

Biggest successes

- Modernization of monitoring networks
- Integration of monitoring networks / mobile stations
- Flood forecasting and warning systems
- Development of operational forecasting systems
- Information management
- Data service by Internet
- Other new data systems
- MET-HYD data exchange / ground station and radar data
- Science applications (e.g. for climate change adaptation)
- Successful reorganizations
- Improved national coordination
- New improved working cultures
- Stronger administrative status
- Improved services and collaboration

Biggest failures

- Financial problems (reductions of staff and operational budgets, many other consequences)
- Small investments to technology development (measurement, modeling, forecasting, data systems)
- Poor development of web data services
- Reduced monitoring networks
- Poor representativity of monitoring systems
- Reduced resources for quality control
- Reduced resources for technical support and services
- Loss of know-how
- No hydrological science development
- Demanding management of several ongoing developments
- Lack of international data exchange
- Difficulties in developing integrated systems
- Lack of political support

Expectations

- National level

- Technology development – several objectives / often as projects
- New service applications
- Capacity development / political support
- Monitoring systems optimization
- Collaboration (MET-HYD, HYD-ENV, ...)
- Client interface, access to data

- International level

- Strategic collaboration within WMO and international organizations
- Support to development projects (RA VI region, other scales)
- International data exchange, open data policy
- Cross-boarder / international basins operational collaboration
- Experience exchange – new methods, best practices, ...
- Standardization and simplification of reporting
- Consultation for EU directives
- Legal Pan-European framework for hydrological services?
- Regional/global hydrological information systems

OUR MAIN CHALLENGE?

The water sector is fragmented - no general concept for hydrological service at national level



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