

EUROPE-INBO 2015 Roundtable 4

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Main outcomes and recommendations

GENERAL CONCLUSION: to face the challenges of proximity & territorial approaches related to the WFD implementation, the raising issues are how to tackle governance, efficiency, public representation

Lessons learnt

- Involvement of stakeholders, public and local communities in water management project is crucial
- A full set of different approaches do exist within MS
 - Institutional (national strategy: project planning, cooperation agreement, citizens process, etc. at catchment level)
 - Sectorial projects, to feed the PoM
 - European projects (funding local initiatives)
- Top down and bottom up approaches should be combined to support the dialogue at the local scale (via the monitoring for example)

Main outcomes and recommendations

Feedbacks from experiences

- Sectorial actors (energy, dams, municipal water operators, association of water suppliers) are involved into the participatory process and inform the civil society through their sectorial water plan and related actions

Take away messages

- The territorial approach should be trans-sectorial and multi actors embedded: all stakeholders (incl. NGOs) should be represented –to take into account their knowledge and expertise
- A transnational network of local approaches initiatives (territorial coordinators/local water bodies) could provide an appropriate platform to exchange experiences and good practices
- Ensure active participation of all stakeholders from the beginning of the process, for a better appropriation of the measures
- Promote, encourage the basin organisations and decision-makers to develop local approaches that lay out the objectives of water management for the sub-basin

In conlusion

All the inititiatives have a common aspect: 3E

- Envisionning : share objectives,
- Empower : join the decision making
- Engage everybody on the processus of territorial approaches