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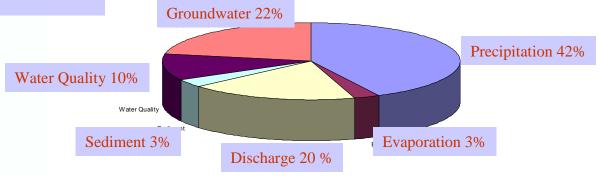
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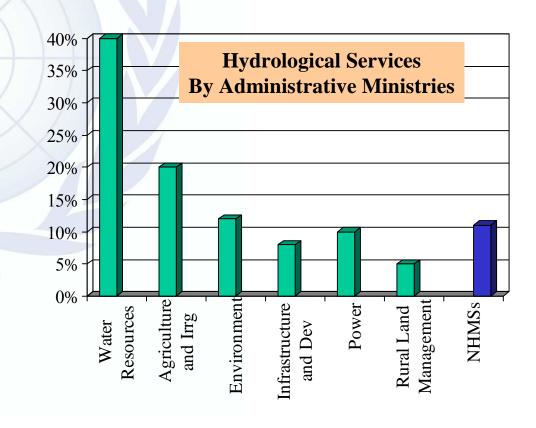


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An agency or a group of agencies, which collect, process and disseminate hydrological related data, products and information

Hydrological Networks





OBJECTIVES

Sustainable Development



Prevention of water Related Disasters

HWRP

Forecasting and Applications

Environmental

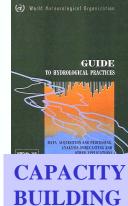
Management





Sustainable Development





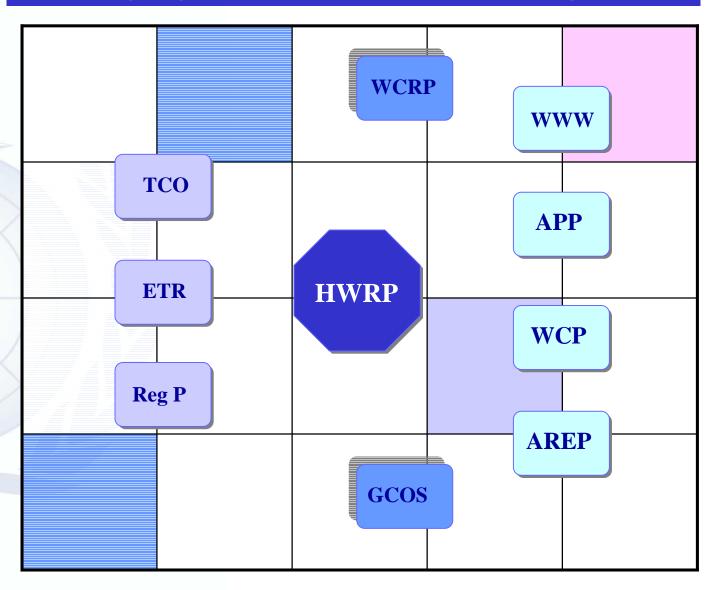
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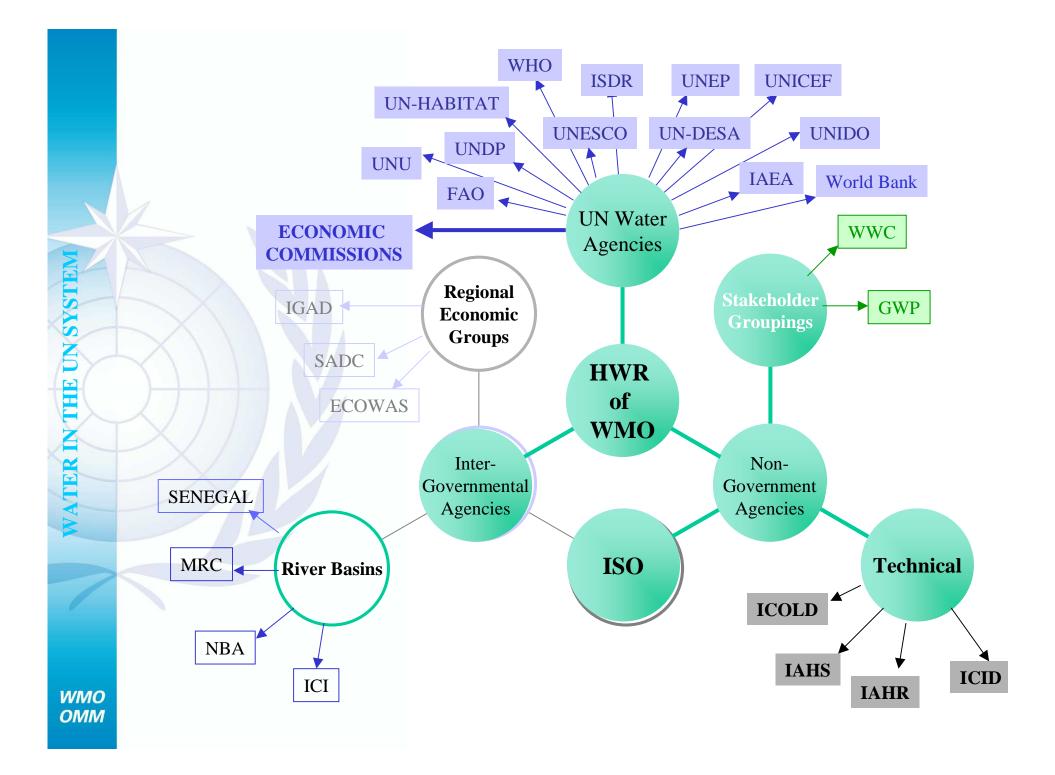
Water for Life

Water for People

PROGRAMS

Working togather with other WMO Programmes





WHYCOS

World

Hydrological

Observing

System

Projects completed

Med-HYCOS (2001)

SADC-HYCOS (2001)

AOC-HYCOS (2002)

Niger-HYCOS Volta-HYCOS **SADC Phase II**

IGAD-HYCOS Mekong-HYCOS **HKH-HYCOS**

HOMS

The WMO System for Technology Transfer In Hydrology

Components

Hydrological

Operational

Multipurpose

Instrumentation
Data base Management
Computational Models
Standards

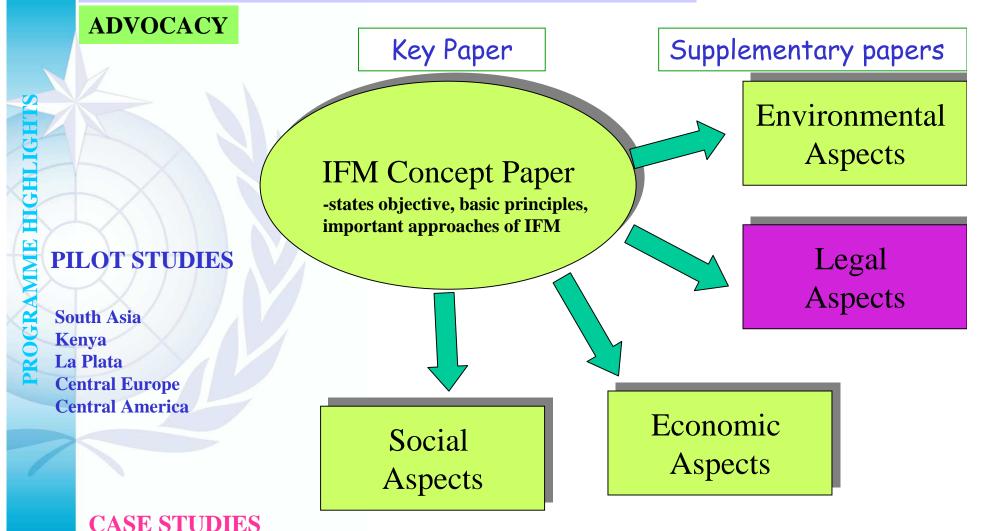
Training Activities





Associated Program on Flood Management Integrated Flood Management

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COMMUNICATION GAP

Between meteorological and hydrological services

Meteorological information and forecasts are often not provided in a form usable for hydrological forecasting,

Non-standardized data archiving, data formats and transmission protocols severely limit timely access to data and information,

Use of different forecasting concepts, methods and technical language,

Between forecasters and forecast users

Forecasting is often not objective-driven; different users of forecasting information require specific forecasting products,

Use technical vocabulary in forecast and warning dissemination

The Flood Forecasting Initiative

Improve the capacity of meteorological and hydrological services to jointly deliver timely and more accurate products and services required in flood forecasting and warning and in collaborating with disaster managers.

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Outreach process (1)....

Formulation of guiding materials for the improved cooperation between meteorological hydrological services and regional bodies and organizations. Guidelines could contain recommendations on the institutionalization of joint activities, harmonization and standardization of communication protocols and data formats, choices in processing procedures, modelling and interpretation of results, dealing with probability and uncertainty in forecasting, development of joint forecasting products.



Outreach Process (2)...

Pilot projects with a high visibility to demonstrate the value of cooperation between meteorological and hydrological services and the use of advanced meteorological forecasting and prediction outputs including the use of NWP and ensemble forecasting where appropriate.

Fostering twinning agreements between NMHSs with the objective of sharing know how and technology in improved cooperation and the development and use of advanced forecasting products and their dissemination is a promising option in many parts of the world.

