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## UNESCO-IHP HELP PROGRAM SEMINAR June 2009 – Guadiana Basin, Portugal

### STRENGTHENING WATER GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Évora, 24-26 June 2009  
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#### 24 June – Strengthening Water Governance for Sustainability

##### 9.00 – 9.30 Session: Overview

Welcome and seminar opening – Dr José Ernesto D’Oliveira, Mayor of Évora  
IHP-VII Core Themes and Focal Areas – Prof. Shahbaz Khan, Global Coordinator of HELP  
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##### 9.30 – 11.00 Session: Capacity development for improved governance; enhanced legislation for wise stewardship of water resources

*Measuring governance in the context of Integrated Water Resources Management –  
Experiences from the Brahmaputra, Danube, Sesan and Tagus* – Dr. Alistair Rieu-Clarke,  
UNESCO Water and Law Centre, Dundee

HELP Basin presentation: *A Little HELP for Good Water Governance: Catchment  
Management in the Tweed River Basin* – Dr. Sarah Hendry, UNESCO Water and Law  
Centre, Dundee – European Regional Coordination Team

HELP Basin presentation: *Restoring Environmental Flows and Improving Riparian  
Ecosystem of Tarim River* - Dr. Zhang Jiebin, Vice Director of Water Resources Research  
Centre (WRRC-CCAS)

**Forum discussion on experiences, lessons and potential responses** - led by Prof. António  
Gonçalves Henriques, President of Portuguese Environment Agency (APA)

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

##### 11.30 – 13.00 Session: Managing water as a shared responsibility across geographical and social boundaries

*Sharing transboundary waters in the context of asymmetrical power relations: lessons from  
the MENA region* – Ana Elisa Cascão, Kings College of London, CEAUP

*Cooperation within the Framework of the Luso-Spanish Convention of 1998. The Guadiana  
case* – Amparo Sereno (Águas de Portugal / Univ.Católica Portuguesa)

HELP Basin presentation: *Integrated Water Resources Management in the Lower Burdekin,  
Australia* – Dr. Keith Bristow (CSIRO, Australia)

HELP Basin presentation – Prof. António Brito, Minho University (Douro, Portugal)

**Forum discussion on experiences, lessons and potential responses** – led by Prof. Jorge  
Matos, President of Portuguese Water Resources Association (APRH)

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break



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## 24 June (afternoon) – Strengthening Water Governance for Sustainability

### 14.00 – 15.30 Session: Multi-stakeholder dialogues and social learning for water governance and sustainability

*Social learning and science in an English lowland catchment: The Eye Brook* – Dr. Chris Stoate UK Head of Research for the Allerton Project Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust

*Participatory design of water management alternatives in the Andarax basin, Almeria*" - ALTAGUAX project – Dr. Nora Cawvenberg, Unesco-IHE Institute Water Education

HELP Basin presentation: *Stakeholders involvement for integrated water resources management: the case of the Panama Canal Basin* – Dr. Oscar Vallarino, Autoridad del Canal de Panamá

HELP Basin presentation: *Dealing with complexity and uncertainty in water management: the role of community knowledge and social learning* - Jeff Camkin (CSIRO, Australia)

**Forum discussion on experiences, lessons and potential responses - led by Dr. Tiago Saraiva (Social Sciences Institute / ICS)**

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

### 16.00 – 17.30 Session: Local capacity development for improved governance

*The Potential for Increasing Social and Ecosystem Resilience: Lessons Learned from Transboundary Collaborative Planning and Institutional Assessment* – Dr. Anne Browning, Environmental and Community Collaboration Udall Centre (SAHRA) University of Arizona

*Hydraulic infrastructures and local expectations of development: the case of the Guadiana's estuary* – Dr. João Craveiro and Dr. Alvaro Pereira (LNEC)

HELP Basin presentation – Lefika Chetty, South African National Commission for UNESCO (Community programs – Street Knowledge)

HELP Basin presentation: *Summary of North American HELP basins activities and the HELP in Americas workshop last October* – Dr. Edwin Engman, HELP Regional Coordination Unit for North America

**Forum discussion on experiences, lessons and potential responses - led Engª Alexandra Serra, Vice-President of Portuguese Water Resources Association (APRH)**

### 17.30 – 18.00 Session: HELP in the Guadiana Basin

Introduction to HELP in the Guadiana Basin– Susana Neto, Guadiana HELP Basin Delegate

### 18.30 – 19.30 VISIT TO ÉVORA (walk)



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## 25 Junho - SESSÃO DE DIVULGAÇÃO TÉCNICA E CIENTÍFICA *Planeamento e Gestão de Recursos Hídricos / River Basin Management*



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### 9.00 – 9.30 Sessão de abertura / Opening Session:

Eng<sup>a</sup>. Paula Sarmento, Presidente da ARH do Alentejo, I.P.

D. Eduardo Alvarado, Presidente da Confederación Hidrográfica del Guadiana (Espanha)

Engº. Rocha Afonso, Vice-Presidente do INAG / IHP National Focal Point

### 9.30 – 11.00 Sessão: Águas interiores (Inland Waters)

*Qualidade ecológica das linhas de água (Ecological quality in river basins) – Prof<sup>a</sup>. Manuela Moraes (Univ. Évora)*

*A problemática dos caudais na gestão das bacias hidrográficas - experiência da NEMUS na bacia do Guadiana (Water flow Management in the Guadiana Basin - NEMUS experience) - Dr. Pedro Bettencourt (NEMUS, S.A.)*

*Fontes Poluidoras nas bacias drenantes do Sistema Alqueva-Pedrógão (Polution sources in Alqueva-Pedrógão system) - Eng<sup>a</sup> Ana Ilhéu (EDIA, S.A.)*

*A análise económica da utilização da água para rega (Economic Evaluation of Water for Irrigation) - Prof. Francisco Avillez*

**Forum de debate de experiências / Forum discussion on experiences – Moderado por Eng<sup>a</sup>. Simone Pio (APRH / Vice-President of ARH Tejo)**

11.00 – 11.30 Intervalo / Coffee break

### 11.30 – 13.00 Sessão: Águas subterrâneas (Groundwaters)

*Características Hidrogeológicas do Alentejo (Hydrogeology of Alentejo) – Prof. António Chambel (Univ. Évora)*

*Salinização do Solo. Causas e processos de controlo (Soil salinization. Causes and control processes) Eng<sup>a</sup> Maria da Conceição Gonçalves (Instituto Nacional dos Recursos Biológicos, I.P.).*

*Modelação do escoamento subterrâneo do aquífero Moura-Ficalho. Conclusões e cenários futuros (Groundwater flow modelling of Moura-Ficalho aquifer. Conclusions and future scenarios) – Dr. Augusto Costa (LNEG)*

*Aspectos relevantes para os Planos de Gestão de Bacias Hidrográficas (The significant issues for the River Basin Management Plans) – Prof. José Paulo Monteiro (Univ. Algarve)*

**Forum de debate de experiências / Forum discussion on experiences – Moderado por Prof. Luis Ribeiro (Grupo Português da Associação Internacional de Hidrogeólogos)**

13.00 – 14.00 Almoço / Lunch break



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**25 Junho (tarde / afternoon) - SESSÃO DE DIVULGAÇÃO TÉCNICA E CIENTÍFICA -  
*Planeamento e Gestão de Recursos Hídricos / River Basin Management***

**14.00 – 15.30 Sessão: Alterações Climáticas, Seca e Desertificação (Climate Change, Droughts and Water Scarcity)**

*Os Impactos das Alterações Climáticas e possíveis Medidas de Adaptação (Impacts from Climate Changes and possible Adaptation Measures) - Prof. Rodrigo Oliveira (IST / APRH)*

*Conhecimento e desafios na Bacia do Guadiana – investigação aplicada em Geografia (Knowledge and Challenges in the Guadiana Basin – applied research in Geography) - Profª. Maria José Roxo (FCSH-UNL) e Dr. Afonso do Ó (e-GEO-UNL)*

*Projecto AQUASTRESS Project - Prof. Rodrigo Maia (Univ. Porto)*

**Forum de debate de experiências / Forum discussion on experiences – Moderado por Prof. Luís Veiga da Cunha (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)**

15.30 – 16.00 Intervalo / Coffee break

**16.00 – 17.30 Sessão: Litoral e Áreas Costeiras (Coastal Areas)**

*Gestão do Litoral do Algarve (Coastal management in Algarve) - Engª Valentina Calixto (Presidente da ARH do Algarve, I.P.)*

*A Eco-hidrologia e a avaliação dos impactos antropogénicos e climáticos em sistemas estuarinos e costeiros: o caso do Guadiana- Prof. Luis Chicharo (FCMA - Univ. Algarve)*

*Ferramentas de apoio à gestão integrada dos corpos de água (Integrated management tools for water bodies) - Engº Adélio Silva (Hidromod)*

*O litoral entre o Sado e o Mira: resultados de duas décadas de investigação geológica (The coast between Sado and Mira (SW Portugal): results of two decades of geological research) - Profª. Maria da Conceição Freitas (FCT-Univ. Lisboa)*

**Forum de debate de experiências / Forum discussion on experiences - Moderado por Profª. Eduarda Beja Neves (Vice-Presidente da Associação Portuguesa dos Recursos Hídricos - APRH)**

**18.00 Encerramento / Closing Session**

Engª Paula Sarmento

Prof. Shahbaz Khan



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## 26 June – Innovations through UNESCO-IHP HELP

*Working Day for Help Delegates, Speakers and Chairpersons only*

**9.00 – 14.30 VISIT TO ALQUEVA DAM (including a stop for lunch)**

**15.00 – 17.00 Final Session: Cultural, societal and scientific responses to the crisis in water governance**

*This session will include lessons drawn from the seminar and opportunities to facilitate improved communication between Help Basins*

15.00 – 15.30 Report on day 1 – Susana Neto and Jeff Camkin

15.30 – 16.00 Report on day 2 – André Matoso and Paula Sarmento

16.00 – 17.00 Discussion and Conclusions

**17.00 – 17.30 Final key-note speech: *Innovations through UNESCO-IHP HELP* – Prof.. Shahbaz Khan**

### Location and Venue of the Seminar - Évora

The Seminar will take place in Évora, a city south of Lisbon and located in the Guadiana River Basin

The Venue will be at the Hotel:

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