Scientific and Technical Priorities

Africa

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STRP Priority tasks themes:

- Regional & global networking
- Strategic, emerging & ongoing issues
- Wetland inventory, assessment, monitoring & reporting
- Wetlands & human health
- Wetlands & climate change
- Wetlands & water resource management
- Wetlands of International Importance
- Wetlands & agriculture
- Wetlands & ecosystem services
Priorities

1. Wetland Inventory, Assessment, Monitoring and Reporting

2. Wetlands and Ecosystem Services: Food and Water Security

3. Ramsar Advisory Missions to address ecological character (Article 3.2; Article 2.5; Montreux Record)

4. Groundwater and Wetlands:
   - Clear demand on Capacity building for sustainable utilization, management and protection of internationally shared groundwater in the Mediterranean region
   - Groundwater dependent ecosystem mapping
   - Groundwater dependent ecosystem: Inventory Filed guide

5. Wetland and urbanization:
   - Urban planner: Request from the African Development Bank
   - School of Architects and Urban planners
Priorities

6. Wetlands and poverty reduction
   - Course on Wetlands Goods and Services for African Parliamentarians and Parliamentary Staff: Review

7. Wetland Engineering
   The needs and expectation expressed by NFP, Ramsar Sites Managers are mainly related to ecological engineering applied to wetlands including:
   - The knowledge of Wetlands trends
   - The wetlands restoration
   - The protection of the water quality
   - The management / treatment of pollution
   - The prevention of flood risks
   - The streams dynamic
   - The protection / restoration of habitats (Habitats) and Biodiversity
Wetlands & human health

Gueladio Cisse involved the African Team within several call for proposals since 2012.
New demand from the CPs

• Assist African countries to develop projects in order to strengthening institutional framework to support wetlands (focus on Ramsar Sites) management (Gabon, Ghana, Morocco, Burundi, Mozambique, Uganda and Burkina).

• How to effectively bring on board issues like oil and gas, and other extractive industries on the Public and Political Agenda (Uganda, Guinea, Rwanda, Tanzania, Mali etc...).
Comments from CPs:

- Francophone are harmed because the majority of documents are in English