

AEIN Implementation Status in Egypt
Until 26/12/2005

ACTIVITIES/ SERVICES <i>(as listed in the MOU)</i>	STATUS <i>(complete/ delayed / ongoing)</i>	OUTPUTS/ RESULTS <i>(as listed in the MOU)</i>	RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION	TIMELINE <i>(Timelines in MOU)</i>
Activities, outputs and timelines in the MOU <i>(MOUs due to expire in December 2004)</i>				
1. Review and provide comprehensive comments on the AEIN implementation guidelines.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no comments on the AEIN implementation guidelines 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	Apr 2004
2. Undertake an assessment, using guidelines provided by UNEP, of the status of Environment information systems and networking activities in the country, including existing institutional capacities and identify capacity as well as awareness raising needs.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent to CEDARE In June,2004 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	by end Apr 2004
3. Organize a national start-up workshop involving all the key stakeholders in environment information management in the country to get consensus on AEIN implementation at the national level. The implementation guidelines provided by UNEP will be the key resource material.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was held on 16 May,2005 with cooperation from CEDARE, and participation from all ministries and also from EEAA 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	By end May 2004
4. Prepare a national AEIN implementation plan and submit it to the Center for Environment and development for Arab Region & Develop (CEDARE), the UNEP Collaborating Centre in the region, for peer review.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent to CEDARE in 28,November,2004 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	June 2004
5. Establish a national implementation structure for AEIN consisting of a national node (or secretariat) supported by technical committees and working groups in accordance with the guidelines provided.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is included in implementation plan document phase 1: 2003-2004 for Egyptian Environmental Information Systems EEIS to establish the Regional Information Centers at Regional 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	Visible network by Dec 2004

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		Branches offices of EEAA.		
6. Establish and provide a comprehensive database (using Microsoft Access or similar tools) of national and or international institutions which collect environmental data in Egypt. The database must have fields that contain the country ISO codes in two and three digit format, e.g. Egypt, EG and EGY respectively.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A database of institutions that collect environmental data in Egypt, it is disseminated through EEAA website under Information Center / IT Networks www.eeaa.gov.eg In 15, December, 2004. 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	May 2004
7. Establish a national website for environmental information, with links to other websites of core environmental data producers and also ensure that the information in the database mentioned above (f) is also available on the website.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is established at EEAA website under Information Center / IT Networks www.eeaa.gov.eg In 15, December, 2004. 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	By Dec 2004
8. Provide a brief report on the state and process of environmental assessment and reporting in the country.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EEAA& CEDARE established workshops and issued a brief reports on the state and process of environmental assessment and reporting in Egypt. 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	Apr 2004
9. Produce a National Environment Outlook report.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arabic version of Egypt Environment Outlook (State of Environment) Report was issued and distributed on the world Environment Day (5 June 2005), it was also published on the EEAA web site. It was then translated to English, and published on the web site. 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	Dec 2004
10. Document the impacts, lessons (positive and negative) learnt at every stage of AEIN and AEO implementation at the national level.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed national report on Egyptian Environmental Information Systems EEIS at EEAA was issued in April,2005 that has supporting data and information to ensure objectivity that captures lessons (positive and negative) learnt at every stage of AEIN and AEO implementation, impacts and results of all these activities at the national level. 	<i>Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency EEAA</i>	Dec 2004

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		A separate document on AEIN and EEIS Lessons Learnt was also issued and published. It is established at EEAA website under Information Center / IT Networks www.eaa.gov.eg		