Highlights and Achievements FY07

Supporting Regional and Local Institutions

- Supported the African Ministers’ Council on Water (AMCOW) in promoting WSS MDG roadmaps and developing WSS MDG Country Status Overviews for 16 countries
- Entered formal partnership with the African Development Bank; opened liaison office in Tunis
- Rejuvenated water utility-driven Association for Water Operators (AWOP)
- Provided extensive ‘leave no footprint’ guidance and policy advice on:
  - sanitation and hygiene marketing (in Benin, Ethiopia, Malawi, Tanzania and Uganda)
  - rural water supply strategy (in Benin, Senegal and Zambia)
  - servicing urban poor (in Kenya, Mozambique and Zambia)

Innovative approaches included:
- supporting the adoption of SWApS (in Benin, Kenya, Mozambique, Rwanda and Zambia)
- developing guidelines to support country processes in setting up and strengthening Sector Information and Monitoring Systems (SIMS)
- developing utility-small scale provider contracts
- developing out-based sector based in East and West Africa
- supporting HIV-AIDS forum in WS programs in Zambia

Capacity building to regional training institutions (NETWAS, CREPA)
- Supported local institutions in Ethiopia and Kenya to successfully mobilize EU funding for WSS projects

Increasing Investment and Aid Effectiveness

- Developed tools for modeling financing strategies, such as the Sector Wide Investment and Financing Tool (SWIFT)
- Developed tools for credit rating assessment of urban utilities and leveraging microfinance for community water schemes
- Investment support to the World Bank and the African Development Bank
- Developed a framework for SIMS derived from the regional experience; completed three SIMS country case studies

- Developed a framework for anti-corruption activities; initiating a global report on corruption in the water sector
- Supported to sector coordination/donor harmonization and SWApS (in Benin, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Burkina, Niger, DRC)
- Provided support to the arrangement of sanitation financing strategy/operational plan in Uganda and budget process support in Kenya
- Supported the development of the national sanitary protocol and strategy for Ethiopia

Sustainable Service Sustainability for the Poor

- Developed new business models which promote sustainability:
  - developed the concept for Business development services for community managed schemes in Kenya
  - development of self supply and sustainable handpumps (in Ethiopia and Uganda)
  - engaged the domestic private sector in serving the urban poor, and in management of rural water supply and large-scale sanitation and hygiene programs
- Developed Citizen Report Cards for urban poor consumer feedback in three Kenyan cities
- Increased value for money through: lowering drilling costs in Senegal and Mozambique; and analysis of WSS unit costs in Kenya
Support Strategy towards meeting WSS MDGs

**Strategies FY08**

- Intensify core support to focus countries
- Focus on key neglected sub-sectors
- Develop practical tools and knowledge on WSS themes
- Strengthen regional partnerships and networks
- Tailor specific approaches for fragile environments

**Highlights FY08**

Continue to focus on WSS MDG challenges, with US$12.3m budget, supporting 50 projects, implemented by 57 staff

Consolidate FY07 program and deepen impact in 12 focus countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia

Consistent core support to help focus countries meet the MDGs: strengthen sector coordination; support move towards SWApS and development of financial strategies; improve monitoring systems; track progress against MDG roadmaps.

Thematic learning highlights include:

- Leveraging domestic private sector in utility/small-scale provider contracts, rural water supply management, sanitation service provision, and market-based finance.
- Rolling out large-scale sanitation marketing and hygiene promotion programs (in Benin, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Uganda)

Increase downstream work for larger impact: output-based aid; sanitation marketing; utility-small-scale provider contracts; financing strategies, SWApS

Develop approaches to non-state delivery in fragile states

Stronger partnerships: AfDB, AMCOW, EU, AWOP, Gates Foundation, UN-Habitat, UNICEF

Specific on-demand support to: Angola, Burundi, Malawi, Madagascar, Mali, Nigeria, South Africa, Zimbabwe

Increased attention to quality control and impact assessment