



Project BIWAC - Kenya

Bavarian Institutional Water Cooperation

Project Name	BIWAC Bavarian Institutional Water Cooperation
Country / Region	Kenya
Time Frame	03/2017 – 12/2018
Finances	Bavarian State Chancellery
Project Goal	The cause of migration due to the lack of water supply in municipalities is reduced, by taking into account the competences of the Bavarian water sector.
Target Groups	Direct Target Group: Experts from water supply companies, municipalities, as well as political decision-makers
	Indirect Target Group: Disadvantaged Kenyan population, who suffer from insufficient water supply. As well as population in refugee-affected areas near the borders with South Sudan and Somalia.

Background

The water supply in Kenya remains disrupted due to bottlenecks in the technical supply network and due to a raising number of consumers. Lately, the water administrations of municipalities have to cope with increasing water consumption, while the water levels are lower each year. Currently, a severe draught further complicates water supply. All over Kenya, but especially in its northern provinces, the influx of refugees from war-stricken South Sudan and Somalia leads to increasing tensions between local populations and newcomers over water resources. Furthermore, the country suffers from a correspondingly precarious sewage situation.



German Partner bfz gGmbH

The International Division of bfz gGmbH implements development projects in the field of vocational training worldwide. bfz is one of the largest private and non-profit training organization in Germany and takes over in this project the organization and administration.

Project Partners:



Bavarian Environment Agency



Partner Organizations

Projekt Technologie Transfer Wasser (TTW)

The “Technology Transfer Water (TTW)” project, that is located within the Bavarian Environment Agency (LfU), was established in 1999 by the Bavarian State Ministry of the Environment and Consumer Protection to support international cooperation in the field of water management. The structures in the environmental sector that were developed in Germany for decades, such as widely recognized standards, certified technical professional qualifications related to water management, as well as basic and advanced trainings are offered to interested partner countries.



Bavarian School of Public Administration (BVS)



The Bavarian School of Public Administration (Bayerische Verwaltungsschule - BVS) was founded in 1920 and is supported by the Free State of Bavaria, the Bavarian municipalities, cities, counties and districts. The core task of BVS is to provide employees of public service with the best possible education in basic and advanced training. The fields of activities include the training of technical experts in various environmental engineering professions.



Project Description

The BIWAC project provides consultancy and training for ministries in the water sector, as well as water suppliers and municipal wastewater companies through the following three step model:

1. **Assessment** of the problems and first consultancy in Kenya by a German expert, as well as selection of suitable participants for a technical seminar in Bavaria, Germany (around one week).
2. **One-week technical seminar** on water management in Bavaria, including visits to technical facilities, as well as advanced training in theory and practice for Kenyan experts.
3. **Consultancy** in Kenya by a German expert to support the participants who took part in the technical seminar in Germany, in implementing their projects and strategies and to promote further contacts (around 1 week).

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