

Egypt

Ministry of Water Resources
and Irrigation

Mandate of the MWRI

- Management all the water sources.
- Planning , Designing , Construction , Maintenance of Irrigation & Drainage system.
- Development of water resources.
- Maintaining the surface & ground water from pollution.

The Egyptian National Focal Point

- In 1998 , the Main Information Center in the ministry has been chosen to be the Egyptian NFP.

Mandate of the Main Information Center

- Collecting and verification Information and data which concerns the various sectors of the ministry through the Intranet.
- Data/Information Management
- Designing and updating the website of the ministry.
- Link to other institute/governmental agencies information systems
- Support other information center within MWRI

Benefits of EMWIS

- Hardware Support
- Thesaurus
- Training

Major Achievements with EMWIS

- Since 1999 till now, Egypt has participated in all the meetings held through EMWIS .
- In May 2001 , Antonio Vera (from TU) visited the ministry , met some of the leaders of the ministry and explained the objectives of EMWIS.
- In May 2002, a committee from the European commission visited the ministry to monitor the progress realized by the Egyptian NFP.
- Propose Arabic Language for EMWIS

Challenges

- Lack of Fund
 - an agreement between the MWRI and Italian Embassy in Cairo (inception phase)
- Mutually agreements for Publishing data Information. (Thematic Directory)
- Mutually agreements for cooperation with other organization.