




IWRM-Net in a nutshell

Who are we?
Open network of research programme managers (IWRM) composed of 20 members from 14 members states

Our aims, in the context of WFD implementation


- A forum for prospective and co-ordination of research needs and programmes
- The facilitator between research and water policy makers and managers to bridge the communication gap.







	Knowledge management	the knowledge process? research management	innovation
↑ degrees of awareness	Implementation	Consultants reports	Strategic Research Programme
	Now		Blue Sky Research
		Focused Research Programme	Foresight programmes
	short-term 1-3 years	medium-term 3-10 years	long-term 10+ years

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First joint call:

- Water Governance &
- Hydromorphology
- Projects funded...
 - Innovative Instruments and Institutions in Implementing the Water Framework Directive (**I-Five**)
 - **FORECASTER**: Facilitating the application of Output from Research and CAse Studies on Ecological Responses to hydro-morphological degradation and rehabilitation
 - **KNAC**: Knowledge in Action in the Rhine river basin hydromorphological restructuring
 - Riparian vegetation modelling for the assessment of environmental flow regimes and climate change impacts within the WFD (**RIPFLOW**)

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- Second

- Climate change impacts and adaptation for IWRM
- Water Scarcity and Droughts
- Economics for IWRM: Social and Environmental Evaluation for decision making and Incentive measures to regulate uses

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Reports

- Map of research programmes
- 'Map' of network and partners along with liaison strategy
- Methodological assessment for Foresight
- 2015 and beyond - Emerging issues in Water management
- Self assessment methodology for research programmes
- 'draft strategic research agenda'




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- Launch event
- Mid-term conference
- Series of 6 research need identification workshops for short and long term issues
- Next meeting
 - **Wetlands** workshop to identify research needs Gland, Switzerland 2-3 November 2009

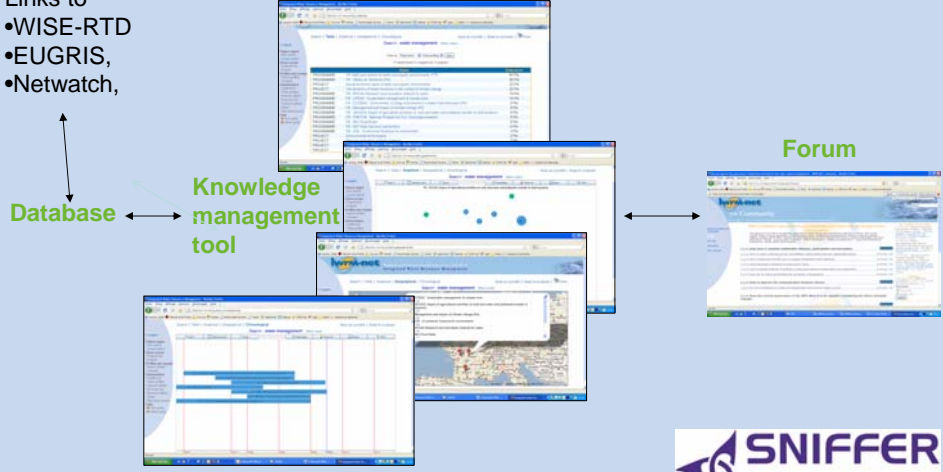

- **MORE USER-FRIENDLY INFORMATION TOOLS**
 - *User Interface re-design*
 - *Web Extroversion*
 - *Networking and Knowledge Classification*
 - **Statistics and Data Mining**



USING 'I.T.' to make life easier - www.iwrnnet.eu/community

Links to
 •WISE-RTD
 •EUGRIS,
 •Netwatch,

Database ↔ **Knowledge management tool** ↔ **Forum**


More Science Inside

-  **Strategic think tank?** on water related issues at European level with an European foresight strategy (links with SPI)

-  **Continuous scientific leading?**
 - Continuous scientific leading and scientific coordination for the network activity: How to create a community? How to ease the exchanges between scientific teams of funded projects?
 - Promotion, dissemination, communication of scientific results: How to monitor, evaluate the projects and disseminate the scientific results?





Networking and Interfacing

- highlighting main findings in communications to policy-makers.
- keep each other informed on relevant news,
- Developing a 'Lesson's learned from joint calls',
- Developing good practices on science policy interface (including liaison with the common implementation strategy of the WFD)



Research Programmes

- Finland
 - *Research programme on water management in agriculture and forestry*
- UK
 - *Defra - Farming and Food Science Programme*
 - Agriculture and Climate Change
 - Sustainable Water Management
 - *DFID - Sustainable Agriculture*
- Spain
 - *National plan for scientific research, development and technological innovation (Standing Committee on Agricultural research)*
 - integrated rural development,
 - competitive production and
 - environmentally friendly practices.



Future opportunities?

- Partners decide the next subject for the call
- Opportunities for smaller collaborations between 2-3 countries
- Agriculture and irrigation can be the next topic?

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Thank you for your attention

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