IWRM Action Hub

RESOURCE

Evaluation of the environmental impact assessment system in Egypt

|

Author(s)
El-Sayed A., Badr

Description / Abstract

A formal environmental impact assessment (EIA) system was introduced in Egypt through Environmental Protection Law No. 4 of 1994. This paper evaluates the EIA system in Egypt by using both ‘systemic’ and ‘foundation’ evaluation criteria. The methodology is based on an investigation of EIA legislation, a review of guidelines and relevant documents, and interviews with EIA practitioners. The main factors affecting EIA best practice in Egypt are the limited numbers of local experts, inadequate public consultation, lack of environmental data, weak follow-up, and the absence of long-term land-use plans. Recommendations to strengthen the system include improving capacity building, implementing an effective EIA consultants' accreditation system, ensuring effective public participation and access to EIA reports, applying systematic environmental impact statement (EIS) review criteria and promoting environmental awareness.

Publication year
2009

Country
Egypt

Region
Africa

Publisher
Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal

Keywords
Social and Environmental Impact

Thematic Tagging
Water services
Language English
View resource

Related IWRM Tools



● Tool

Impact Assessment Committees

B1.04

Source URL: https://iwrmactionhub.org/resource/evaluation-environmental-impact-assessment-system-egypt