Support to assessment, monitoring and management internationally shared groundwaters



TIME FOR **SOLUTIONS**

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Groundwater from Global Perspective

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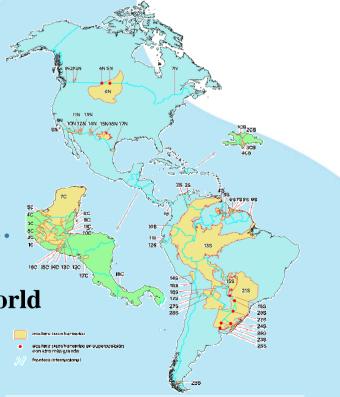
IGRAC facilitates and promotes global sharing of information and knowledge required for sustainable groundwater resources development and management

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- Focused on information and knowledge management, transboundary aquifer assessment and groundwater monitoring
- Receives financial support from the Government of The Netherlands
- In-house partner of UNESCO-IHE in Delft, The Netherlands

TBA Assessment at IGRAC

- **ISARM** Regional Activities www.isarm.org
 - cooperation with OAS, SADC, INWEB, UNECE, OSS, GWP-MED, GEF, UNEP, UNDP...
- **UNECE Assessments in Europe and Asia**
- Participation in GEF
 (Global Environment Facility) projects
- Development of a TBA Methodology and a TBA Course, contribution to WWAP, .
- A map Transboundary Aquifers of the World



TBA Assessment Methodology

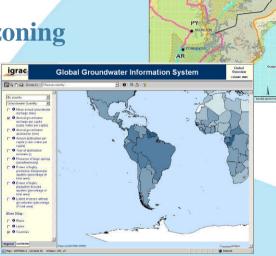
- Hydrogeological Aspect
 - **Delineation and description**
 - Classification, diagnostic analysis and zoning
 - Data harmonisation and information management
- **Environmental issues**
- Socio-economic framework
- **Institutional settings**
- International legal framework











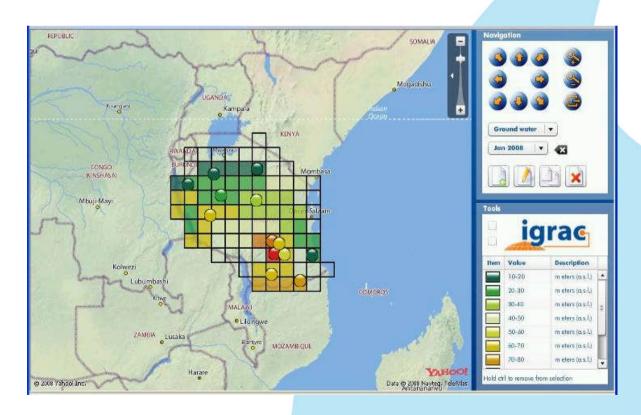
Terrestrial Groundwater Monitoring

- A change of groundwater table is the best indication of the state of a groundwater system.
- In-situ monitoring is necessary for obtaining groundwater level data whereas the hydrogeological knowledge is required for a regional estimation of the change.
- There is clear need for the expansion of groundwater monitoring networks to improve understanding and management of groundwater systems in the changing world.
- IGRAC is setting up a sustainable Global Groundwater Monitoring Network (GGMN) for a periodic assessment of the global change of groundwater resources



Global Groundwater Monitoring Network

GGMN a participative, web-based network of networks, containing measurements and aggregated estimations





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