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## SUEZ EXPANDS ITS PRESENCE IN AFRICA

### ➤ SIGNATURE OF FOUR NEW CONTRACTS

**SUEZ has won four new contracts in Africa with a total value of more than €95 million. The Group will contribute to structuring projects providing access to drinking water and sanitation services for fast-growing populations in Egypt, Uganda and Nigeria. It will also provide waste management for the Lesieur Cristal production sites in Morocco.**

These contracts strengthen SUEZ's presence in Africa, a promising market for the Group. Present on the continent since the construction of the water treatment plant at La Djoué in Brazzaville in 1952, SUEZ has built more than 500 drinking water and sanitation plants and serves the majority of African capital cities including Nairobi, Ouagadougou, Dar Es Salaam and Bamako. Since 2004, it has also been supporting several industries and municipalities in Morocco with waste collection, recycling and recovery.

- **In Egypt, SUEZ and its partner, Arab Contractor, will build the energy recovery unit for the sludge generated by the [East Alexandria wastewater treatment plant](#), which has a capacity of 800,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day. This project represents an amount of €65M for SUEZ.** Since 2008, the two partners, SUEZ and Arab Contractor, have been supporting the city of Alexandria in the modernisation of its sanitation infrastructures: a crucial issue in a context of demographic growth and urbanisation. The partners also conducted the rehabilitation and extension of primary treatment at the East Alexandria plant, and the construction of a biological treatment line which they are currently operating. An amendment to the contract has been signed with the Egyptian government, for the construction of the energy recovery unit for the sludge generated. The amendment extends the plant operation contract for the duration of the works. The project is funded by the AFD and the Egyptian State. The new sludge recovery unit will be equipped with the degremont® anaerobic digestion technology [Digelis™](#), followed by co-generation that will produce part of the energy needed to operate the plant.
- **In Uganda, the National Water and Sewage Corporation (NWSC) has awarded SUEZ and its partner, Sogea Satom, the contract to design and build the Katosi drinking water production plant, near Kampala.** The contract also includes the construction of a water intake point in Lake Victoria, reservoirs and a sludge treatment unit, taking into account the major anti-seismic constraints in the region. The implementation time for the project is 33 months. The plant, with a capacity of 160,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day, will provide drinking water for the people of Kampala. It will be equipped with SUEZ Group technologies ([Aquadaf](#) flotation and [Aquazur](#) filtration), adapted for the treatment of Lake Victoria's water, which is subject to algal bloom during certain months of the year. **The project, worth a total 82.2 million euros, including 25.5 M€ for SUEZ,** has been funded by international funders, primarily the AFD, and by the Ugandan State.

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- **In Nigeria, through its consulting activities, SUEZ is assisting with the “Niger Delta Support Program” supported by the government of Nigeria and the European Union in the fields of water and sanitation. SUEZ signed an extension of the contract concluded in 2013, for two years and a value of approximately €5 million.** This contract will guarantee the supply of drinking water for communities and villages, thanks to the development of small water supply infrastructures. It provides for training and assistance to associations of users in the local management of water. SUEZ is also responsible for improving water governance by reinforcing the institutional, legislative and regulatory framework in each of the States.
- **In Morocco, SUEZ has won a new contract with a term of one year for the complete management of waste from three production sites of Lesieur Cristal, a subsidiary of the Avril Group.** The main production site concerned is the one at Ain Harrouda, located to the North of Casablanca. This contract is in line with the sustainable development policy of Lesieur Cristal, the Moroccan agri-industrial leader, for which “cleaner production, consuming less energy and minimising the impact on the environment is a priority at all responsibility levels of the company”. It reinforces the existing partnership between SUEZ and Lesieur Cristal for the management of environmental services for the Ain Harrouda plant. Lydec already brings its expertise in the operation and diagnostics of the treatment plant of the effluents produced by the site as well as the updating and reinforcement of its electrical infrastructures.

For several years, SUEZ has been supporting the agri-food industries in Morocco, including Coca Cola (Atlas Bottling Company), Nestlé, Pepsi (Varun Beverages Morocco), Danone and more recently Nespresso, with which SUEZ signed a unique partnership for the recycling of coffee capsules on its waste-recovery platform located at Bouskoura.

*“We are very proud of our customers’ renewed trust, which illustrates the capacity of SUEZ to provide industries and large metropolitan areas on the continent with solutions and contractual models adapted to their needs. We are fully mobilised to continue to support the dynamism of African countries in terms of access to water and sanitation, but also waste recycling and recovery, an increasing challenge for the continent”*, indicated Bertrand Camus, Senior Executive VP of SUEZ in charge of Africa, Middle East, India, Asia and Australia.

### **SUEZ**

*With 90,000 employees spread over the five continents, SUEZ is a worldwide leader in the field of intelligent and sustainable management of resources. We offer solutions dedicated to the management of water and waste, which enable cities and manufacturers to optimise the management of their resources and to improve their environmental and business performances, in compliance with regulatory standards. In order to meet increasing demand and overcome the challenges in terms of quality and lack of resources, SUEZ is fully committed to the resources revolution. By fully exploiting the potential of digital technologies and innovative solutions, the Group processes 17 million tonnes of waste annually and produces 3.9 million tonnes of secondary raw materials and 7 TWh of local renewable energy. It also preserves water resources, providing 58 million inhabitants with sanitation services and recycling 882 million m<sup>3</sup> of used water. In 2017, SUEZ achieved sales revenues of €15.9 billion.*

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