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# History

1947 – Foundation of Hydrometeorological Institute in former Yugoslavia

1951 – first agrometeorological measurements

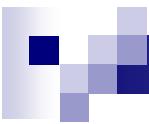
1975 – foundation of the Sector for water and air quality

1997 – starting the works on automatization of meteorological measurements

2001 – starting of operative work of numerical meteorological model

2005 – starting of automatization of hydrological measurements


2007 – Montenegro becomes WMO member

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- ❖ HMI is a government body, under the competence of the Ministry of Sustainable Environment and Tourism
  - ❖ HMI is funded by State budget (supervised by the Ministry of Finance)

*Work of Hydrometeorological Institute  
is organized through:*

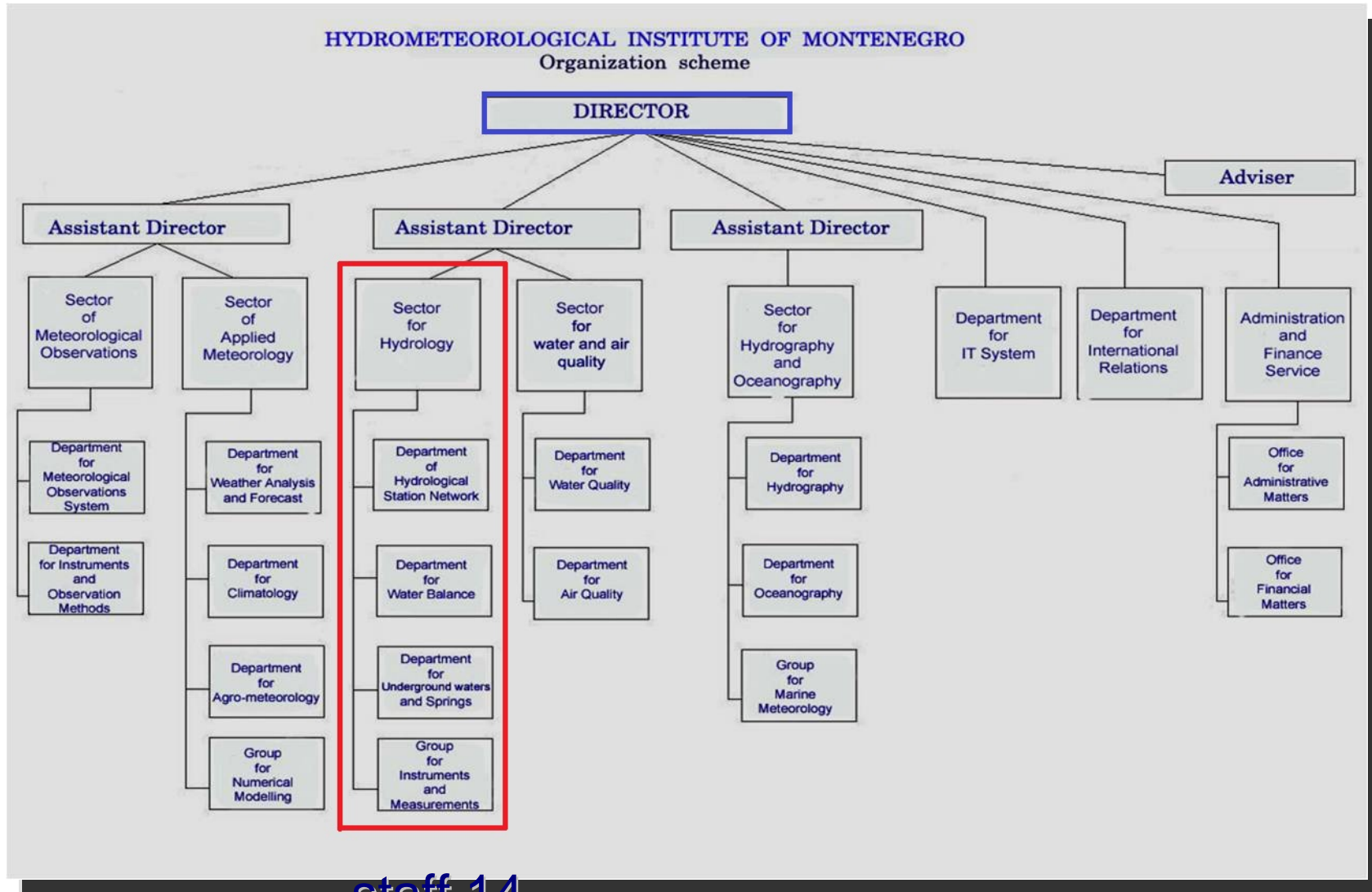
- ❖ Law on hydrometeorological services
- ❖ Law on hydrographic services

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- HMI is organized for following the state of the atmosphere and hydrosphere in global
  - Users of our products and data are numerous:
    - Ministry of Environment protection and Tourism
    - Ministry of Rural development and Water management
    - Ministry of Economy
    - Ministry of Interior affairs
    - Agency for Environment protection
    - Public Enterprises
    - Media
    - University / students
    - Insurance companies
    - Individuals etc.



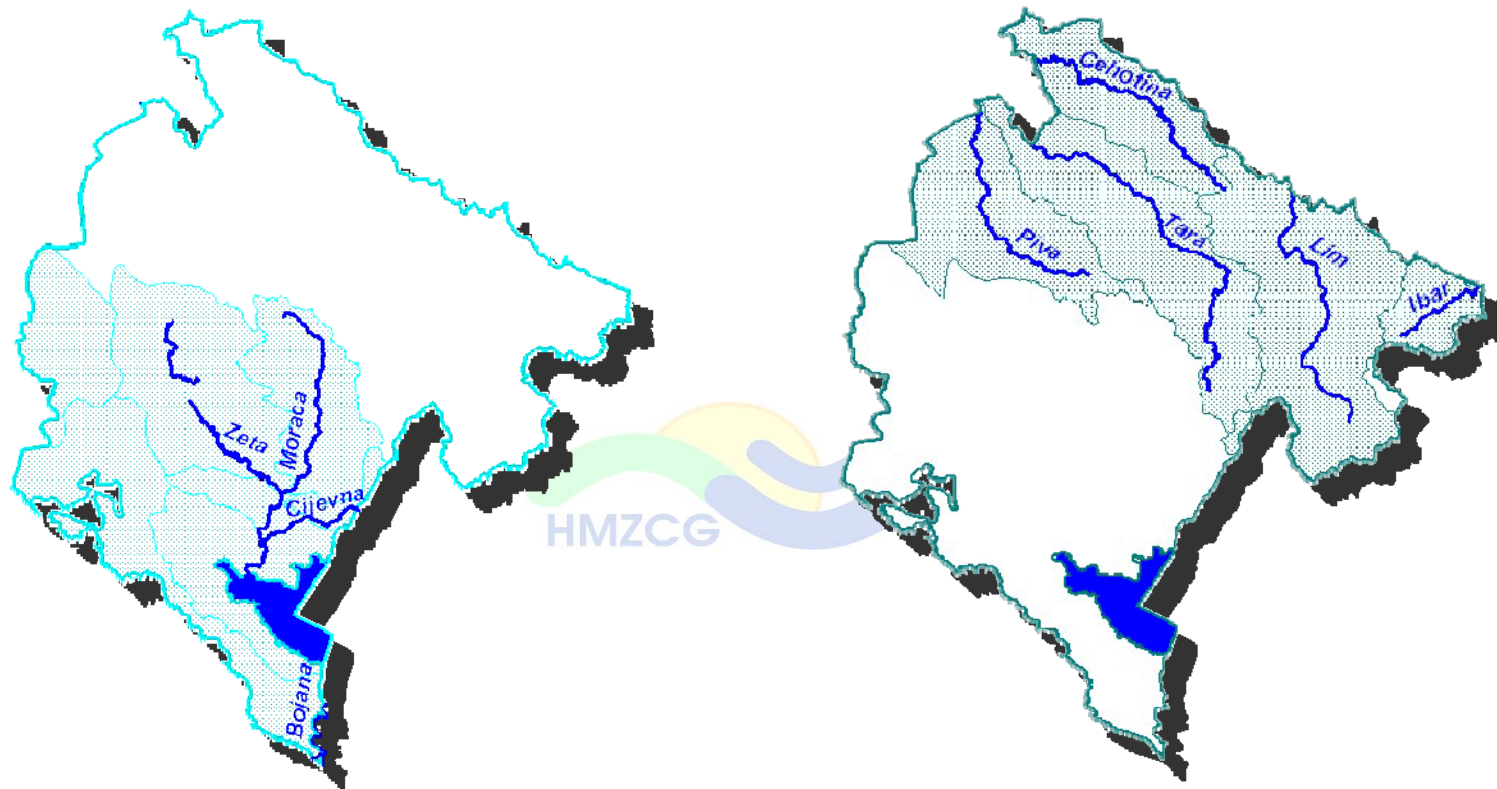
# Institute structure



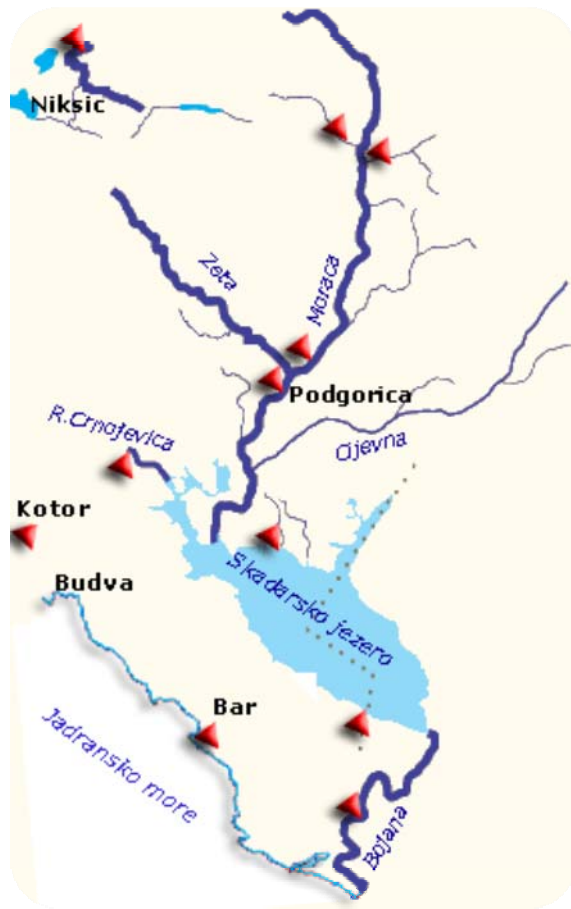
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- ❖ Waters from Montenegro territory flow into two basins:

*Adriatic sea (45.4%) and Black sea (54.6%)*



- ❖ Total number of present hydrological station is 35, from which 23 are automatized with on-line data on HMI web site, and we are planning to complete Master plan with 51 hydrological stations.





## *Biggest successes*

- ❖ Successful projects implementation (project with NVE, DRR project, DMCSEE, Nautical Tourism.....)
- ❖ Organization of the new Sector of hydrography and oceanography within the Institute (2008)
- ❖ Approaching to EMI structures through DRR project
- ❖ On time announcement to the public of extreme weather situations in 2009 and 2010 causing floods and in 2011 extreme snowfalls, which caused a collapse in almost whole country



# Floods 2009/2010 causing huge material losses



# Snow in 2011 causing collapse in the country





*Happy because of .....*

- ❖ Good cooperation among different Sectors in the Institute
- ❖ Very good and pleasant working atmosphere
- ❖ Very good cooperation and exchange of experiences on international level



## *Biggest failures*

- ❖ Decrease of the number of meteorological stations ( till 2010 number of precipitation station was 60, today is just 30)
- ❖ Inability of station maintenance
- ❖ Inability of purchasing spare parts for stations
- ❖ Lack of trained personal for hydrometric measurements and station maintenance
- ❖ Inability of realization of Master plan of hydrological stations



## Unhappy because of.....

- ❖ Inability of realization of planned activities, due to lack of funds
- ❖ Disproportion of current possibilities and huge number of users requests
- ❖ Destruction of hydrological stations
- ❖ Limited possibility of measurements of high waters on torrent water currents (as are almost all Montenegrin rivers)

# Expectations.....

## National level

- ❖ Finalization of the Master plan of hydrological station network
- ❖ Providing conditions for discharge measurements among whole amplitude of water levels

## International level

- Possible engagement of WMO experts in raising awareness on importance of hydro-meteorological data and information
- ❖ Organization of (regional) trainings for meteorological and hydrological technicians



# Destroyed hydrological stations









# New stations obtained through projects







*Thank you  
for your attention !!!*

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