



Metito and Berlinwasser announced the formation of a new company on 27 October 2008 called Metito Berlinwasser. This company combines the strengths of Metito, as the region's leading water treatment company, with Berlinwasser, which runs one of the most efficient water utilities in the world. The new company is owned 60% by Metito Utilities and 40% by Berlinwasser International, and will be headquartered in Dubai, serving the Middle East and North Africa. With Metito's significant history and experience in treatment plants and Berlinwasser's unparalleled expertise in distribution, billing, collection and customer service, the company is destined to become one of the regions' premier water utilities. The company will be focused on serving the wave of privatization, public private partnership and private sector participation projects coming up across the region.

Being a global player in water and wastewater services, Metito Berlinwasser offers:

- high quality water related services across the MENA region
- modern business practices and state of the art technologies
- financial strength and business sector know-how coupled with international references
- innovative water and wastewater solutions - such as management and lease contracts or BOT and TOT schemes
- a focus on major schemes ranging from long term projects requiring investment in water and wastewater assets to short term operating and maintenance contracts

Founded in 1958, Metito has grown to become a leading international company in the provision of desalination, water supply and wastewater treatment projects and services. Serving a global client base with engineering, design, plant manufacturing and chemical production facilities in the UAE, the Group has grown to encompass more than 20 companies worldwide. At present, Metito Utilities is managing seventeen different concessions, BOO and BOT projects in the UAE, Bahrain, Egypt and Indonesia. Metito Utilities is a pioneer in this field, having developed the first desalination BOT in the region, in Sharm El Sheikh in 1999, and the first sewage treatment BOT in the GCC, in Dubai in 2003.

Berlinwasser is one of the largest integrated wastewater and water utility services providers in Europe and have a track record of over 150 years of high quality service. For over ten years, Berlinwasser International, a member of the Berlinwasser group, has been providing full wastewater and water utility services for up to 10 million customers in China, Africa, South America and Eastern Europe. As Germany's leading service provider concentrating on the management and operation of drinking water supply and waste water disposal systems, Berlinwasser International is active in water markets throughout the world. Within the framework of Public Private Partnership schemes, the company offers a broad range of infrastructure and consulting competencies for investment and development projects. The services extend to design and implementation of operations management, management contracts, collaboration with financial investors, concession agreements and BOT and TOT projects.