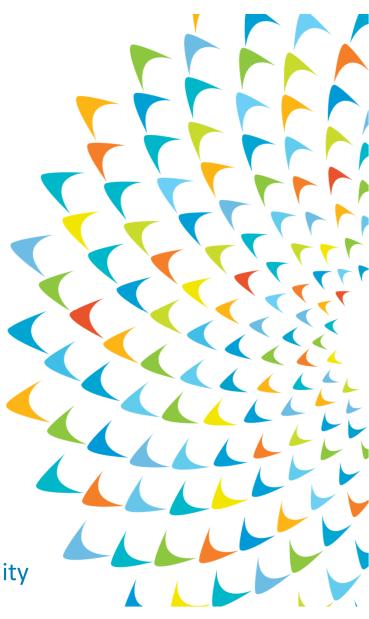
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S4C: Keeping the Taps Flowing: O&M Contracting and Water Infrastructure Sustainability

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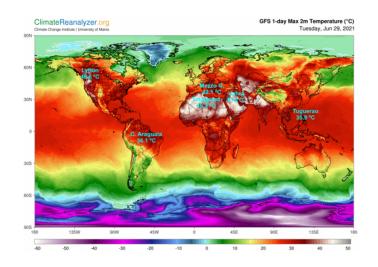
A one ADB initiative to improve infrastructures sustainability





Operations and Maintenance Contract Template for the Water and Wastewater Sector :

→ An initiative to support projects sustainability



Deliver water for customers in a scarce Asian and the Pacific context

Targets: Secure assets financed by ADB along time, better understand the infrastructures to plan future investments, reduce energy consumption

Proposed solution: Develop a new contract template to better operate water and waste water systems on the long term and increase efficiency and life time



Expected outcomes



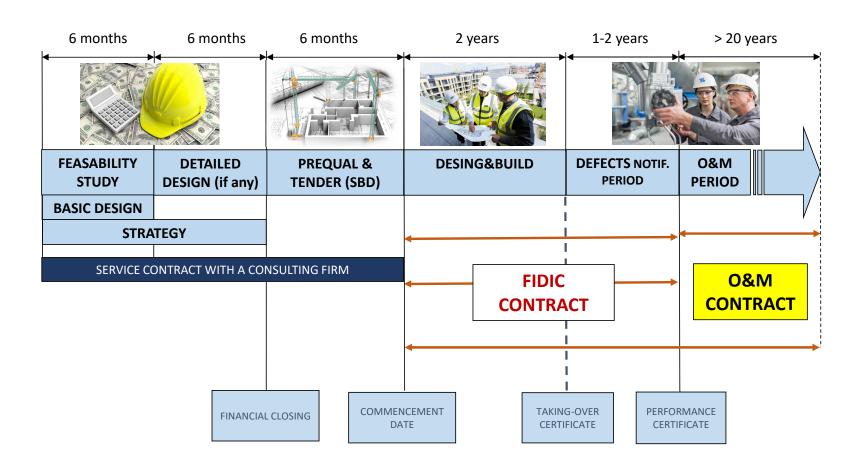


- Optimise scarce water resources
- Transfer technology and knowledge
- Reach KPIs
- Improve customer services

→ Transform water organisation with an efficient O&M



TYPICAL WTP/WWTP PROJECT LIFE CYCLE



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Expected output

ADB

To be developed by Fidic in 2022

• Define a contract template that cover the different cases to secure assets built:

- D&B + O&M : gold book (yellow book + O&M) (greenfield)
- Build + O&M : red book + O&M plug in (greenfield)
- Standalone O&M (brownfield)

O&M, D&B, O&M: bronze book (greenfield)



Technical and contractual/legal approach

- An innovative approach combining high level contractual and technical consultants, hired to:
- Benchmarks good practices on existing O&M to identify proofed solutions and best approaches
- Define Head of Terms
- Define New O&M procurement template/guidelines
- Disseminate, through seminars & trainings



ADB Operations and Maintenance Contract Template



Work plan





INCEPTION PHASE Q1 2022



HEADS OF TERMS Q2 2022



O&M TEMPLATE Q3 2022

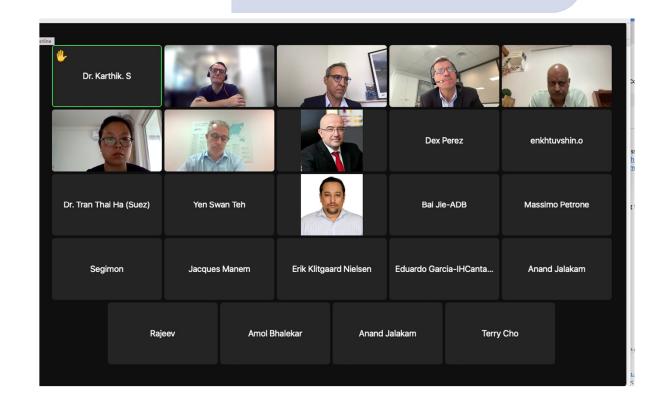


Workshop with private sector

- Questionnaires and letter from sent by ADB
- → Survey sent early May 2022 to the industry (water utilities, government, consultants)

Concept

- Confirm interest from the market
- Validate the O&M forms and get inputs on O&M contract specifications and positioning





Workshop with private sector

- → 57 respondents
- → 32 participants in the workshop including water utilities CEOS

Key learnings

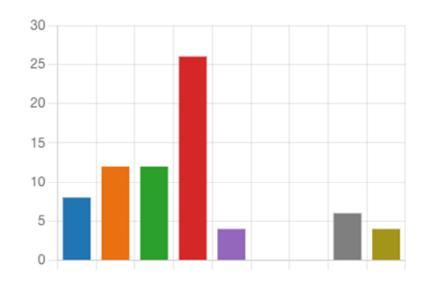
- Interest for O&M contract confirmed with collaborative aspects
- No silver bullet template but a modular format with key principles on fairness/risk, baseline agreement, payment
- Water distribution and production employers requirements to be developed separately
- KPIs should specially address sustainability
- Additional actions for EAs are required (contract management, support to financial sustainability, FM, creditworthiness)

THANK YOU!

Who are the respondents?

1. What is your primary role in the construction industry in general, and in relation with O&M Contracts in the water and wastewater sector in particular?

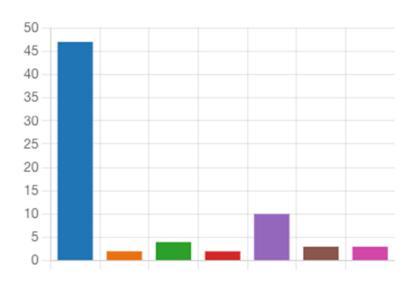
a) Public authority /Employer	8
b) Utilities	12
c) Contractor	12
d) Consultant	26
e) Engineer/Employer's Represe	4
f) Lawyer/Legal adviser/Counsel	0
g) Insurer	0
h) Lender/Project financier	6
Other	4



Country represented

2. In which country your organisation is based?

	a) Asia/Pacific	47
	b) South America	2
•	c) North America	4
	d) Africa	2
	e) Europe	10
	f) Middle East	3
•	Other	3



Attractivity of O&M

In your experience, would you say that a standar wastewater sector will attract more practitioners	
a) Clear responsibilities sharing	
b) Reachable KPIs and incentives	
c) Securing payments and financial guarantees	
Other	

6. In your experience, would you say that a standard O&M Contract template in the water and wastewater sector will attract more practitioners and for what reasons?

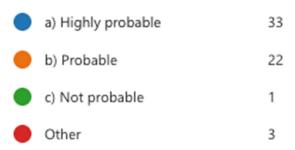
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- Other 11

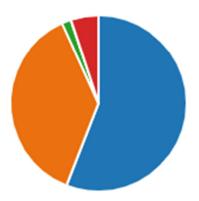


Sustainability and O&M

8. Do you think that a standard O&M contract form will contribute to ensure sustainability of water and wastewater infrastructures on the long term? *	
a) Highly probable	
b) Probable	
c) Not probable	
Other	

8. Do you think that a standard O&M contract form will contribute to ensure sustainability of water and wastewater infrastructures on the long term?





Discussion points

- Interest and sustainability
- Confirmation of the strong interest of O&M contracts for the private sector
- Interest in brownfield ?? At which conditions ?
- O&M is confirmed as key for sustainability of infrastructures
- How to attract private sector
- Fair and clear risk allocation, reachable KPIs, securing payments
- Prequalification
- Long term and performance based contracts with KPIs
- Clear responsibilities and secured payments
- Fair risk allocation, standard form of contract
- Existence of site data (what about brownfield ?), attractive remuneration (not always acceptable by clients)