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African Water Facility Liberia Sanitation Project Selected by UNFCCC as a 2013 Outstanding Climate Innovations

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Monrovia, Liberia (UNFCCC@PHOTO)

The United Nations Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) has announced the selection of the Monrovia Fostering Innovative Sanitation and Hygiene (FISH) project as one of the 17 Lighthouse Activities to be showcased at the November 2013 UN Climate Change Conference in Warsaw, Poland.

Lighthouse Activities projects are selected based on their innovative and transformative qualities, and are recognized for the value of the solutions they propose to address both climate change and wider economic, social and environmental challenges.

The FISH project was designed to enhance Monrovia city's capacity for sustainable city-wide fecal sludge management. The project complements efforts by the Government of Liberia and development partners to improve sanitation service access rates and reduce

the vulnerability of the urban poor to diseases caused by water contamination resulting from open defecation

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the vulnerability of the urban poor to diseases caused by water contamination resulting from open defecation and septic tank overflows.

Earlier this year, the project had received a €1.2 million grant from the African Water Facility (AWF) to cover 86 per cent of the financing needed for its implementation.

Coordinator of the African Water Facility, Akissa Bahri, said "The selection of the Monrovia project is a much-deserved recognition of Liberia's leadership in promoting innovation to deal more effectively with issues affecting peoples' lives and build resilience to climate change."

UNFCCC Executive Secretary Christiana Figueres said "The 2013 Lighthouse Activities are true beacons of hope, demonstrating what happens when innovation and passion come together to address the biggest challenge of our time," adding, "There are thousands of examples of people taking action to address climate change all over the world.

Donn Bobb, United Nations.

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