

# GI WACAF Newsletter

## New biennium launched

The activities of the biennium 2008-2009 have begun with two National Workshops in Cote d'Ivoire and Senegal organised to test and review the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan in each case. In total two Regional Workshops and more than 20 National Workshops are scheduled within the remaining timeframe of the project.

## Activities 2008

### Cote d'Ivoire, National training workshop on coastal sensitivity mapping and oil spill contingency planning, 28 - 31 January, Abidjan



*Mr Benjamin Behi General Manager Shell Cote d'Ivoire, Mme Nassère Kaba Ministry of Environment, Mr. Martin Dibi Ministry of Environment*

Hosted by the Ministry of Environment in partnership with Shell Cote d'Ivoire; 30 delegates from the public administration, the chamber of commerce and the oil

industry, worked on CLC 92 and Fund 92 Convention, the development of environmental sensitivity mapping and the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan.

This workshop benefited from good commitment of the government and industry to work in partnership. An action plan was developed and priorities were identified for each element of preparedness.



*Deployment exercise by the CIAPOL and the Navy*

### Regional Workshop for the Development of an Action Plan, Republic of Congo, 10-14 December 2007

Three regional events were combined into a regional workshop in Pointe Noire, Republic of Congo by the government of the Republic of Congo hosted by ENI Congo and supported by IMO, IPIECA and the IOPC Fund.

The events benefited from the participation of 80 representatives from National Authorities and representatives from the oil industry members of the GI WACAF project.

The activities and outcomes of the 2006-2007 biennium were reviewed and progress indicators measured to establish a prioritised list of activities and launch the action plan for 2008-2009. The workshop demonstrated the commitment of national authorities



*Mr Malamine Thiam IMO, Mr. Louis Marie Nombo Mavoungou Minister of Maritime Transport, Mr Jean Baptiste Tati Loutard State Minister of State and Minister of Petroleum*

and of industry to improve preparedness and response to oil spills.

## Activities 2007



*Manuel Xavier (Minpet), Emma Gommès (Minpet) and the delegates attending the workshop*

A workshop hosted by the Angolan Ministry of Petroleum with the active participation of the “Associação das Companhias de Exploração e Produção” (ACEPA) tasked the 45 attending delegates to review the draft Angolan National Oil Spill Contingency Plan.

The final version of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan was presented to the delegates and was tested through a table top exercise in syndicate groups. The plan includes the on-scene commander organisation and options for response with a policy for the use of dispersant which would become active upon official approval of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan. This workshop strengthened the partnership between the ACEPA and the National Competent Authority with responsibility for oil pollution preparedness and response, the Ministry of Petroleum (MinPet).

### Angola, National Workshop for the Finalisation and implementation of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan, Luanda, 29 October - 01 November 2007



*Table top exercise : Santos Virgilio (MINUA), Patricia Cruz (TOTAL SA), Manuel Augusto Xavier Junior (MINPET), Ema Gomez (MINPET), Jim Thornborough (BP)*

### Cape Verde, National workshop for the Development of a National Oil Spill Contingency Plan and the celebration of the World Maritime Day, 1-3 October 2007

Hosted by the IMP with support from Shell Cape Verde, the workshop resulted in the development of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan. The NOSCP includes clear agreement on role and responsibilities and the on-scene commander organisation. The workshop agreed on highest priority given to the finalisation of the NOSCP an inter-ministerial working group will work on its development..



*Official opening ceremony table with the Minister of infrastructure , sea and transport*

## Namibia, National Oil Spill Contingency Plan Launch Workshop 24-28 September 2007

This National workshop was organised to launch the Namibian National Oil Spill Contingency Plan officially approved in February 2007. The honourable Minister of Works, Transport and Communication declared the Namibian National Oil Spill Contingency Plan officially launched as an operational document for the combating of oil spills in Namibia. The team of experts identified the next steps to increase the national oil spill response capabilities.



Mr Japhet litenge, focal point of the GI WACAF project, Ministry of Works, Transport and Communications and the delegates.

## Communication

New Website launched [www.giwacaf.org](http://www.giwacaf.org)

An interactive website ([www.giwacaf.org](http://www.giwacaf.org)) has been developed to ensure good communication of the six main objectives of the project. The website also provides real-time preparedness status reports, updated directly from the country profile information. All mission reports and technical guidelines are also downloadable.

Country Profile		GI WACAF		IPIECA	
Democratic Republic of Congo					
<b>1. National authorities for oil pollution preparedness and response</b>					
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The screenshot shows the homepage of the GI WACAF website. It features a navigation menu with links to Home, About GI WACAF, Activities, Country Profiles, Maps, Documentation, and Links. The main content area is divided into several sections: 'About GI WACAF' with a presentation context, 'Documentation' with spill preparedness reports, 'Project Activities' with seminars and training, and 'Links' with useful web sites. There are also several images related to oil spill response, such as a boat, a map of Africa, and an offshore oil rig.

The country profiles are downloadable from the web site. They provide information on the contact and the national oil spill response organisation



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