Project Summary

Project Background
With wider industrialisation in Egypt and neighbouring countries, environment pollution is increasingly felt as a severe problem. This pertains not only to environment problems affecting the local population but also is relevant for meeting environmental standards for export products. Although government and industry are aware of the problem, they sometimes lack the information and instrumentation to introduce cost-effective environmental management systems.

Project Objectives
The programme offered advanced professional training in order to acquaint the participants (junior manager from environmental agencies, ministries and companies) with the different instruments of environmental conscious company management, and to enable them to apply the relevant instruments in their daily practice. This objective included knowledge about the combined effects of reducing negative environmental impacts, the cost reductions achieved through material and energy savings, and improved market position.

Project Activities
The programme was implemented in Germany and consisted essentially of a 4 month theoretical training and a 3 month internship in German companies or organisations. The professional theoretical training (the main object of INTEGRATION’s contract) offered a wide array of topics, such as:

- Legal and market-economic instruments of environmental protection; European Environmental Legislation (incl. REACH);
- Environmental Impact Assessments – EIA; Spatial Environmental Planning;
- Waste management; Cleaner Production;
- Profitable Environmental Management (PREMA); Environmental cost accounting;
- Occupational Health and Safety;
- EMAS (Environmental Management and Audit Scheme of the EU) / ISO 14000
- Introduction of quality and environmental management (ISO 9000 vs. ISO 14000).

The course concluded with a component on eco-audit, and the respective certification of participants as internal auditors. During the internship the participants were supervised by INTEGRATION.

Implementation Features
The programme was tailor-made and responded to the actual problem situation to each of the 20 participants. During all training phases, the participants were linked with their home organizations as well as with InWEnt via InWEnt’s Internet learning platform “Global Campus” (http://www.gc21.de).

*) Countries: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia, Yemen

Services Provided
- Curriculum development for a tailor-made training programme on environmental management
- Development of course materials
- Planning and scheduling of three company visiting programmes
- Implementation of three 4-month integrated training cum visiting programmes for 20 participants each
- Placement and supervision of internships

Egypt & Neighbouring Countries*)
Advanced Professional Training in Environmental Management

Client
Capacity Building International (InWEnt)

Duration
09/2005 - 02/2009

Personnel
- 1 internat. STE (environmental engineer, team leader and coordinator)
- pool of internat. STE (environmental technical specialists / lecturers)
- 1 certification team
- 2 coordinators for study tours, training and internships