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Twinbasin project is continuously opened to any twinning projects
Please return by Electronic way to twinbasin@oieau.fr.

• **Names and References of Twinned Basin Organisations**

1 (a). Basin Organisation: *Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace*.....
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Postal Code: *651 10*..... **City:** *Kavala*.....
Country: *Greece*.....
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Telephone: *(+30) (2510) 228964*..... **Fax:** *(+30) (2510) 837 173*
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Objective of your basin organisation in this twinning: *Exchange of experience on integrated water resources management in transboundary river basins.*

1 (b). Basin Organisation : *White Sea Water Agency/West Aegean Water Basin Directorate.*
Street/ PO Box : *Mitropolit Boris 18 Str*
Postal Code : *2700* **City :** *Blagoevgrad*
Country : *Bulgaria*
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Telephone : *(+359) 73 88 29 94* **Fax :** *(+359) 73 88 29 93*
E-mail: *bd-blgr@pirin.com*
Objective of your basin organisation in this twinning: *To be specified by the Bulgarian basin organisation (under study).*

2 (a). Basin Organisation: *Upper San Pedro Partnership*.....
Street/ PO Box: *1763 Paseo San Luis,*.....
Postal Code: *AZ 85635*..... **City:** *Sierra Vista*
Country: *USA*.....
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E-mail: *info@usppartnership.com*.....
Objective of your basin organisation in this twinning: *Compare experience on how to develop bi-lateral agreements and enhance public participation.*

2 (b). Basin Organisation: *Comision Nacional del Agua*.....
Street/ PO Box: *Gerencia Regional Noroeste, Comonfort y Boulevard Cultura, Edificio México 3er. Nivel, Centro de Gobierno*
Postal Code: *C.P. 83280*..... **City:** *Hermosillo, Sonora*
Country: *Mexico*.....
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E-mail:
Objective of your basin organisation in this twinning: *Review and adapt new technologies for transboundary water resources management.*

2 (c). Basin Organisation: *Patronato de Apoyo a los Servicios de Agua Potable, Alcantarillado y Sanamiento de Cananea*
Street/ PO Box: *Av. Juarez No. 27, Col. Centro*
Postal Code: *C.P. 84629*..... **City:** *Cananea, Sonora*
Country: *Mexico*.....
Contact Person: Name:..... **First Name:**
Telephone: *(+52) 016 332-21-27*..... **Fax:**
E-mail:
Objective of your basin organisation in this twinning: *Compare water pricing for water supply and improve quality of service for drinking water.*

⇒ Provide copy of Twinning Agreement in attachment

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① Support for adequate filling of the request:

1. Programme and missions should be coherent with following eligibility criteria:

- Duration: More than **7 days** ; less than **2 months or 60 days**
- Global topic: Integrated Water Resources Management
- Existing Twinning Agreement
- MoU signed by both Basin Organisations
- Coherency of Twinning Agreement matching with project "[Project Twinning Recommendation](#)"
- Coherency with "[Project mobility rules](#)"

2. For each twinning:

- Number of missions: Not more than **8 missions** can be considered in this assessment. You can realize:
 - 8 missions with 1 experts/mission
 - 4 missions with 2 experts/mission ...
- Deadline: After agreement on your twinning project, you have **12 months** to carry out the missions.

3. Financial support will be limited for each mission to :

- Travel: maximum **EUR 1000** (Train 1st Class or Plane APEX economy class);
- Per Diem: maximum **EUR 70 per day**.

If real cost is over above mentioned limits, the remaining part will be supported either by sending organisation, either by host.

4. Overall assessment will be done according to the:

- Definition of mission main objectives
- Relevance for IWRM improvement
- Expert profile (Curriculum Vitae) adequacy with objective

Papers to join to project report:

- Copy of signed Twinning Agreement
- Copy of signed TWINBASIN^{xn} MoU (*MoU can be downloaded on www.twinbasin.org*)
- Expert Profile

5. Decision for financial support:

It will be transmitted to demander within 2 months after request.

6. Refunding:

You must download "[Guidelines to report the missions](#)"

It will be done after "Expenses Form reception" and "Report approbation" (within 1 month after Report reception).

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• **Programme of exchanges 2006 :**

➔ **Mission 1**

• **Topic :** Familiarisation mission

• **Main objectives (Please provide sufficient details):**

The main objective of the familiarisation mission is to establish a friendly cooperation between the two basin organisations.

More particularly this mission aims to give both basins a better understanding of how both organisations function, with emphasis on how formal platforms for cooperation and collaboration between stakeholders, between administrative organisations and between stakeholders and administrative organisations can be created and operate, so that comprehensive IWRM policies can be identified, prioritised and implemented.

• **Mission's outputs:**

The initial expectations of this mission are that policy makers and experts exchange knowledge, discuss similar problems and learn from each other. All this will help river basin organisations from both river basins to improve their expertise and thus help them to overcome water management problems. This in turn will improve the functioning of their institutions.

• **Results indicators:**

Creation of a network of River Basin Organisations

Linking experts and policy makers

Exchange experience for saving water and mitigating water pollution

Planning of join research projects and publications

• **Host Basin Organisation:** Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace.....

• **Place:** Kavala, Greece.....

• **Duration of stay within Twinned organisation:**7 days.....

• **Estimated calendar about mission implementation (month/year):** March 2007.....

• **Number of experts involved:**

3 travelling **Anne Browning-Aiken**, Environmental conflict mediator/facilitator and environmental programme manager (environmental research and policy institute)
Holly Richter, chairperson of the Upper San Pedro Partnership Technical Advisory Committee
Roberto Salmon , General Director, Comisión Nacional del Agua, Gerencia Regional Noroeste

3 attending locally **Jacques Ganoulis**, coordinator UNESCO Chair and Network INWEB
Georgios Kampas, Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
Placeholder, White Sea Water Agency/West Aegean Water Basin Directorate, Ministry of Environment and Water, Bulgaria

Air ticket (€) (per expert)	Per diem (per expert)		Number of experts involved	TOTAL (€)
	days	x 70 € Total (€)		
1200	7	490	3	5070

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➔ Mission 2

- **Topic :** *Cooperation between stakeholders, between institutions and between stakeholders and institutions.*

Background

The Upper San Pedro partnership brings together 21 different government agencies and private organisations to ensure that the area's water needs are being met with. Under this leadership multi-disciplinary studies are coordinated, plans are developed, and integrated projects implemented. The Partnership has experience in developing formal structures so that the public can get involved in helping to plan its own future, so that diverse stakeholders and institutions can speak with one voice and use that voice to form good water policy and support the efforts of member agencies.

The Greek part of the Mesta/Nestos River Basin belongs to three different prefectures (Drama, Xanthi and Kavala), and according to the new Greek water law implementing the EU Water Framework Directive, the Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace is the basin organisation responsible for water management policy. Other involved agencies include The Ministry of Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works, General Directorate for Environment, DEH (Public Power Corporation) (the owner and operator of the Thisavros and Platanovrissi hydroelectric dams), the Institute of Geology and Mining Resources (IGME) (in charge of monitoring, evaluation and management of groundwater resources, TOEV (Water Irrigation Company) (in charge of the management of irrigation water rights and metering for farmers in the Nestos delta region), DEYA, Municipal Enterprise for Water Supply and Sewage of Kavala, Xanthi and Xrisoupoli (responsible for fresh water abstraction and distribution to local towns), municipalities (sometimes in charge of urban water supply), the Natural Agriculture Research Foundation (NAGREF) (responsible for the assessment, monitoring and enforcement of coastal management and fish farming policies in the Nestos delta coastal zone), EPO-Living Lakes, Society for Protection of Nature and Ecodevelopment (matters related to the protection of RAMSAR and NATURA 2000 programmes in the Nestos delta. The Democritus University of Thrace (DUTH) (conducts research and consulting activities related to the groundwater management of the Nestos delta, the construction of hydropower dams and the ecology of the coastal interface in the delta), and The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH) (involved in the Nestos River hydrology, water quality and biomes assessment as well as numerous cross-boundary cooperative programmes with Bulgarian institutions on the management of the Mesta/Nestos region).

On the Bulgarian side of the Mesta/Nestos River basin the institutions responsible for and/or taking part in water management are:

- *Ministry for Environment and Water*
- *Executive Agency on Environment at the Ministry of the Environment and Water*
- *Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works (MRDPW)*
- *Ministry of Health*
- *Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry*
- *Ministry of Finance*
- *Municipalities and local water companies*
- *Bulgarian National Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.*

- **Main objectives (Please provide sufficient details):**

The aim is that the Mesta/Nestos River basin organisation will benefit from learning about the experience of the Upper San Pedro Partnership and see how this basin partnership works in practice and enhance its knowledge on integrated water resources management in transboundary river basins and issues of public involvement and public participation.

- **Missions' outputs:**

- *identify a set of recommendations for policy-makers, water managers and institutions, and stakeholders regarding IWRM in the Mesta/Nestos River basin*
- *build short and long-term plans for developing a transboundary Mesta/Nestos water basin authority between Greece and Bulgaria.*

- **Results indicators:**

Development of a network of stakeholders, NGOs, scientists and policy makers between both basins
Plan future workshops for dissemination and raising public awareness

- **Host Basin Organisation:** *San Pedro River Basin*

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- **Place:** *Sierra Vista, Arizona, USA*.....
- **Duration of stay within Twinned organisation:** *7 days*.....
- **Estimated calendar about mission implementation (month/year):** *Sep 2007*.....
- **Number of experts involved:**

3 travelling *Panagiotis Georgiadis, Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace*
Georgios Kampas, Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
Jacques Ganoulis, UNESCO Chair for Sustainable Management of Water and Conflict Resolution

5 attending locally *Anne Browning-Aiken, Environmental conflict mediator/facilitator and environmental programme manager (environmental research and policy institute)*
Holly Richter, Chairperson of the Upper San Pedro Partnership Technical Advisory Committee
Bob Strain, Chairperson of the Upper San Pedro Partnership
Lucas Antonio Oroz , Comisión Nacional del Agua, Gerencia Regional Noroeste
Placeholder, Patronato de Apoyo a los Servicios de Agua Potable, Alcantarillado y Sanamiento de Cananea

Air ticket (€) (per expert)	Per diem (per expert)		Number of experts involved	TOTAL (€)
	days	x 70 €		
1200	10		3	5700

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➔ Mission 3

Topic: Development and application of bi-lateral agreements.

Background

Greece and Bulgaria have a long history of bilateral cooperation on the use of water; the first bi-lateral agreement on the use of Mesta/Nestos River waters dates back to 1964. Both countries ratified the Helsinki Convention for protection and use of the transboundary watercourses (1992; in GR in force since 1996) and the Espoo Convention. Since the implementation of the Helsinki Convention, Greece and Bulgaria have also cooperated on a joint monitoring scheme of its three common river basins, including the Mesta/Nestos. Cooperation in scientific and technical fields for the best management of water resources is also well established.

The Upper San Pedro Partnership needs to extend its cooperative mechanisms in the Sierra Vista sub-watershed to include the whole river basin by collaborating and cooperating more closely with Mexico whenever possible. The San Pedro River flows north from its headwaters in Mexico, and this means bi-national cooperation is vital.

• **Main objectives (Please provide sufficient details):**

The main objective of this mission is to transfer knowledge on the forming of bi-lateral agreements, and on how such agreements may be sustained in the long-term, with particular emphasis on identifying possible sources of conflict and environmental mediation processes that can diffuse tension and conflict.

Such agreements are crucial for the success of IWRM in transboundary river basins, such as those of the Mesta/Nestos and San Pedro Rivers.

It is hoped that the Upper San Pedro Partnership will benefit from learning about the experience in the Mesta/Nestos River basin and seeing how bi-lateral cooperation in this basin works in practice.

• **Mission's outputs:**

- Develop a set of recommendations for bi-lateral agreements on the San Pedro River basin between USA and Mexico.
- Review bilateral agreements between Greece and Bulgaria

• **Results indicators:**

Draft bi-lateral agreements between countries involved in both basins

Activate joint River Commissions in both basins

• **Host Basin Organisation:** Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace

• **Place:** Kavala,, Greece

• **Duration of stay within Twinned organisation:** 10 days

• **Estimated calendar about mission implementation (month/year):** Jan 2008

• **Number of experts involved:**

- 2 travelling Anne Browning-Aiken, Environmental conflict mediator/facilitator and environmental programme manager (environmental research and policy institute)
 Holly Richter, chairperson of the Upper San Pedro Partnership Technical Advisory Committee
- 3 attending locally Jacques Ganoulis, coordinator UNESCO Chair and Network INWEB
 Georgios Kampas, Water Directorate of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
 Placeholder, White Sea Water Agency/West Aegean Water Basin Directorate, Ministry of Environment and Water, Bulgaria

Air ticket (€) (per expert)	Per diem (per expert)		Number of experts involved	TOTAL (€)
	days	x 70 €		
1200	10	700	2	3800

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• **Expert profile (attach CV):** *To be sent later:*

CV Jacques Ganoulis

CV Georgios Kampas

CV Anne Browning Aiken

CV Holly Richter

CV Roberto Salmon

Resume Bob Strain

CV Panagiotis Georgiadis

CV Lucas Antonio Oroz, Comisión Nacional del Agua, Gerencia Regional Noroest

CV Placeholder, *White Sea Water Agency/West Aegean Water Basin Directorate, Ministry of Environment and Water, Bulgaria*