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The polish implementation of AQUADOC-INTER project

The resolution about creating the international internet network in order to exchange information concerning water management was taken during the forum of the International Network of Basin Organisation (RIOB/INBO) in 1997. On behalf of Poland the resolution was signed by the Ministry of Environmental Protection, Natural Resources and Forestry and also by the Regional Water Boards - RZGW (members of RIOB).

The international portal of water management for the integrated management of water resources (*available on: www.aquadocinter.org*) will help to exchange the bibliographical, technical, and organisational information in terms of water between the participated in agreement countries. With regard to the technical aspects the system is based on the solutions given by quickly developing computer science and telecommunication.

The co-ordination of works at the international level was delegated to the International Water Office (Office International de l'Eau – OIE) in Paris, Department in Limoges. An access to the information database is based on the unified thesaurus, which contains the equivalents of the key words in the languages of all participants of the project.

Entering the project seven Regional Water Boards (RZGW) together with The Institute of Meteorology and Water Management (IMGW) started the construction of the unique in the

scale of Poland "water information system" — AQUADOC-INTER *(www.aquadoc.pl)*. This service presents current information about led project, which contains the following:

— information about institutions, which has taken part in accomplishment of the polish version of the system;

— the selection of updated news about water, mostly the news about prospective conferences, meetings, symposiums concerning water;

— AQUADOC – Bibliographic Database containing information about publishers, publications, conference materials and another works concerning water management, water engineer, ecology, hydrology, meteorology and spatial infrastructure;

— COOŚ – the Centre of Environmental Impact Assessment, which presents the problems of assessment of environmental impact (OOŚ) in water management.

Portal AQUADOC – INTER is addressed to the different organisations connected with water: professional, decisional, municipal and scientific in Poland and abroad.

The International Water Office in Paris propagates the idea of this system in another countries in order to create the national centres, first of all in these countries, in which exist and operate the institutions united in RIOB. The present stage of the project is concentrated on opening of new centres in the Central European countries like Poland, Romanian and Czech Republic.