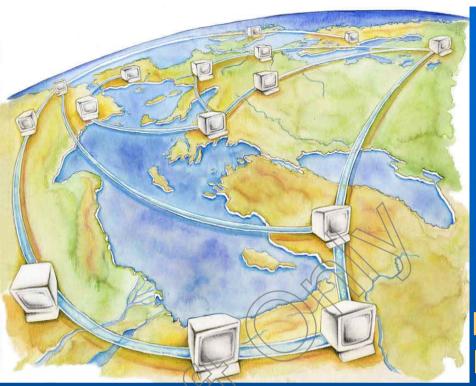


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النظام المعلوماتي الأورومتوسطي للنظام المعرفة في مجال المياه

JP working groups
Status, results, future plans

Jauad El Kharraz, Florence – 02/12/2010

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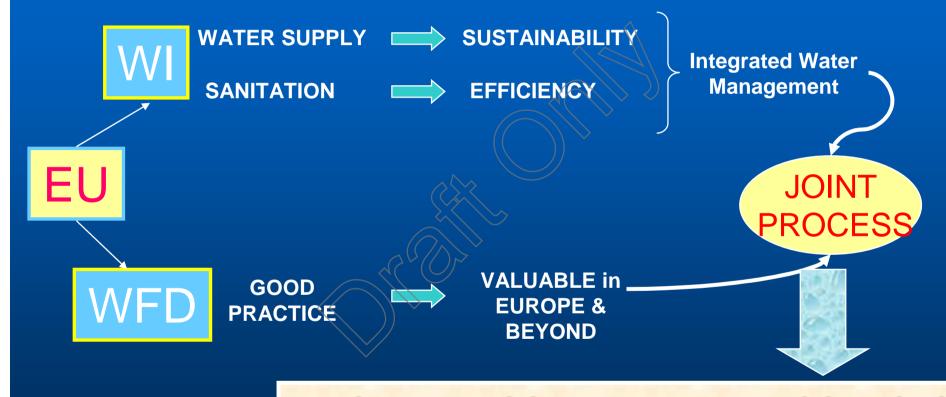
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WHY a WFD/EUWI JOINT PROCESS?



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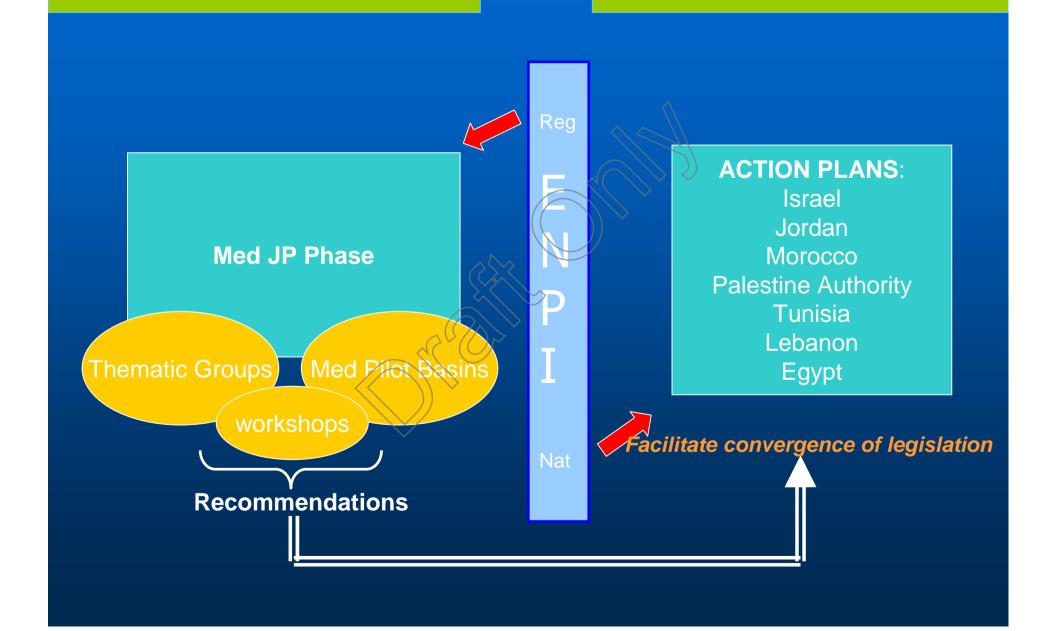
ENVIRONMENT / COOPERATION

- ☐ Sustainable Water services and uses
- □ Ensure high level of protection of water resources
- ☐ share common methods, practices

Consistent & coherent, common, similar but NOT identical standards / legislative frameworks and methodologies

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

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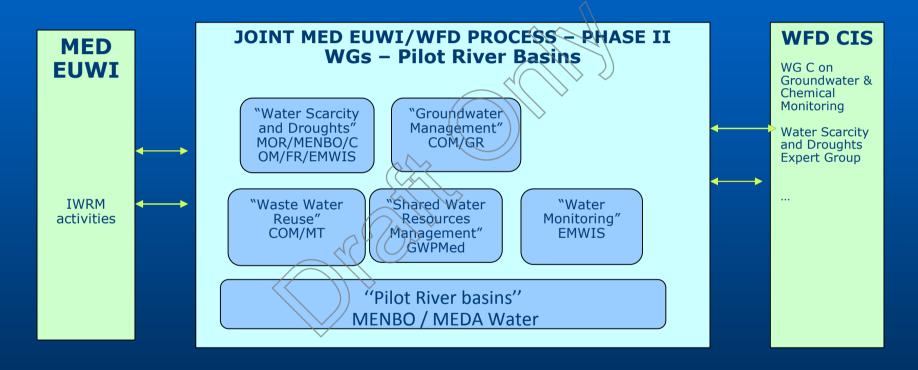
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JOINT PROCESS 2004-2009





<u>See Med JP achievements (2004-2009) at</u> http://www.semide.net/initiatives/medeuwi/JP





Joint Process WGs objectives

- Facilitating the integration of the WFD principles in partner countries' water related policies.
- Producing recommendations for preparing national and local activities for the implementation of sound water policies.
- Joint Process Phase 1 (2004-2006)

WS&D WG set up in Sept'2004 in Brindisi

Draft report (2006)

Joint Process phase 2 (2007-2009)

WS&D → Final Report (June'2008), Synthesis note on key data (End of 2010)

Waste water reuse → Final report (Nov'2007)

<u>WM</u> → Synthesis of the survey (2009), Report (End of 2010)

Joint Process new phase?

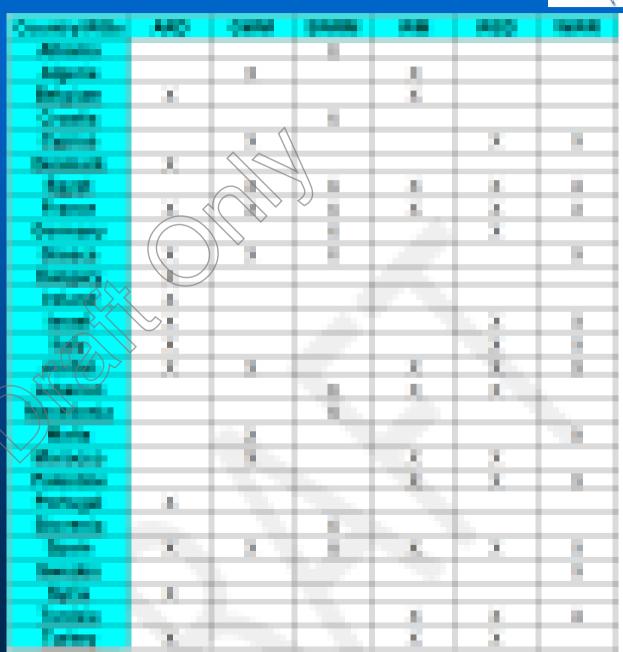
Under discussion



Countries representativeness in the WGs



- ARD: Agricultural and rural management
- GWM: groundwater management
- SWRM: shared water resources management
- WM: water monitoring
- WSD: water scarcity and drought
- WWR: wastewater reuse





Progress achieved by the WGs



ACTIVITIES	WATER SCARCITY & DROUGHT
Drafting of Recommendations / Reports	□Phase I final report: June'08 □A test data collection in 2 pilot river basins (Litani in Lebanon & Sebou in Morocco) using EEA reporting tool on water quantity. □A survey on data availability (based on EEA approach for voluntary reporting on water quantity). □A synthesis note on key data for WS&D in the Mediterranean was prepared.
Development of Electronic Forum / Improve Access on Information	www.emwis.net/topics/WaterScarcity
Meetings / Exchange of Knowledge	Seville, 2007-06-19, during the Int. Drought Forum. Madrid, 2010-02-17 during the Int. WS&D Conference Sophia Antipolis, 2010-09-06/07



Water monitoring WG



- New WG Med JP 2nd phase
 - **☐** 1st meeting, Madrid: 2007-07-03
 - ☐ 2nd meeting, Beirut: 2009-10-06
 - ☐ 3rd meeting, Madrid, 2010-11-10

Mandate (revised)

- Objectives:
 - **□** Exchanges of experiences
 - ☐ Identifying good practices for the improvement of monitoring networks
- Focus on:
 - □ Water quality monitoring
 - **□** Groundwater monitoring
 - □ Monitoring of surface and coastal waters in case it is linked to groundwater management & monitoring





Key subjects proposed

- 1. Reviewing WFD objectives & requirements regarding monitoring & identifying main issues of relevance for MPC;
- 1. <u>Identifying useful experiences from EU-Member States</u> on adjustment & improvement of monitoring systems (technical, organizational, financial aspects);
- 2. Reach a better understanding of the current monitoring networks in MPC (incl. case studies / "good practice") and to identify the main priorities for improvement;
- 1. <u>Create the basis for additional related action in the region:</u>
 - Metadata catalogue of water monitoring information sources





Better understanding of the current monitoring networks in MPC Survey process

- Partnership with Aquapole (BE) for:
 - □ Questionnaire design
 - **□** Analysis of replies
- Replies from all Med Partner Countries
 - □ with NFP: MA, DZ, TN, EG, JO, IL, LB, SY, TR, PS
 - ☐ Self reply: CY
- Synthesis and consolidated replies available on line

http://www.emwis.net/topics/watmon/meeting2010/documents





WM WG Activities: Meetings

- Exchange of experiences
 - ☐ Countries presentations (examples from Jordan, Algeria & Lebanon, as well as EU countries: Austria & Spain)
 - □ Twinning project example
- Finalising the state of play report
 - □ Current situation
 - □ Recommendations
- Preparing pilot projects
 - ☐ To test the recommendations





Strategy for Water in the Mediterranean

- Ensure good quality public water services
 - □ fulfilling public health considerations
 - □ preventing further deterioration of water resources quality among other needs;
- Reduce and prevent water pollution
 - □ expand the scope of water protection
 - avoid overexploitation of water resources,
 - Medium term goal: a good status for all waters based on a comprehensive monitoring system for water quality and quantity, as well as for ecosystems and biodiversity status.
 - □ Control the use of fertilisers and pesticides to appropriate and recommended standards.



Conclusions (1/2)



- Indicators of the main human activities acting as drivers of change need to be obtained to follow the evolution of the sector.
- Experts advice allows calculating transfer functions that can <u>translate drivers into potential</u> <u>impacts</u>.
- Case studies in SP, FR, MA & LB allow to identify a number of concrete recommendations made for the benefit of MPCs.
- It is highly recommended to run single pilot tests in each of the MPCs to provide further info. on the feasibility of national IWRM policies.



Conclusions (2/2)



- Focus on indicators related to monitoring activities (amount of monitoring stations, amount of parameters analyzed...) rather on water status
- The water directors should commit themselves in the provision of common indicators on periodic basis.
- Pilot activities should be carried out in local areas such as governorates or districts covering a specific water body.
- Use the DPSIR approach to undertake such experiments in various countries and then share the resulting experience with other countries through the WG activities and presentation to the Euromed water directors.



Proposal for a new phase



Supporting the preparation of the SWM action plan

- Fostering pilot activities and testing on river basins
- Governance?
 - □ UfM Water Expert Group
 - Extended mandate

Or

- ☐ Euromed water director forum
 - To be relaunched

Med JP WFD / CIS **SWM** National/local Water Flood governance IF FC **IWRM** governance **Shared water** Climate change Adapting to climate resources mgt adaptation change (incl. GWP-Med drought & flood mat) **Water Scarcity** Water Demand mgt Water Scarcity and Droughts Non conventional MA. EC. EMWIS. MENBO and Droughts ES:IT/FR resources Water quality protection/ biodiversity **Waste water Ecological** reuse MT. EC. EMWIS status JRC, DE, UK Water **Monitoring Optimizing water** financing **Economic** Water issues **Economics** Ad hoc activitiy not yet launched



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