



# THE LOCALIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL AID IN THE WATER AND SANITATION SECTOR IN LEBANON



## THEME

The localization of aid is at the heart of the current debates in the humanitarian sector. These efforts were later translated in the adoption of the United Nations Resolution No. [46/182](#), by commitments from international donors and the signing of Charters by NGOs ([Charte4Change](#)).

Aid localization can be understood as the strengthening of the role of local actors in humanitarian responses, whether users, local NGOs or even institutions.

The localization of aid is at the heart of numerous debates and rarely finds practical translations on the ground. In the water and sanitation sector, strengthening the role of local actors encounters institutional, technical, economic, temporal and coordination challenges.

With a multitude of actors intervening on the territory and according to various intervention modalities; Lebanon constitutes a fertile thinking framework for aid localization, offering thus the opportunity to bridge up the different actors of emergency and development by appraising their practices and implicating local ones in the decision making process.

## CALENDAR

This theme will be further developed in three working groups organized in Lebanon on:

- [The involvement of users](#) (17/11/2017)
- [The involvement of local NGOs](#) (12/01/2018)
- [The involvement of institutional actors](#) (23/02/2018)

## OBJECTIVES

Through concrete illustrations, these meetings aim at delivering the following objectives:

- Improve mutual understandings among international and local actors
- Enhance exchanges between the different aid actors
- Identify difficulties related to the localization of aid
- Identify and promote good practices.

Depending on the needs identified during these exchanges and the interest of the participants, this work may lead to the development of methodological tools or the organization of other exchanges.

## PUBLIC

Working groups are organized within the framework of [LEWAP](#) platform, facilitated by pS-Eau. They bring together actors, with notable expertise in the field of water and sanitation, interested in sharing their experiences and discussing their practices.