The TWAP Groundwater Component Inception Meeting, hosted by the World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP), took place on 14-15 May 2013 at the WWAP facilities in Perugia, Italy. Participants who attended the meeting came from a wide variety of regional and international institutions and organisations, research institutes and academia. The main objectives of the Inception Meeting were to: • familiarise all participants with the objectives, outputs and execution modalities of the GEF TWAP component on Transboundary Aquifers and SIDS groundwater systems;

clarify the roles and responsibilities of each project partner, the project's organizational structure and lines of communication; and

decide on the next steps and project milestones.

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