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Operating in a Competitive Water Market – London
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July 3-8 or 10-15

Mosaic.net International will be holding three international workshops on Participatory Development and Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation – Ottawa, Canada
Contact: Ms Francoise Coupal, Mosaic.net International, Inc., 705 Roosevelt Ave., Ottawa, Canada K2A 2A8. Tel: (613) 728-1439; Fax: (613) 728-1154. E-mail <www.mosaic-net-intl.ca>

July 5-7

Sewage: Treatment & Use, Sludge Conference – Birmingham
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August 8-10

R&D in Water Recycling & Effluent Re-use- Birmingham
Contact: Customer Services, IQPC Ltd, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1QU. Tel: + 44 (0) 207 430 7300; Fax: + 44 (0) 207 430 7303. E-mail <re-use@iqpc.co.uk>

August 17-23

5th International Symposium on Environmental Geotechnology and Global Sustainable Development – Brazil
Contact: Prof Walter Leal Filho. E-mail: <cassia@etg.ufmg.br>

18 September-28 October

Electronic Workshop: Land-Water Linkages in Rural Watersheds
Contact: Benjamin Kiersch, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 1-001100 Rome, Italy. Fax: (+ 39-06) 570-56275. E-mail: <benjamin.kiersch@fao.org>

18 September-6 October

Management for Sustainability in Water Supply and Sanitation Programmes.
Contact: IRC International Water and Sanitation Centre, PO Box 2869, CW Delft, The Netherlands
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23 October-10 November

Private Sector Involvement in Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation
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Coming up in the Autumn 2000 issue...

In recent years, participatory watershed development has become one of the most popular methods of tackling a whole range of resource-related challenges in rural areas. Enthusiasm for the approach has been so high that virtually all major development organisations and many national governments are promoting the approach in hundreds of watersheds throughout Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia and Europe. Whilst recognising the benefits of people-oriented development and management of resources, articles in the next issue of *Waterlines* identify some of the pitfalls that are inherent in current approaches to participatory watershed development. Positive suggestions are made for overcoming these pitfalls such that the benefits of watershed development are distributed more equitably and sustainably.

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As part of the Global Programme of Action (GPA) for the Protection of the Marine Environment for Land-based activities, WEDC and IRC are to jointly implement an environmental sanitation clearing house or gateway site. This aims to improve access to relevant, appropriate and quality networked information resources, including full-text documents, databases, networks and discussion groups. Organisations (both Southern and Northern) with expertise in the subject area will act as regional and topic partners in the project, and will be responsible for document identification for inclusion. The broad subject areas will cover: institutional frameworks, socio-cultural factors, environment, hygiene and health, planning, technology, management (incl. operation and maintenance), finance, and monitoring and evaluation. We would like to invite potential users to participate in the process of consultation by suggesting facilities or options which they would like to see included in the gateway. It would be useful if you could also outline your area of expertise or interest. Please

send comments by the end of August to:
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I am a journalist currently documenting successful initiatives in the following areas: water harvesting, soil and water conservation, traditional water harvesting and management method, erosion control methods, river bank erosion control. I am keen on exchanging information with likeminded activists from anywhere. I would be grateful if any *Waterlines* readers could provide me with any relevant suggestions or addresses. I am particularly interested in cases of groundwater enrichment through afforestation and other cheaper in-situ methods. **Shree Padre, Post Vaninagar, Via Perla, Kerala-671552, India. E-mail: <spadre@vsnl.com>**