

## PRESS KIT

(Updated to October 2008)

### THE MISSION:

Hydroaid develops activities of training, know-how transfer and capacity building.

The field of activities concerns: the optimization in the management of water resources, the protection of human life and territory resources from natural calamities.

The aim is fostering sustainable, compatible development of the society as related to the nature of the territory and to cultural and economic features of the region which is the subject of the cooperation.

### THE ASSOCIATION:

Hydroaid was born out of an initiative of Public, Financial and Academic Authorities of Piedmont and was founded in Turin in 2001 with the primary objective of providing the forthcoming managers of the developing countries with a free school dedicated to the management of the water resources.

To date, the school graduated more than 300 people from more than 50 countries. More than 25% of them are women.

Hydroaid's activities started in March 2002 and – since then – courses have been held every year.

Furthermore, Hydroaid organizes specialist courses defined on the basis of the hydro-climate criticalities of the beneficiary regions.

The Association is also involved in various projects of international cooperation and promotes conferences and seminars of high technical and scientific profile.

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), which is a member of the Association's Board of Directors, is the main donor of nearly all Hydroaid activities. The Association is an instrument of decentralized cooperation. It meets the objectives of Italy's foreign policies and cooperates with the MFA in defining priorities for intervention in international cooperation water management projects.

**COUNTRIES** involved to date in HYDROAID's projects of cooperation: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia Herzegovina, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Chad, China, Central African Republic, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Georgia, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Jordan, Honduras, Iraq, Kenya, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Macedonia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestinian Authority, Paraguay, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, East Timor, Tunisia, Vietnam, Ukraine, Uganda, Western Sahara.

## **STRUCTURE**

### **The CHAIRMAN**

Ambassador Giorgio Giacomelli, former Under-Secretary General of the United Nations, was elected to the position of chairmanship in July 2002. He is also a member of the United Nations Secretary General Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation (UNSGAB).

### **The PARTNERS**

Regional Council of Piedmont, Province Council of Turin, Municipality of Turin, *Compagnia di San Paolo*, *Politecnico of Turin*, University of Turin, *SMAT s.p.a.*, *ATO3 Torinese*, *CSI-Piemonte*, Chamber of Commerce of Turin, ENAS-Water Authority of Sardinia.

### **The BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board is the executive body of the Association. The representatives of the Partners sit on the Board together with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

### **The DONORS**

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Council of Piedmont, Province Council of Turin, Municipality of Turin, ATO3, *Politecnico of Turin*, *University of Turin*, *Compagnia di San Paolo*, *SMAT*, *Fondazione CRT*, the Chamber of Commerce of Turin, , *CSI- Piemonte*, ENAS.

### **The CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Dr. Rossella Monti, former CEO of the Water Security Division of Landau Network Centro Volta, Como, was appointed Hydroaid CEO in March 2005. An environmental engineer, Dr. Monti holds a Ph.D. in hydraulic engineering and a postdoctoral qualification in fluid dynamics.

### **The SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

The Scientific Committee is elected by the Board of Directors and has a consulting role to the Board in the scientific matters which involve the Association.

### **SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PARTNERS**

University of Turin, *Politecnico of Turin*, *SMAT s.p.a.*, ITC-ILO, IILA – Italian- Latin American Institute, Landau Network - Centro Volta, Italian Hydrotechnical Association, Centro Studi Deflussi Urbani, ACDA- Azienda Cuneese dell'Acqua S.p.A, ENAS- Water Authority of Sardinia, AII-Italian Hydrotechnical Association, LVIA-International Association of the Laic Volunteers, ISPI-Institute for the studies of International Politics, AQP-Acquedotto Pugliese S.p.A., ATO3 Torinese.

## **INTERNATIONAL EVENTS WHICH SAW HYDROAID'S PARTICIPATION:**

**IXth Cannes Water Symposium** (Cannes, June 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, Palais des Festival). Organized by: UNESCO, the City of Cannes, United Nations University, University of Nice-Sophia Antipolis, under the high patronage of Christian Estrosi, Ministre délégué à l'Aménagement du Territoire (France)

**Terra Madre** (SLOW FOOD- October 26<sup>th</sup> through 30<sup>th</sup> 2006 - Turin, Oval) - HYDROAID participated to this great international event with a conference (on October 28<sup>th</sup>) titled "*What water we have, what water we want*". Famous national and international experts analyzed ethical and economic aspects of pressing topical interest, which are often the source of controversies and animated debates. HYA's C.E.O, Ms. Rossella Monti, gave a speech focused on the *ethics* of water. The date of attendance did not fail the expectations: the gathering involved over 1,500 rural communities coming from the five continents, 5,000 farmers, breeders, fishermen, producers of traditional food, besides 400 university representatives. The authorities were widely represented by the President of the Republic - the R. H. Giorgio Napolitano - the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ms. P. Sentinelli, Mr. Fausto Bertinotti, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies, the Ministers of Agriculture and Environment De Castro and Pecoraro Scanio, Members of Parliament Fassino, Alemanno and others.

Amongst the items in the agenda: topics and issues relevant to agriculture in the view of safeguard and respect of the ecosystem, in-depth discussions on themes such as the environmental resources, the dignity and safeguard of the farming communities the world over.

For further details, visit [www.terramadre2006.org](http://www.terramadre2006.org).

**4<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum** (Mexico City, 16-22 March 2006). The event followed the previous meetings held in Marrakech (1997), The Hague (2000) and Kyoto, Shiga and Osaka (2003) and was aimed at further monitoring the progress of the objectives set in Johannesburg (August 2000 - Summit for Sustainable Development). A priority objective is the access to drinking water, which is today denied to more than 1 billion people. Italy submitted a document summarizing the efforts of the Italian System in the administrative, legislative, infrastructural, planning and scientific research dedicated to the hydraulic defense of the territory and the safeguard of human life. A chief objective of Hydroaid (which participated with Ambassador Giacomelli as Chairman of the Association and delegate of the Ministry – as well as member of the Governing Council of Water and Health of the UN Secretary General) was to indicate the transfer of knowledge and capacity building as strategic elements in the quality and quantity management of the water resources.

**3<sup>rd</sup> World Water Forum** (Kyoto, Shiga and Osaka, Japan, March 16<sup>th</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> 2003). Italian Session "Governance and Water Management: Lessons Learned from Italian Training Pursuits and Public-Private Partnerships". Hydroaid was one of the most relevant Italian Water Actions presented in Kyoto during the Italian session and subsequently in the Portfolio of Water Actions (PWA), i.e. the package of initiatives aimed at dealing with the water resource management issues in the developing countries. The session was attended by Ambassador G. Giacomelli, Chairman of Hydroaid and Ms. Mercedes Bresso, then president of the Province Council of Turin and

currently governor of Piemonte, besides a numerous ministerial delegation. On this occasion, Ms. Bresso proposed Turin as a candidate to host the 2009 WWF.

**World Summit on Sustainable Development** (Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August - 4 September 2002). “Capacity Building in Water Management for Sustainable Development”. During the Johannesburg Summit, newly elected Hydroaid chairman, Ambassador Giacomelli, called the world’s attention to the Hydroaid initiative in Italy and the world over and reiterated the need to train qualified engineers in the management of the water resources in the developing countries.

## **HYDROAID TRAINING COURSES**

***Institutional Course:*** HYDROAID, International School of Water for Development, has organized in Turin, at the International Training Center of the International Labor Organization (ITC ILO), every year since 2002, the «Post-graduate Course in Management of the Water Resources and Services», which is addressed to engineers and managers coming from emerging and developing countries.

The procedure for the selection of the participants is defined in agreement with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – General Management of Cooperation to Development.

Every year, HYDROAID’s post-graduate specialization courses graduate between 25 to 39 students, who are already employed in public administration and water resource management in their countries of origin. More than 25% of them are represented by women.

The objective of the Institutional Course is transferring to these young professionals the criteria and tools set up in our reality for a correct, efficient management of the water resources. The curriculum includes general and specialist modules dedicated to the theme of integrated management at urban scale and water management in agriculture.

***Master: Hydroaid-Brazil “Integrated Management of Saneamento Ambiental”.*** The Master, which was inaugurated in 2005, is held at Brasilia University and involves the participation of 30 students coming from Brazil, from the countries of Latin America and from the Portuguese-speaking countries of Africa. The duration is approximately three months. Hydroaid’s program is within the framework of the activities established with the *Ministerio das Cidades*, as it was defined in the cooperation protocol signed by and between the parties in February 2005.

Partners and donors of the course are the Italian Cooperation-Ministry of the Foreign Affairs (DGCS), the Brazilian Ministry of Cities and IILA (Italian-Latin American Institute).

## **HYDROAID’s PROJECTS**

***2009, Training Program for Engineers and Managers from Sierra Leone on the Management of Water Resources, Italy and Sierra Leone***

The participants to the courses dedicated to Sierra Leone (first two curricula, for a total of approximately 28 students plus 2<sub>4</sub>tutors), shall be hosted and study

within the premises of the International Training Center of the International Labor Organization (ITC-ILO), an Agency of the United Nations located in Turin. The third course, on the other hand (30 students plus one tutor), shall be run in *E-learning*, and shall be hosted in the Information Technology Dept. the project will install at the Njala University (Sierra Leone). Partners: Ministry of Energy and Power (SL), Guma Valley Water Company, ITC-ILO. Donor: MAE (Italian Ministry of the Foreign Affairs).

The program is proposing three separate training initiatives which will enable to achieve three specialization addresses, namely:

1) “*Management and governance of the integrated water service cycle at an urban scale*”

Methods and issues relevant to the management of the integrated water service, with particular reference to the large metropolitan areas. Introduction to the systems and tools for the governance of the water resources within the territory. Quantitative elements and management issues of the integrated water cycle within the urban environment: Supply and distribution of drinking water, potable water treatment, treatment and disposal of the liquid and solid waste. Maintenance and billing issues (leak detection). Economic sustainability in management, tariffs and investments.

2) “*Management of large regulated reservoirs for hydropower and irrigation purposes*”

(Dam management) Management of large artificial reservoirs for the production of hydropower and irrigation. The Course develops the training of the participants on the technologies and methodologies in use for the building of dams for hydropower purposes.

Furthermore, it supplies the tools required for the management of dams for hydro electrical and mixed use.

3) “*Hydraulic works and sanitation*”

The course focuses the technique and technology of the main works of hydraulic and sanitation engineering, with particular reference to their viable applications within the context of the territory and of the needs of Sierra Leone (works of defense against flooding; works of hydraulic protection of the territory; monitoring systems of the hydraulic variables; hygienic and health infrastructures; disposal of the liquid and solid water).

**2008, HYDROAID’s Institutional Programme, Italy**

From October 13<sup>th</sup> to December 12<sup>th</sup> 2008, HYDROAID is organizing in Turin, in the premises of the International Training Center of the International Labor Organization (ITC ILO), the seventh edition of the Post Graduate Specialization program in management of the Water Resources and Services – addresses to engineers and managers coming from emerging or developing countries. This year, 37 attendees were selected (versus the 24 ones of the 1<sup>st</sup> edition), plus 3 tutors – also coming from developing countries – who attended the previous issues as students.

The purpose of the program is training managers who – once back to their countries of origin - are up to give significant contribution to the modernization of the water services, addressing the development strategies, the investments and management methods towards the most appropriate forms and most efficient implementations to improve the supply, distribution and utilization of water .

The different teaching methods range from the organization of *lectures* held by experts to work cycles and study visits to institutions and companies. The ambitious objective is to make the water management systems of the developing countries autonomous and competitive, and to support the process of optimization in the management and reorganization of the local authorities. In other words coming as close as possible to a high efficiency integrated water cycle which enable the recovery of the waste water for the refilling of the water table (in case of countries affected by drought); the exploitation of brackish water for both drinking purposes and in agriculture through the new technologies; the development of “tailor made” crops and irrigation systems; the setting up of a distribution and collection system which enables to minimize the losses; the detection – through planning and environment impact criteria - of the most appropriate activities for a sustainable social and economic impact.

The program – which was modified and extended in 2007 – has been broken down in three separate specialization addresses:

1. Governance of the water systems and services;
2. Management of the water resources and use of water in agriculture;
3. Supply systems for drinking purposes and irrigation uses.

### **2005-2008 Brazil Project:**

The objective established by the Brazil-Italy Inter-Institution Cooperation in *Saneamento Ambiental* is contributing to provide a highly qualified technical reference framework to formulate the plans and manage – through an integrated approach – the water cycle and the waste one as a *unicum* within the urban reality.

The start-up of the program has benefited to the direct support of the Presidency of the Federal Republic of Brazil, which – detecting in the *Ministerio das Cidades* the reference *partner*, has contributed to guarantee the objectives of a cooperation pathway which were consistent with the foreign policy lines indicated by the Italian Government. As a result of a development stage aimed at an appropriate technical proposal (second semester of 2004 – beginning of 2005), an Inter-institution Protocol of Technical Cooperation was signed in February 2005 between the Chairman of Hydroaid, Ambassador Giorgio Giacomelli, and Minister Olivio Dutra (*Ministerio das Cidades*).

The technical references which were committed the management of the activities, are Hydroaid and the *Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental* of the *Ministério das Cidades*, through their own *Unidade de Gerenciamento do Programa de Modernização do Setor Saneamento – UGP/PMSS*. The Program was developed with funding shared between the *partners*, which have borne the costs of the activity on a 50-50 basis. (As regards the Italian side, the Program benefited for – the 2005 – 2007 period – of a funding of Euro 500,000 for 2005, 200,000 for 2006 and 500,000 for 2007). The funding was guaranteed by the Italian Government, through IILA – Italian-Latin America Institute. On the Brazilian side, the funds were allocated through PMSS, which resorts to UNDP

funding. Again on the Italian side, a special financial commitment was allocated by *ATO3 Torinese* (100.000 Euro/year in 2006 and 2007). On the Brazilian side, the municipalities which were directly involved in the experimenting activities contributed through the dedicated infrastructures and human resources.

*The activities:*

**1) Master in Brasilia “Integrated Management of the Saneamento”**

The objective of the course is the training of trainers as related to the management of water resources and waste in urban environment. Mainly addressed to engineers and civil servants of Latin America and Portuguese speaking countries of Africa. The course became a *Master* in 2007. In the 3 succeeding editions, it has formed 110 participants from Brazil, besides Cuba and Angola.

The teaching curriculum involves a significant transfer of Italian know-how, mainly as regards the experience accrued in the sector of integrated and associated management as a result of the national directives dictated by law 36/94, as well as by the assimilation of EU Directive 2000/60.

The future editions of the Master shall also add an *E-learning* format master which – while still dealing with the theme of integrated management - will propose a pathway on in-depth analysis of the technical and management aspects in order to provide the participants with those tools which are required to develop a proposal for a plan of “saneamento” applicable to a typical urban reality.

Subject:	Training and transfer of technical experience in the integrated management of environment-related services
Modality of cooperation:	Specialization course, aimed at 30 participants (per edition), articulated on 12 disciplines, with following in-depth, provided through a multi-discipline integrated approach to the environment management. Classroom teaching, discussions, seminars and study visits constitute the training curriculum where the Brazilian and Italian teachers deal with the experiences and issues of the territory.
Participation:	Academicians, engineers, experts and managers from both Italy and Brazil constitute the teaching staff of the Master, which is addressed to managers and Engineers from Latin America and Portuguese speaking countries of Africa.
Italian Contribution:	8 experts make available their own experience as related to urban drainage (university teachers, professional, civil servants).

**2) Pilot Projects: “management of the Territory and of the Urban rainwater: Analysis of the Experiences and Training of the Trainers”**

The main objective of the projects is developing – through technical cooperation based upon concrete issues – a specialist training in the area of environment sanitation on urban drainage, detecting technical solutions and

improvements such as the management of the urban rainwater (waste treatment, sewage ducts), and infrastructures of collection and flood storage.

Starting from the indications gathered in the towns of Recife, Santo André and Belo Horizonte (where pilot projects were carried out), we have undertaken an on-the-floor pathway of experimentation, aimed at the implementation of new quality and quantity control strategies. The different agreements of cooperation were signed by the *Ministerio das Cidades*, the respective local administrations of the aforementioned towns, the university and research centers.

Subject:	Transfer of technical experience in the management of rainwater at urban scale
Modalities of cooperation:	Definition of technical solutions to specific real issues (pilot cases) relevant to the management of urban rainwater (waste water treatment, management of the treatment plants; sewage ducts and the like). Setting up of meetings, seminars and study visits
Participation:	Executives and engineers of 4 Brazilian towns (Recife, Manaus, Santo Andre', Belo Horizonte) assisted by Italian experts
Italian Contribution:	8 experts make available their own experience as related to urban drainage (university teachers, professionals and civil servants).

### 3) Exchange: “Associated management of solid waste”

The Federal Government of Brazil recently approved an innovative legislation related to the organization of public services through the establishment of consortiums which can organize and deliver services of waste collection and management in associate form between the municipalities and the local states. In this view, the experiences of the Italian *Autorità d'Ambito* awoke remarkable interest when presented at the first stage of the cooperation project (Pilot project in the State of Piauí) and – at the same time – it has become an example taken as a reference to start the application of the Brazilian law on consortiums.

The second stage of the project, which was started in the autumn of 2007, was aimed at 3 amongst the largest Metropolitan Regions of Brazil, namely: Recife, Belo Horizonte and Florianópolis. Even though they were mainly preliminary activities, the meetings developed in Brazil, and to which the Italian cooperation contributed also with the participation of *ATO 3 Torinese* and *Federambiente*, confirmed the genuine interest of the Brazilian interlocutors for the promotion and consolidation of the consortium logic as related to the management of solid waste.

The project is aimed at a study relevant to the models of associated management of the “saneamento básico” services, considering the public functions of planning, regulation, verification, social control and delivery of the service.

Such study is oriented to the start-up of new management modalities on a broad area and integrate the pedagogic contents of the training courses in the two other lines of cooperation.

Subject:	Technical support to the state of Piauí' for the drafting of an integrated management plan of the urban solid waste and the safeguard of the soil and water resources against pollution.
Modalities of cooperation:	Participation to the activities of the work group dedicated to the study of administrative and management solutions applicable to the territory of the State of Piauí'. Organization of meetings, seminars and study visits

Participation:	Executives and engineers of the <i>Ministerio das Cidades</i> , Italian executives of local authorities and experts.
Italian contribution:	Experts make available their own experience as related to planning, waste management, ATO management (executives, professionals, university teachers).

#### 4) Seminars, Conventions and Meetings

<p><b>Workshop “Experiences in the Associated Management of Waste”</b> ((Recife, Belo Horizonte, Florianopolis, 12-14-19 novembre 2007)–Promoted by: SNSA/MCIDADES/PMSS and HYDROAID</p>
<p><b>International Seminar REGIONALIZAÇÃO E GESTÃO ASSOCIADA DE SERVIÇOS PÚBLICOS DE SANEAMENTO BÁSICO</b> (Brasilia, November 7-8 2006) Organized by: Casa Civil da Presidência da República, Secretaria de Relações Institucionais da Presidência da República, Ministério das Cidades / Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental, Programa de Modernização do Setor Saneamento – PMSS, HYDROAID.</p>
<p><b>“Jornada Ítalo-brasileira Sobre a Gestão de Bacias Hidrográficas e de Serviços de Saneamento</b> (Brasilia, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2006)”- <i>with</i> the participation of engineers from Brazil and Italy. Approximately 100 engineers, representing different institutions attended the day, amongst which: Brazilian Water National Agency of Water (ANA), the Embassy of Italy Secretary of the Water Resources of the <i>Ministerio do Meio Ambiente</i>, Secretariat of <i>Saneamento Ambientale</i> of the <i>Ministero das Cidades</i> and the Regional Council of Piedmont, represented by the Regional management of Water Resources and Hydroaid.</p>
<p><b>Visit of the Brazilian Delegation in Italy</b> (Bologna, Milan, Turin, Reggio Emilia April – May 2006). The technical meetings proposed during the visits have seen the participation – on the Italian side – of : CSDU, ENIA, Ministry of the Environment and for the Safeguard of the Territory, SMAT, <i>ATO3 Torinese, Metropolitana Milanese</i>, University of Bologna, University of Pavia, University of Palermo, University of Milan, Province Council of Turin, , CDIU, Regional Council of Emilia Romagna, ATO5 Bologna, HERA, ENEA; on the Brazilian side: UGP, PMSS, SNSA, Min. das Cidades, public officers of Recife, Manaus, Belo Horizonte, St. Andre’ and Academicians.</p>

***Workshop “Territory management and Treatment of the Urban Water – Analyses of Experiences and training of Municipality Agents” (Brasilia, October 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 2005)***

Organized by: Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental - Ministerio das Cidades. Attended by: Hydroaid, Ministerio das Cidades, Agencia Nacional de Agua – ANA, Ministerio do Meio Ambiente, Prefeitura de Belo Horizonte, Prefeitura de Santo André (Sao Paulo), Prefeitura de Manaus, Prefeitura de Recife, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Universidade Federal de Sao Paulo, Universidade Federal de Rio Grande do Sul, Universidade, Federal de Mato Grosso, ATO3, University of Pavia, University of Palermo, *Politecnico* of Milan, *Politecnico* of Turin, University of Bologna.

***2<sup>nd</sup> International Seminar Territory management and Treatment of the Urban Water – Analyses of Experiences and training of Municipality Agents” - (Recife-Pernambuco Brazil, July 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 2005)***

Together with Hydroaid, the seminar was attended by: Government of the State of Pernambuco, Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental – Ministerio das Cidades, Agencia Nacional de Agua – ANA, Ministerio do Meio Ambiente, Ministerio da Integração Nacional, Prefeitura de Belo Horizonte, Prefeitura de Santo André (Sao Paulo), Prefeitura de Manaus, Prefeitura de Recife, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Universidade Federal de Sao Paulo, Universidade Federal de Rio Grande do Sul, SEMASA, EMLURBS, ATO3, University of Pavia, University of Palermo, *Politecnico* of Milan, *Politecnico* of Turin, University of Bologna.

The Brazilian subject, which is a direct agent of this cooperation, is the Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental del Ministério das Cidades – SNSA/MCIDADES, through the Direction of the Programa de Modernização do Setor Saneamento – UGP/PMSS, which is appointed to the coordination of the planned activities.

The Italian subject and direct agent of this cooperation is HYDROAID – International School of Water for Development of Turin.

The Technical Cooperation project was formalized by an Inter-institution Cooperation Protocol, signed in February 24<sup>th</sup> 2005, at the Italian Embassy in Brasilia.

***2008 Palestinian Water Authority of Gaza: Project for the Reuse of the waste Water for irrigation purposes on Amended Soils in an area characterized by a remarkable lack of water resources (Gaza Strip – Palestine)***

The project includes, amongst the institutions involved, the University of Sassari, the Ben Gurion University, ENAS and HYDROAID. Funded by the Autonomous Regional Council of Sardinia – EU and International Affairs Department by Regional Law no. 19/96, the project intends to meet two complementary needs, namely: the improvement of the management capacity of the water resources by the local technical personnel and the need to adopt – by Palestinian farms –innovative irrigation techniques and systems which reduce the water requirements of the agricultural sector. The project is therefore aimed at detecting techniques which are appropriate to the reuse of civil waste water in agriculture and the training of engineers from the Palestinian Water Authority.

Amongst the most significant experiences in the Mediterranean area, besides Tunisia, which has consistently used the waste water for irrigation purposes since 1970, and Spain, there are Israel and Sardinia.

Hence the need to support the local population through a transfer of know-how and technologies which has seen the same countries, which are currently implementing this program, dealing with the same issues.

### **2008-2009 Project “Cooperation to development: training is learned”**

The Regional Council of Piedmont entrusted to HYDROAID the project called “Cooperation to development: training is learned” within the Regional Program of Food Security and Fight against Poverty in the areas of Sahel and North Africa.

Such initiative was started on indication of the Solidarity Committee of the Regional Council of Piedmont and - thanks to the directives of the program – the commitment was confirmed towards countries such as Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Benin, Mauritania, Ivory Coast and Cape Verde, countries with which HYDROAID traditionally entertains programs of cooperation and training through the significant presence of officers and engineers who have been attending the Institutional Courses for several years.

The specific project consists of developing a database on a territory information basis which would systematize all the sector interventions in the area of Sahel, thus enabling the user to detect the criticalities met by colleagues in the implementation of projects or – on the contrary – appreciate the successful achievements.

The aim of this initiative was making available to all the *cooperation* operators the vast heritage of experience accrued by the interventions of horizontal cooperation which have been developed so far in the region of Sahael. A precious experience which – as such – is worth being shared.

**2005 Israel - Palestinian National Authority.** The course “*Improved Water Resources Management in Palestine: A Keystone for the Future in the Middle East*” is an initiative within the framework of the *Wings of the Dove* program, which is part of the New Italian Initiatives for the Middle East program set up between the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Italian regional, provincial and municipal governments. The course is funded by CIF OIL and Cariplo Foundation; the scientific aspects are managed by Hydroaid and Landau Network Centro Volta.

The course program consists of two-week training in Turin (technical, management and administration elements for the generation of a master plan), one week of training at the Ente Autonomo del Flumendosa (Cagliari) as practical experience in the technical and administrative management of a major complex basin system, a joint project of data collection on the Yarqon River basin by the PWA and the Yarqon Basin Authority and one week of training in innovative farming techniques at the Fondazione Minoprio.

The intent of the project is to give an impetus to the process of coordinated responsible management of water resources in the Middle East, and in the Yarqon River basin in particular, by building on the positive experiences of the Yarqon Basin Management (IL) and the PWA General Management in Ramallah (PNA).

**2005, 2006 Cambodia.** This project is co-financed by the European Union; the Provincial governments of Alessandria (Italy), Limburg (Belgium), and Kampong Thon (Cambodia); ICS, AMAG, ATO5, ATO6 in partnership with Hydroaid.

Stage II of the Cambodia 2000 project, which foresees training in drinking water resources management and building of the Taing Krasaing aqueduct, is part of the European Asia Urbs project that fosters relationships between local Asian and European administrations through decentralized cooperation. The project is managed by the ICS (Institute for the Cooperation to Development).

Hydroaid's part in the project consists in providing training seminars for 30-40 administrative engineers as local water district managers.

#### **HYDROAID's CONFERENCES AND FORUMS:**

##### ***Forum of the Youth on water "Water and Cultures in Dialogue"***

*(Turin, May 20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> 2008)*

The *Paralleli* Institute, the *Anna Lindh* Foundation and HYDROAID have promoted a forum dedicated to the youth of the Euro-Mediterranean area in order to foster the sensitization on the environmental, social, political and cultural aspects connected to the water resources and to the role they can play in promoting understanding and pacific coexistence amongst the populations of the Region.

Approximately 80 selected young people attended several workshops on Water: cultural heritage and inter-generation exchange, sustainable development and civil society, spirituality and emotions.

Amongst the lecturers, the Environment Councilors of the Local Authorities of Piedmont, Mr. R. Lattes, President of *Paralleli*, The Coordinator of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Minister C. Risi, Mr. E. Quaraeen (Lindh Foundation) and Ms. Rossella Monti (CEO of HYDROAID). *Lectio Magistralis* by Luca Mercalli (President of the Italian Society of Meteorology). The initiative was within the framework of the European Year dedicated to the Intercultural Dialogue.

##### ***Symposium "Associated Integrated Management of Saneamento Ambiental" Fiera Accadueo***

*(Ferrara, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2008)*

Organized by Hydroaid and by the *Ministerio das Cidades*, with the participation of the federal states of Minas Gerais, Pernambuco, Alagoas, Bahia, Santa Catarina and institutional and technical representatives of Italy. The agenda included themes which were dedicated to the in-depth analysis and comparison of environmental services in Italy and in Brazil. Mr. Giancarlo Galli traced the lines of a regulatory evolution which – starting from law 36/94 on the integrated water service – constitutes still today an important reference for the associated integrated management. The Symposium was attended by the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hydroaid's Deputy Chairman Mr. G.G. Migone, Hydroaid's C.E.O. R.Monti, The Ministry of Environment, the Authority for the Vigilance of the Water Services and Management of the Urban Waste (Regional

Council of Emilia Romagna), the National Waste Observatory (Municipality of Reggio Emilia).

***Presentation of the Human Development Report on Water and Climate Change (Como, Villa Olmo, January 26<sup>th</sup> 2008)***

In cooperation with UNOPS (Como Association for the International Cooperation), UNDP, Province Council of Como, Municipality of Como and HYDROAID.

HYDROAID's C.E.O., Ms. R. Monti, held a lecture titled "Water: a Tool of Cooperation".

***MELTING BOX – International Fair of Rights and Equal Opportunities for Everybody, Round table “The Water carrier of the Third Millennium” (Turin, October 24<sup>th</sup> 2007, Lingotto Centro Congressi)***

Organized by HYDROAID, the round table received the direct witnessing of some women “water professionals” who were being trained in Turin during the 6<sup>th</sup> HYDROAID's Institutional course and coming from Lebanon, Afghanistan, Palestinian Authority, Algeria, Armenia and Ghana. The meeting developed with the talk show formula, led by journalist Farian Sabahi (columnist of *La Stampa* and teacher of Course *Islam and Democracy* at the University of Turin), who stressed the role of the women in countries which are witnessing a consistent emergency in the availability and management of water. The role of those who fight every day with the issues connected to the cohabitation between peoples, ethnic groups, religions and economic systems. Women who carry a message of peace, solidarity and social engagement.

***Seminar “Novas Soluções para a gestão das Águas Urbanas no Brasil” (Brasília, September 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 2007)***

The meeting was promoted by the *Programa de Modernização dos Serviços de Saneamento/PMSS* within the framework of the Brazil-Italy cooperation activities in *Sanamento Ambiental*. Presentation of the pilot experiences relevant to the urban drainage which have been developed since 2005 in the towns of Belo Horizonte, Recife and Santo André. Through the compared analyses of the environment policies and standards adopted by the two countries, an in-depth comparison was carried out between the models of environment management and services. Key-note speakers: Secretário Leodegar da Cunha Tiscoski of Ministerio das Cidades and Ms. Rossella Monti, Hydroaid's C.E.O.

***Nile National Forum “The water variable in agriculture in the River Nile basin: identification of the issues and examination of the perspectives up to 2030” (Como, July 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> 2007, Villa Olmo)***

Organized by FAO and Landau Network-Centro Volta (LNCV) in cooperation with Hydroaid and Ministry of Foreign affairs. The forum was opened to a selected group of experts and professionals involved in the management of water resources and coming from different academic background (either pure or applied, human and social sciences), politicians, institutional representatives, members of international organizations and NGO's coming from different parts of the world, and – in particular – from the countries on the shores of River Nile.

The crop production and the social and economic development in the basin of River Nile strictly depend on one another in the dry areas, from the modalities of international management of the water resources which – in this particular case - range from its delta up to the great lakes in the Equator area. The management of water of river Nile is still today a subject of controversies amongst the countries on its shores. Just recently, the international interest focused on the need of establishing criteria for the use and management of the resources which can

guarantee an appropriate production of foodstuff to the whole population living along the Nile river. On such priority, thanks to the mediation of FAO, a dialogue opened amongst the country and a process of coordination is being started.

There is hope that greater interaction amongst these realities, with the technical and scientific support of the international community – will lead to a climate of detente to the benefit of all the stakeholders.

***Round Table “The Geopolitics of Water” (Turin, March 26<sup>th</sup> 2007, State Archives)***

The round table, organized in cooperation with ISPI (Institute for the Studies of International Politics) during the World Water Day of March 22<sup>nd</sup>, has deepened the theme of water “geopolitics” and was structured in three moments, namely:

1. A presentation of the role of water resources in the current international contest and on the impact that scarcity or non-scarcity of such resources has in the relationships between the states.
2. The case analysis of Middle East and – first of all – the relationships between Palestinian Authority and Israel as related to the water management on the territory;
3. The analysis of the Latin American case with special attention to the water policies implemented in Brazil and to the relationship between water and development.

The theme was analyzed considering the weight and political impact on water management in areas which are featured by strong conflicts because of the scarcity of water resources or in areas where such resources are an essential element for the economic development. Amongst the lecturers: Rebhy El Sheikh (Deputy Chairman of the Palestinian Water Authority), Ram Aviram (water consultant, former director of the Multi-lateral Peace Process of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Israel), Marcos Montenegro (Director of the Technical Cooperation of the *Ministerio das Cidades*, Brazil), René Maury (University *L’Orientale*, Napoli), Eugenia Ferragina (CNR), Walter Mazzitti (Head of the EU Task Force UE on Water for the Peace Process in Middle East), Giorgio Giacomelli (UNSGAB). The discussion was chaired by Rossella Monti (C.E.O. of HYDROAID).

***“Environment Vulnerability, Monitoring, Governance of Risk Prevention Systems in the Water Sector” (Palazzo Barolo, Turin, 6 December 2005).***

The aim of the Forum was to present the administrative, legislative, infrastructural and planning efforts, as well as the scientific research derived from the Italy System on environmental protection and safeguard of human life, in addition to gaining an understanding and sharing the experience accrued from those criteria for the quality and quantity management of water resources which are worth being transferred.

One of the main objectives of the Forum was to set up a coherent Italian network that would work as a system and whose successful experience could be passed on to the most challenged countries, also through participation in major international events such as the Local Authorities conference at the World Water Forum (Mexico City, March 2006), where Hydroaid was represented by its chairman, Ambassador Giacomelli.

***“Between Science and Consciousness - Management of Water Resources in Ancient Times and the Modern Era” (Academy of the Sciences, Turin, 5 December 2005).***

The event was attended by prominent physicists, climatologists, archaeologists, engineers and historians, including Tullio Regge (awarded the Dannie Heineman Prize of the American Physical Society), Valerio Massimo Manfredi (novelist and author of the bestselling Alexander trilogy), Luca Mercalli (climatologist), Ettore Mo (war correspondent, winner of the Montanelli Prize), Renzo Cianfanelli (special correspondent for *Corriere della Sera*), Rossella Monti (Hydroaid CEO), Pietro Rossi (President of the Academy of the Sciences), Paolo Gallo (Egyptologist, discoverer of the Abu Qir Bay burial site), Eleni Vassilika (director of the Egyptian Museum, Turin), Ugo Maione (Ministry of Infrastructure deputy commissioner), Leopoldo Franco (international expert on coastal engineering and ancient ports).

The water issue needs to be set within a wider perspective that is interdisciplinary in scope. A merely technical approach would be incomplete, and the responses the scientific community is called to give cannot be appropriate, unless accompanied by radical changes in societal values, ethical principles, lifestyles, ways of conceiving nature and the like.

Hence, it is worth investigating how an archaic conception of the resource-once considered unlimited-has evolved into the far more dramatic current perception of limit, since no correct approach to water resources management can be undertaken unless it promotes an interaction between the scientific and the humanist cultures for policy making and strategic planning. Such coordination has often failed.

The convention examined the water issue in the light of the relationship between man and nature and how our perception has changed throughout time, up to the most current issues.

***Presentation of the Italy-Brazil Technical Cooperation Program in Saneamento Ambiental – Results and Perspectives (Roma, Embassy of Brazil, November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2005)***

The event was organized by Hydroaid and the *Ministerio das Cidades* in cooperation with: *Ministerio das Relações Exteriores brasileiro, Embaixada do Brasil na Italia*. Amongst the participants, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of the Environment and Safeguard of the Italian Territory, The Directorate General for Development Cooperation (Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs), The Italian-Latin American Institute (IILA), the Province Council of Turin, ATO3, the Municipality of Turin, the *Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental - Ministerio das Cidades*, the *Programa de Modernização do Setor Saneamento – SNSA – Ministerio das Cidades*, The Brazil Embassy in Italy, the Regional Council of Piedmont, the University of Pavia, the University of Palermo, the *Politecnico* of Milan, the *Politecnico* of Turin, the University of Bologna, the University of Roma3.

***2<sup>nd</sup> International Seminar “Management of the Territory and Urban Water Treatment of Urban water – Analysis of experiences and training of municipal agents” (Santo André – Sao Paulo – Brazil, April 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 2005)***. Organized by Hydroaid with the intervention of: Government of the State of Sao Paulo, *Secretaria Nacional de Saneamento Ambiental – Ministerio das Cidades* and *Prefeitura de Belo Horizonte, Prefeitura de Santo André (Sao Paulo), Prefeitura de Manaus, Prefeitura de Recife, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Universidade Federal de Sao Paulo, Universidade Federal de Rio Grande do Sul, Universidade Federal de Mato Grosso, Universidade Federal de Amazonas, SEMASA, SEMOSB, EMLURBS, ATO3, University of Pavia, University of Palermo, University of Milan, Politecnico of Milan, Politecnico of Turin, University of Bologna.*

***National Meeting for the Coordination of the Partnership Initiative within the framework of the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Water Forum (February 7<sup>th</sup> 2003, Turin). Organized by Hydroaid on behalf of the components of Sistema Piemonte to coordinate the participation of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Ministry of the Environment inter-ministry task force to the Kyoto Forum.***

The choice of the Italian Ministry of Foreign affairs of being supported by the *Sistema Piemonte* for the development of the pre-Kyoto event was determined by the innovative terms adopted on the Piedmont's territory in the management of the water sector, and by the presence of the Hydroaid reality as an element of excellence in the post-graduate training dedicated to the developing countries.

## **HYDROAID INITIATIVES**

### ***ART EXHIBITIONS***

***Photo Exhibition of Carlo Maria Maggia for HYDROAID - Terra Madre in cooperation with the Salone del Gusto (SLOW FOOD), October 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> 2006, Lingotto Fiere, Turin.***

The exhibition was held to receive and amaze, amuse and interrogate the experts, the professionals and the layman on the incumbent risk mankind will face unless we stop this crazy race, which is destroying our eco-system. The visual stimulation, the game of recognizing species, plants, flowers, rivers and deserts, gathered in a kaleidoscopic orgy of colors, are part of the photographic "ritual" celebrated by Maggia.

The issue of safeguarding our "mother Earth" and, with her, her precious vital lymph, *Water*, is dealt with in the artistic representation of the Author, through very high technology photographic tools, though without any post-production interventions. Any sophistication is banned by the artist, almost as if it were an essential part of his ideological manifesto.

Within the context of the Olympic Truce, Hydroaid held an exhibition of photographs by famous artists entitled "*The Toil of Women Searching for Water*" (September 2005) in Piazza Castello, the center of Turin. The photographs depicted the everyday struggle for survival in arid areas. To ensure the life of their villages, the local women--silent figures in a dire drama wherever water is scarce-cover tens of kilometers. The exhibition attracted a multitude of visitor. The photographs were kindly made available by De Agostini, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Giovanni Santi, the Civil Defense Agency, Andrea Guermani, Davide Bozzalla, Trevi S.p.A., Edizioni San Paolo.

### ***EDUCATIONAL GAMES***

Acquagame was created to teach children simple rules for saving water. Along with rules, Acquagame also teaches good habits in water use while having fun. The game is designed so that it can be used in the classroom by primary school children with the support of their teachers.

After playing for twenty to thirty minutes, the children will have learnt to distinguish between how to save water and how to waste it. The game is planned as part of a wider educational program

on water resources, dynamics and preservation that will help children understand the reasons behind correct responsible use of water.

### **HYDROAID AND SCHOOLCHILDREN**

*How to educate young people worldwide about water issues. An educational commitment promoted by Hydroaid in junior, lower and upper secondary schools.*

Hydroaid has taken an active part in projects and awareness raising campaigns about water issues worldwide addressed to a young audience through presentations, conferences and classes. The aim is to launch a debate among young people, representatives and professionals on the themes of drought, rainwater harvesting, conflicts of use and pollution, in order to raise youth and adult awareness and to enhance knowledge on environmental issues.

#### ***A UN/ Peace Child International project in collaboration with HYDROAID***

(22nd March: World Water Day 2007: Launch booklet in New York)

Water is the theme of this year's Human Development Report (HDR) - probably the most famous, and most widely read document published by the United Nations every year. But the reports are not widely read by young people, which is why the United Nations invited the young people of Peace Child's global network and HYDROAID to create a short summary of it. HYDROAID then invited young people around Italy to write first-hand reports, paint pictures, take photographs, write poems and stories to reflect their feelings about these issues.

They contributed with stories, paintings and poems about water to a full color, illustrated 28-page booklet. It was distributed around the world: in English, French and Spanish on World Water Day March 22nd 2007. All contributors got a certificate and the best contributions was printed in the booklet. The best contributors were given an all-expenses paid trip to the United Kingdom to work with the talented team of young people and UN officials at the Peace Child International Centre to edit the final booklet.

***2nd Meeting of the Italian Youth Parliament for Water*** (Turin, 11 May 2006), Provincial Council of Turin, Association *Triciclo*, Hydroaid.

***Workshop on Water Resources in the Middle East*** - Upper Secondary School, Cantù, Italy. A refresher course on the history and geopolitical aspects of the Middle East countries and the sharing of water resources among neighboring populations. Addressed to teachers and educators.

***Informative Teaching Aid "Israel/Palestine - Palestine/Israel"*** – Municipality of Turin, Co.Co.Pa. (Municipalities for Peace - Province Council of Turin), Hydroaid and many others. A collection of papers, proceedings, analyses, studies and researches on the complex situation affecting the Middle East. Addressed to secondary school teachers.

### **HYDROAID and the "100 CITTA'" PROJECT**

***2nd Forum of the Italy-Brazil Decentralized Cooperation*** (Belo Horizonte, July 25<sup>th</sup> through

28<sup>th</sup> 2006). Promoted by the Cooperation Agency of the Local Authorities (ACEL), ANCI, Municipality of Turin, UPI, Province Council of La Spezia, *Frente Nacional dos Prefeitos* FNP with the contribution of the Regional Council of Piedmont and of the Province Council of Turin. Under the aegis of the *Presidência da República Federativa do Brasil*, of the *Ministério das Cidades* and of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Hydroaid participated through the representative of its corporate components (amongst which the Regional Council of Piedmont, the Municipality of Turin, the *Politecnico* and University of Turin, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

( for further information, refer to website [www.progetto100citta.it](http://www.progetto100citta.it) )

**“Torino Localworld: The valorization of local competencies in the international programs”** (Turin, June 16<sup>th</sup> 2006). Organized by the Agency of Cooperation of the Local Authorities (ACEL).

**1<sup>st</sup> Forum of the Italy-Brazil Decentralized Cooperation** (Turin, September 21<sup>st</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> 2005) Promoted by: Municipality of Turin, Province Council of Turin, Regional Council of Piedmont, Cooperation Agency of the Local Authorities (ACEL) with the participation of Hydroaid.

Within the framework of *One World: International Cooperation Cities* workshops were proposed on different themes, ranging from the issues relevant to infancy and adolescence, to the management of the waste, to territory planning, to the management of the water resources and services, up to the intervention of decentralized regional cooperation.

Hydroaid coordinated the sessions relevant to the water resources, producing a reference document for the Italy-Brazil program of cooperation.

(For further information, refer to website [www.progetto100citta.it](http://www.progetto100citta.it) )

**HYDROAID AND THE MEDIA** (radio, television, printed press)

**2006-2008**

***Il Corriere di Saluzzo***, 02/04/08

African engineers to Costrade for Hydroaid

***La Repubblica***, 06/02/08

Change at the Environment Agency – Ravera appointed new director

**Radio RAI I**, 15/12/07

Special report of *Pianeta Dimenticato* (Forgotten Planet) “The Water which Quenches the Thirst in the Deserts of Hatred”( + EXACT Meeting) editorial staff of *Radio RAI I*

15/12/07 **Radio RAI I** – GR1 Interviews to R. Monti, D. Nevo, F. Kawash, M. Almomani (EXACT Meeting) by *Fenesia Calluso*

**La Stampa**, 29/11/07

The International School of Water “lectured” by a company in the Saluzzo area, *by the editorial staff*

28/11/07 **GR -Radio Parlamento** Broadcasting of Round Table *The Water Carriers of the Third Millennium*, HYDROAID, *by the Editorial Staff of Tg Parlamento*

24/10/07 **Ministry of the Equal Opportunities** – Regional Council of Piedmont Video Interviews to the speakers at Round Table *The Water Carriers of the Third Millennium* – HYDROAID *by S.Parker*

**La Stampa**, 19/04/2008

Solidarity does not travel in Business class

*by Beppe Minello*

**La Guida**, 14/09/07

International cooperation between Cuneo and HYDROAID - ACDA searching for Leakages

*by Massimiliano Cavallo*

**La Repubblica**- local news – Turin, 19/04/2008

Overpaid teachers and travels in business class – a storm on the agency for the third world

*by Diego Longhini*

**La Nuova - Nuova Sardegna**, 20/11/07

Hydroaid takes students from all over the world to Nuoro

*by Antonio Bassu*

02/04/07 **Market Press**. infoArticle on the meeting with Messrs. Rebhy El Sheikh and President Soru – editorial staff

10/04/07 **Radio RAI I - Pianeta Dimenticato** (Forgotten Planet), Special “Water of Peace” Interviews to the speakers of Round Table “The Geopolitics of Water – Part 1, *by Maddalena Santucci*

02/05/07 **Radio RAI I** Interviews to Monti, Aviram, Mazzitti, El Sheikh, Monti – Part 2

*by Maddalena Santucci*

**La Stampa**, 30/04/07

The Water Crisis and the Example of Hydroaid

*by Lucia Annunziata*

01/04/07 **Radio 24** – “Respiro” (Breathing)- Interview to the speakers of Round Table “The Geopolitics of Water

*by Silvia Alparone*

**La Voce del Popolo**, 01/04/2007

The blue gold is now fashionable

by *Barbara Borella*

**La Stampa**, 30/01/2007

The rich now assault African water

by *Giulia Vola*

30/03/07 **AlgheroNotizie.it** Press release on the Round Table and visit of the Deputy Chairman of the Palestinian Water Authority Mr. R. El Sheikh to the President of the Regional Council of Sardinia Mr. R. Soru

29/03/07 **Cronaca on-line** Press release on HYA round table and visit of Mr. El Sheikh to president Soru

29/03/07 **Regione Autonoma Sardegna** Article on HYDROAID round table and report on the visit of Mr. El Sheikh to the President of the Regional Council of Sardinia Mr. Soru

27/03/07 **Radio Radicale** Round table “The Geopolitics of Water” on-line by the Editorial staff of *Radio Radicale*

26/03/07 **Radio RAI 1** Interview to Ambassador Giacomelli on the “Geopolitics of Water by *Maddalena Santucci*

26/03/07 **TG regionale RAI 3** News service on HYA Round Table “The Geopolitics of Water” State Archives

**Ansa**, 26/03/07

Water: Israel-Palestine dialogue, a Discussion in Turin

**AGI**, 24/03/07

Water: the thin blue line, the Israel-Palestine crux in Turin

22/03/07 **GR Radio 24** (broadcast 3 times) Interviews to Giacomelli/Monti for the World Water Day by *Laura Bettini*

23/03/07 **Radio Rai 1** – Interview to Ms. Rossella Monti on Round table “The Geopolitics of Water” by *Maddalena Santucci*

23/03/07 **CEM- Bulletin of the Jewish Community** of Milan - Newsletter press release UCEI (Jewish Communities in Italy) “Geopolitics of Water” by Esther Moscati

**La Stampa**, 28/10/06

Salone del Gusto (Terra Madre) in program  
in *Società e Cultura*

***La Repubblica***, 31/08/06

Unesco stakes on Mirafiori 'Technologies for the South of the World '  
by *Marco Trabucco*

***Diario de Pernambuco***, 07/05/06

Projeto tenta acabar com alagamentos no Espinheiro

***Torino sette, (supplement to La Stampa)***, 24/04/06

At school to manage water

by *Silvia Nugara*

***La Stampa***, 22/03/06

Water: the primary asset denied to the poor

by *Tay Collins*

***Il nostro Tempo***, 19/03/06

At school to learn about water

by *Michele Gota*