



Introduction to IWRM-NET

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Who are we?

IWRM-NET

- is an European network composed of **17 partners** coordinated by the **International Office for Water**
- is an **ERA-NET project** funded under the 6th FPC of the European Commission
- has started in January 2006 for 5 years



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What does IWRM-NET aim to ?

- Develop a trans-national network of research programme managers in the field of Integrated Water Resource Management
- Tackle challenges of Water Framework Directive implementation
- Implement new research programmes in the field of water management to support policy making
- Share experiences in research management

What has been done up to now ?

- Building up the IWRM-NET network open to new partnerships
- Development of IWRM-NET Knowledge Management Tool
- **Preparation of the first IWRM-NET joint call**
 - small scale meetings with researchers, policy-makers, practitioners, NGO to discuss research needs in the core of the WDF implementation



- International workshop held in London (January 2007) to highlight research issues

- Edinburgh workshop (May 2007), two main topics selected:
 - **Hydrological and morphological pressures and impacts on good ecological status**
 - **Water Governance**



2008: Launch of the 1st IWRM-NET research programme

- 8&9 October 2007: Workshop in Vienna
 - final agreement on research issues
 - and principles/mechanism of the call
- Beginning of 2008: launch of the call
- June 2008: selection of research projects to be financed by IWRM-NET
- Beginning of the research for an approximate duration of 24 months



***Thank you for your
attention***

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