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Field visit: the Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project

Niamey, 28 May 2019

Programme

| Time | Activity | Who |
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| 07h45 | Departure by bus from Hotel Terminus | (All participants and translators) |
| 8h30 – 9h00 | Introductory meeting | Project team |
| 9h00 – 10h00 | Visit of the Koubia sludge treatment plant | GIE (operator), Niamey authorities, project team |
| 10h00 – 10h30 | Transport by bus | |
| 10h30 – 11h15 | Visit of a sample of public water points and social connections to the water networks | SPEN/SEEN, project team |
| 11h15 – 11h45 | Transport by bus | |
| 11h45 – 12h30 | Visit of a school connected to the water network and institutional latrines | RESI, project team |
| 12h30 – 13h30 | Transport back to Hotel Terminus | |
| 13h30 | Lunch at Hotel Terminus | |

Aspects of the field visit related to the theme "Leave no one behind"

This field visit will help to understand the project's strategy to provide poor populations with access to drinking water through **social connections and the construction of standpipes**. Participants will also visit **school latrines** built with ramps for people with reduced mobility. **Universal access to sanitation** in urban and peri-urban areas will also be addressed through a visit to a sludge treatment plant.

Key questions related to the theme "Leave no one behind"

1. How were vulnerable groups identified, and who are these groups?
2. What are the obstacles and opportunities for vulnerable groups to participate in planning and decision-making in the context of the project?
3. What instruments have been put in place to enable vulnerable groups to participate in planning and decision-making? And how successful have these efforts been?

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Context

The Government of Niger, through the Société du Patrimoine des Eaux du Niger (SPEN), has requested and obtained from the World Bank funding for the implementation of the Urban Water and Sanitation Project (PEAMU), which focuses on the improvement of drinking water supply in the city of Niamey and in 21 secondary centres.

Key figures :

- Duration: 2011 - 2020. The project was restructured in 2016, and ends in 2020 with a total duration of 10 years.

- Cost: USD 90.80 million

The project has three components.

- **Component 1: Urban water supply (76% of the budget):** improving access to water services and ensuring their sustainability in Niamey, three other major cities and 18 secondary urban centres. In particular, this component will help to extend distribution networks by approximately 590 kilometres, provide 37,100 social water connections and 453 standpipes, while contributing to improving water quality in five cities.
- **Component 2: urban sanitation (19% of the budget):** This component aims to improve access to sanitation services in Niamey and Dosso. The component will support the construction of 23,500 domestic latrines, 5,000 domestic sanitation facilities with wells, 2,000 school latrines and 20 public toilets.
- **Component 3: institutional strengthening and capacity development (5% of the budget).** This component will help finance: (i) institutional support to the urban water sub-sector; (ii) environmental and social management; (iii) capacity building and support to project implementing agencies within the Ministry of Water, Environment and Combating Desertification (MEELCD); and (iv) project coordination and management.