legislature**
- **The Operators**
- **Civil Society**
- **NGOs**
 - **Concern Universal, Action Aid, Water Aid...**
- **Donor Agencies**
 - **UNICEF, EU, CDE-PROINVEST, UNDP, WHO, WB...**

Situation as it is...

Limited investment in the WSS sector... by most governments

The issue of profitability of water companies

- governments not paying bills
- Metering issues
- Billing issues
- Payment and Collection

Three Types of Waters Regulators in Africa

- Most Water Regulators are embedded in the government ministry that deals with water; thus there is no separation of policy making and implementation
- Some countries have fused water regulation with that of Electricity- Mali, Rwanda, The Gambia, Mauritania, Tanzania...
- A few countries like Zambia have a single sector water regulator- NWASCO- a success story in AFUR

Water And Sanitation Sectoral Projects 2006-2008

	Project	Cost Euro
Sector specific projects		
1	Strengthening of the water and sanitation sectoral committee	€ 50,000
2	Develop a set of common water and sanitation quality of Service and Supply Standards	€ 94,312
3	Service to the poor and universal access	€ 75,000
4	Consumer involvement in monitoring service providers	€ 60,000
5	Tariffs & Pricing Design & Modelling; bench marking	€ 84,884
6	Capacity building and training efforts	€ 75,000
7	Improve communication on water and sanitation regulation including development of water and sanitation database.	€ 75,000
8	Secretariat	€ 475,435
	Total	€ 989,591

The Regulatory Approach

- **The importance of the 3 As with regards to WSS**
- **The three generic approaches regulating services:**
 - **The generation stage**
 - **The processing stage**
 - **The usage stage**
- **Encourage Investment and Competition – Continue to advocate for the reduction of barriers to entry, limit anti competitive behaviour, encourage public-private partnerships in the Energy sector**

Conclusion

- **Two case studies on Regulatory intervention**
- **Zambia DTF**
- **The Gambia MUSF project**

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