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At the end of 1999, the Hydrographic Basin Agency Constantinois-Seybousse-Mellegue (ABH-MSM) was designated as EMWIS Algerian National Focal Point by the relevant services of the Ministry of Works and Territorial Planning, later becoming the Ministry of Water Resources (MRE). The Ministry reviews each year the mission of the NFP and provides a specific budget.

Algeria has been one of the first countries launching a national website within the framework of EMWIS in June 2000. This website is trilingual (Arabic, English and French) and has more than 764 press articles, compilation undertaken with 16 information sources. There have been over 700 000 hits since the launch of the site. The NFP gave rise to an article on good practice for the Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation on Water (EuroMed Info Center).

Algeria is also a pioneer in the field of water data management with the development of a national system, considered by the other countries as a reference on the technical and organizational levels.

DATA

- **Area** : 2 381 741 km²
- **Population** (mill) : 33,4 *
- **GDP per capita** : 2 770 € **
- **Water per capita** :
400 m³/inhab./year *
- **Access to improved water resource** :
 - Urban : 92% *
 - Rural : 80% *
- **Water withdrawal** :
irrigation : 88% *
- **Access to sanitation** :
- Urban : 86% *

Sources :

* Algerian ministry of Water Resources, 2008

** Medstat 2007 (Access to water and sanitation considering the house connections)