

TOPIC SESSION REPORT	Chair: ... Abel Mejia	Reporter: ...José Frade
<p>Theme: Financing</p> <p>Temporary thematic coordination group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Bank • OECD • IsDB • AfDB • Aquafed • Gates Foundation • NWP • EIB • Iler Bank 	<p>(Interim) Thematic coordination lead: Organization: World Bank</p> <p>Name contact person: ...Abel Mejia.....</p> <p>e-mail: ... Amejia1@worldbank.org.....</p>	
<p>Topic: 5.3 Water for poverty</p> <p>Topic Main Question:</p> <p>Topic coordination group:</p>	<p>Topic coordination lead:</p> <p>The various partners involved need greater clarity (Terms of Reference) on the roles of the various partners – should they produce a document, convene sessions, etc?</p>	
Key Topic Issues	Questions	Session Ideas
<p>i) Micro-finance, ii) OBA, iii) Subsidies to access the services (connections, standposts, water points in general) including informal settlements (land tenure issue), iv) share of cost of access/connections between the served and the unserved, v) finance of local private sector including informal small scale providers.</p>	<p>What specific financial and legal solutions should be considered to facilitate and accelerate access to water supply and sanitation services for the poor?</p>	<p>Financial mechanisms to benefit the poor</p>
<p>i) relevance of beneficiaries assessment in the design of service provision, ii) acceptable levels of service at different costs, iii) adequate low cost technology, iv) innovative ways of reducing the cost of the service provision (community/user own labour, credit or subsidies to purchase material), v) payment mechanisms, pre-paid meters, vi) the role of CBOs in the management of the service provision.</p>	<p>How could the service provision match the needs and expectations of the poor?</p>	<p>Service provision mechanisms to meet the expectations of the poor</p>
	<p>How to finance multiple water uses to address rural poverty, while protecting livelihoods?</p>	<p>Financing multiple water use to address rural poverty</p>

5.3 potential stakeholders

- NWP-IT
- Manufacturers
- Research
- Charities / foundations
- Professional associations
- Service water providers
- United Cities and Local Governments Africa branch
- Municipalities