



# PREPARED Risk identification and risk reduction databases

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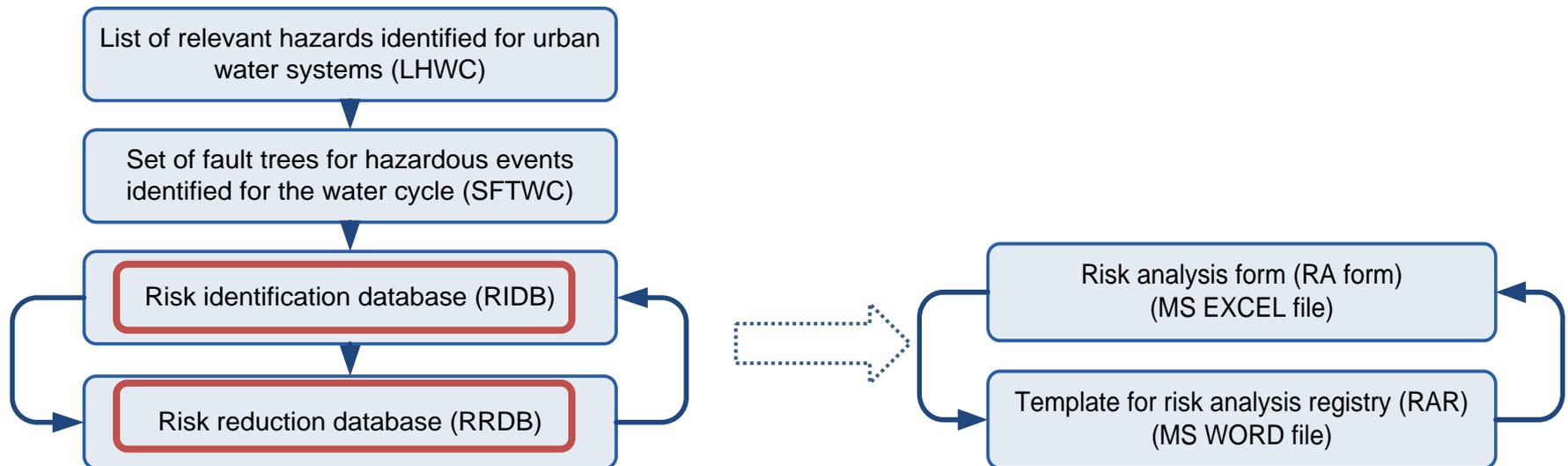
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# 1 | Introduction

## Application of WCSP framework can be facilitated by

- Setting general and common aspects in a systematic way
- Providing resources to guide and avoid repeated tasks
- PREPARED project tools and resources for WCSP

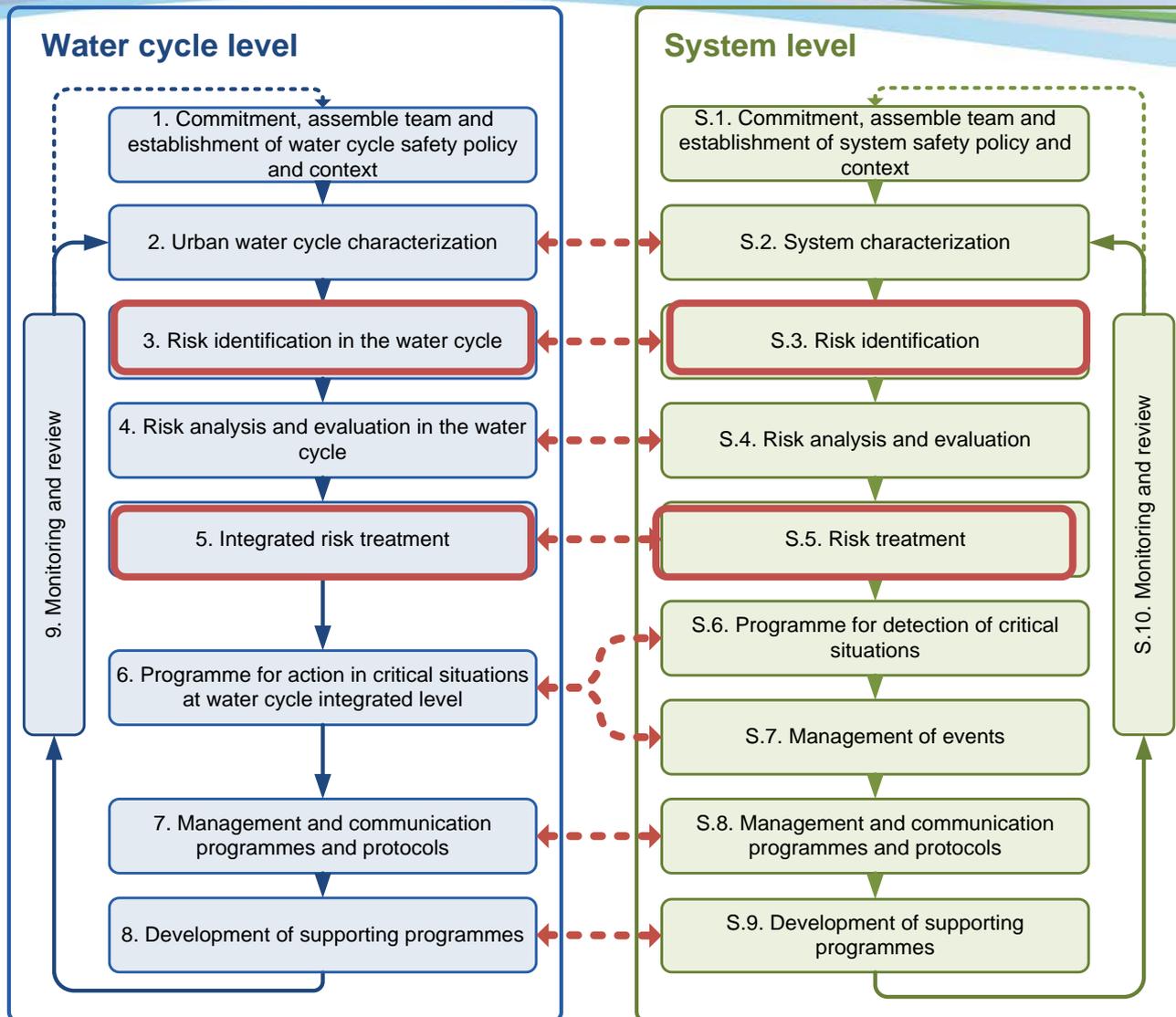


*Tools developed to support the application of the WCSP framework*

*Form and template to support the application of the WCSP framework*

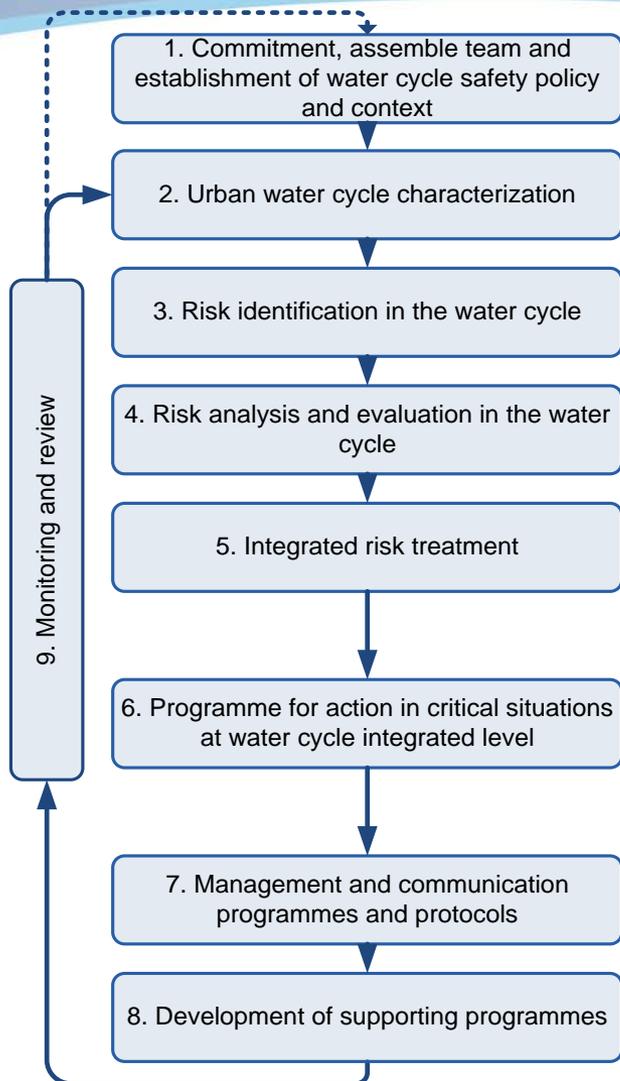


# 2 | Risk identification and risk reduction steps in WCSP





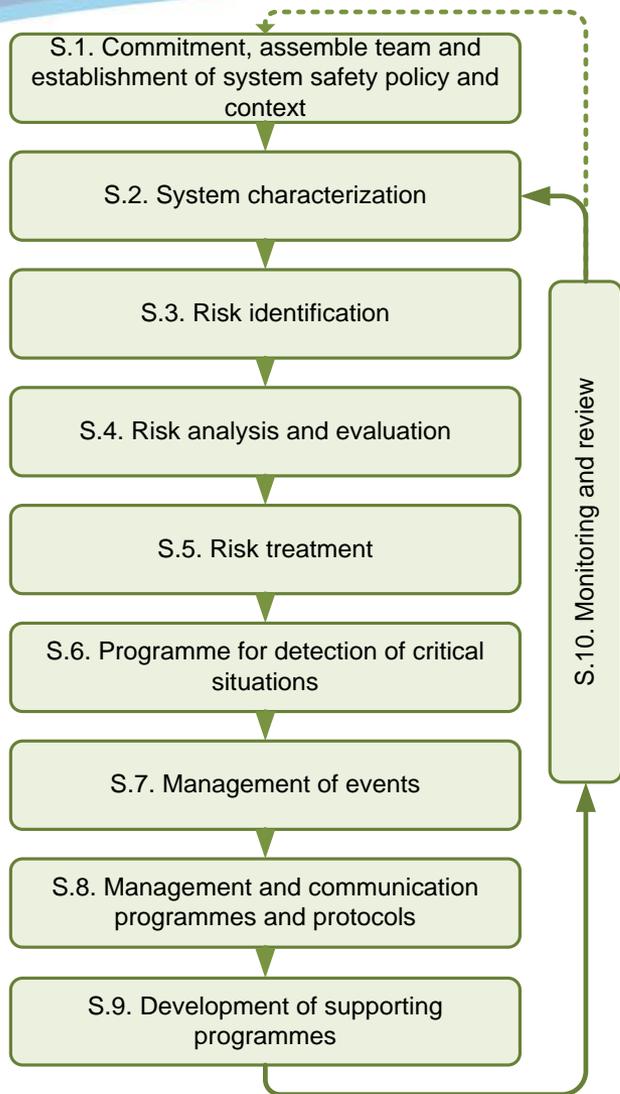
# 2 | Risk identification and risk reduction steps in WCSP



| Step | Key actions  |
|------|--|
| 1.   | ▶ Identify stakeholders, assemble team and ensure commitment   |
|      | ▶ Establish the water cycle safety policy  |
|      | ▶ Establish the context  |
| 2.   | ▶ Identify and describe water cycle components and interactions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Construct a water cycle flow diagram</li> <li>– Describe the urban water systems</li> </ul> |
|      | ▶ Identify criteria and targets for products and services  |
| 3.   | ▶ <b>Identify relevant hazards, risk sources and risk factors</b>  |
|      | ▶ <b>Assess the potential effect of climate change trends</b>  |
|      | ▶ <b>Explore scenarios and potential events</b>  |
| 4.   | ▶ Assess the likelihood and consequences for each event  |
|      | ▶ Estimate the level of risk for each event  |
|      | ▶ Evaluate risk for each event   |
|      | ▶ Compare and reassess estimated risks   |
| 5.   | ▶ <b>Identify risk reduction measures</b>  |
|      | ▶ <b>Assess alternatives, prioritize and select risk reduction measures</b>  |
|      | ▶ <b>Assess residual risk</b>  |
|      | ▶ <b>Develop a risk treatment programme</b>  |



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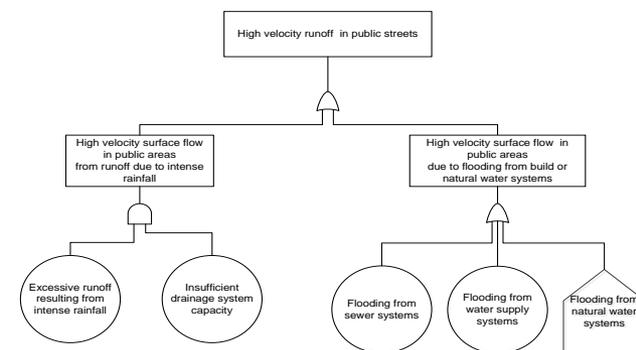


| Step | Key actions   |
|------|---|
| S.1. | ▶ Identify necessary qualifications and expertise of team members and assemble team   |
|      | ▶ Establish the organisation safety policy  |
|      | ▶ <b>Secure management commitment and financial support</b>   |
|      | ▶ <b>Define roles and responsibilities of team members</b>  |
|      | ▶ Appoint a team coordinator  |
| S.2. | ▶ Establish the context   |
|      | ▶ <b>Identify and describe system components and interactions</b>   |
|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Construct a system flow diagram</b></li> <li>- <b>Describe the system and its subsystems</b></li> </ul>   |
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## Scope of the RIDB

- Checklist to help the comprehensive identification of risks in each specific application (integrated or system level)
- Events listed in the database allow:
  - identification of relevant events by the users
  - starting risk identification in a systematic way
  - concentrate in application to local conditions and evaluation of areas where events are somehow likely to happen
- Database attributes allows identification of factors influencing the likelihood and consequences of event that can be relevant locally
- Set of fault trees facilitate the use of the RIDB







# 3 | Tool to support risk identification: the RIDB



## Structure of the RIDB: Attributes

| Group                    | Attribute                                 | Description  |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Event description</b> | Event ID                                  | Unique identification reference for the event  |
|                          | Description                               | Description of the event in a structured and concise way with what occurs in the event   |
|                          | Hazard                                    | Hazard associated with the event as in a predefined list   |
|                          | System/Subsystem where risk source occurs | Upper boundary of the event considering the systems and subsystems of the water cycle  |
|                          | System/Subsystem where exposure occurs    | Location where exposure of people or environment occurs within the event considering the systems and subsystems of the water cycle |
|                          | Consequence dimensions                    | Type of consequences expected from the event   |
|                          | Climate change indicators                 | Climate change indicator and indication of the impact in the event using pre defined scale   |
|                          | Climate change effects                    | Climate change effect and indication of the impact in the event using pre defined scale  |
|                          | Climatic region                           | Regions where CC effects are expected  |



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## Structure of the RIDB: Attributes

| Group                                   | Attribute                          | Description   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Risk sources</b>                     | Event ID                           | Unique identification reference for the event   |
|   | Risk source main category          | Main risk source category for the event (predefined)  |
|   | Risk source secondary category     | Secondary risk source category for the event (predefined)   |
|   | Risk source description            | Specification of the risk source  |
| <b>Contributing causes</b>              | Event ID                           | Unique identification reference for the event   |
|   | Contributing cause main category   | Main category of contributing cause (predefined)  |
|   | Contributing cause second category | Secondary contributing cause category (predefined)  |
|   | Contributing cause description     | Specification of the contributing cause   |
| <b>Relation with RRDB</b>               | Event ID                           | Unique identification reference for the event   |
|   | Risk factors                       | Risk factors typically associated with the event (predefined)   |
|   | Event ID                           | Unique identification reference for the event   |
|   | Measure ID                         | Measures typically already in place, relevant for event risk level. Set of measures applying for each event, measure ID as in RRM Catalogue |
| <b>Existing measures to reduce risk</b> | Measure description                | Description as in RRM Catalogue   |

### Relation with RRDB

Existing measures to reduce risk



# 3 | Tool to support risk identification: the RIDB



## Predefinition of attributes

- Normalization of approaches
  - Similar problems, aims and objectives of water utilities
  - Facilitates benchmarking
  - Easier to implement tools
- Example of hazards

|                                | Primary aim of WCSP  | Exposure mode  | Hazards  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. Protection of public health |  | Tap water: consumption (ingestion)   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in tap water</li> <li>▪ Presence of cyanotoxins in tap water</li> <li>▪ Presence of chemical contaminants in tap water</li> <li>▪ Presence of radiological contaminants in tap water</li> <li>▪ Extended periods without supply</li> </ul>  |
|                                |  | Tap water: personal hygiene and other uses (accidental ingestion, inhalation, skin contact)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in tap water</li> <li>▪ Presence of cyanotoxins in tap water</li> <li>▪ Presence of radiological contaminants in tap water</li> </ul>   |
|                                |  | Recreational or non-recreational: immersion (accidental ingestion, inhalation, skin contact) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in water bodies used for recreational activities</li> <li>▪ Presence of cyanobacteria and cyanotoxins in water bodies used for recreational activities</li> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in flood water</li> <li>▪ Presence of toxic chemicals in water bodies used for recreational activities</li> </ul>   |
|                                |  | Recreational or non-recreational: non-immersion  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in water bodies used for recreational activities</li> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in flood water</li> <li>▪ Presence of microbial pathogens in water used for irrigation</li> <li>▪ Presence of toxic gases in the atmosphere of locations where public or workers might have access to</li> <li>▪ Presence of toxic chemicals in locations where public or workers might have access to</li> </ul> |
| 2. Public safety               | Socio-economic activities: public areas or private properties (injuries) |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Infrastructure collapses or bursts potentially causing injuries to public</li> <li>▪ High velocity runoff in public streets</li> </ul>  |
| 3. Environment                 | Not detailed   |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Discharge of organics in the water cycle or soil</li> <li>▪ Discharge of nutrients (P/N) in the water cycle</li> <li>▪ Discharge of heavy metals and other chemicals in the water cycle or soil</li> <li>▪ Contamination of ground water by salt water intrusion</li> <li>▪ Water scarcity affecting ecosystems</li> </ul>  |



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| Category                            | Risk factor                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Human factors                       | Human reliability                                 |
|                                     | Exposure time                                     |
|                                     | Physical vulnerability                            |
|                                     | Social vulnerability                              |
|                                     | Behavioural factors                               |
| ...                                 |   |
| Environmental factors               | Temperature                                       |
|                                     | Precipitation intensity                           |
|                                     | Wind intensity                                    |
|                                     | Contaminant concentration                         |
|                                     | Nutrient concentration                            |
|                                     | Receiving water level                             |
| ...                                 |   |
| Equipment or infrastructure factors | Infrastructure condition                          |
|                                     | Equipment malfunction (measurement and control)   |
|                                     | Equipment design                                  |
|                                     | Equipment safety features                         |
|                                     | Infrastructure design, construction and operation |
|                                     | Lack of detection systems                         |
|                                     | Existing barriers                                 |
|                                     | Equipment failure                                 |
|                                     | Component location                                |
|                                     | Power supply reliability                          |
| ...                                 |   |



## Scope of the RRDB

- Tool to support the risk treatment at integrated and at system level within the WCSP
- Identification and selection of appropriate risk reduction measures (RRM)
- Gives a first idea of potential for risk reduction

The screenshot displays a complex spreadsheet interface for the RRDB tool. The table is organized into several main sections:
 

- Identification:** Columns for 'Risk ID', 'Risk Name', 'Risk Description', 'Risk Category', and 'Risk Level'.
- Assessment:** Columns for 'Impact', 'Likelihood', 'Severity', and 'Priority'.
- Treatment Measures:** Columns for 'RRM ID', 'RRM Name', 'RRM Description', 'RRM Category', and 'RRM Status'.
- Implementation:** Columns for 'Start Date', 'End Date', 'Responsible Party', and 'Progress'.
- Monitoring & Evaluation:** Columns for 'Indicator', 'Target', 'Actual Value', and 'Frequency'.

 The interface includes various filters, sorting options, and a search bar at the top. The data rows are color-coded, with some rows highlighted in orange and others in green.



# 4 | Tool to support risk treatment: RRDB

## RRDB

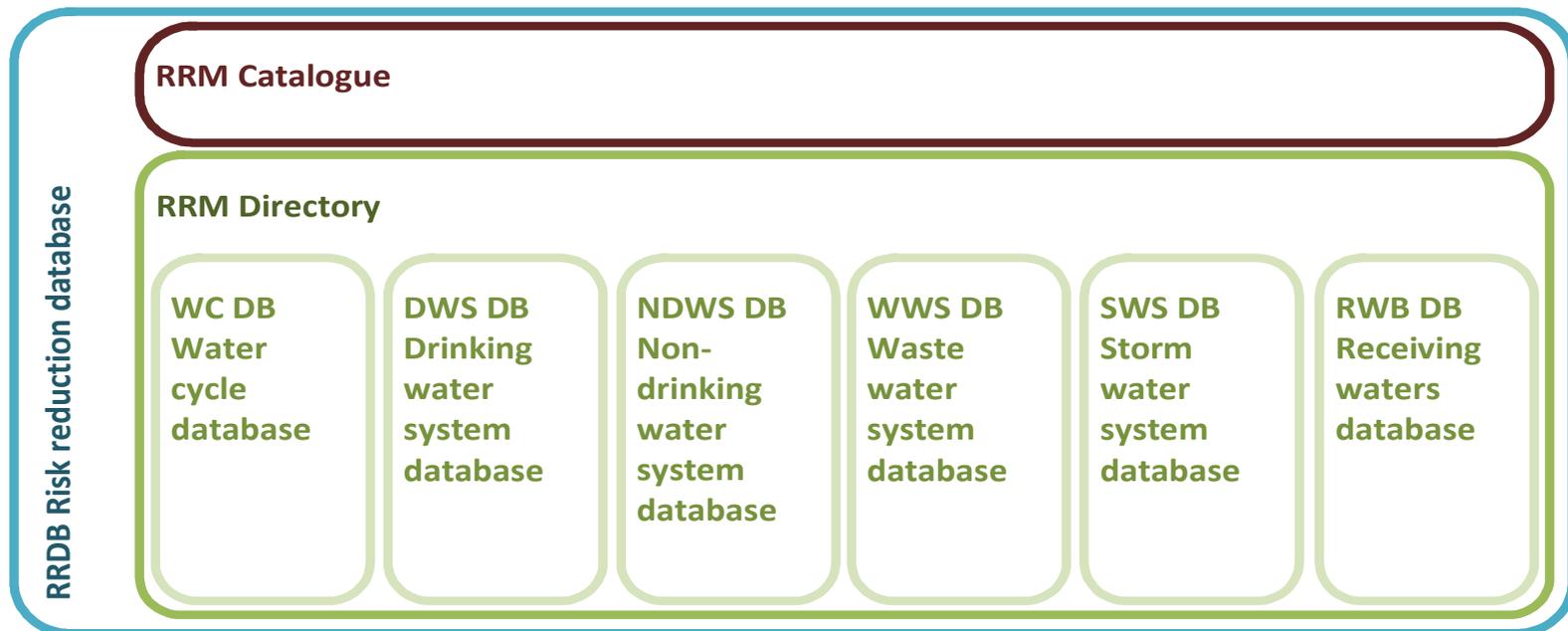
- The RRDB consists of different excel sheets which are all ready available
- Around **180** measures included
- Supporting document to explain the scope, structure and use of the RRDB in detail available





## Structure of the RRDB

- RRM catalogue: comprehensive list of measures
- RRM directory: consists of six sub-databases with condensed sets of measures for the integrated level and the 5 water systems





# 4 | Tool to support risk treatment: RRDB



## Content of the RRM catalogue

- RRM catalogue includes 4 groups of attributes to give information about each **measure**
- Those parts are:
  1. Characterization and applicability
  2. Potential for risk reduction
  3. Implementation strategy
  4. Analysis of viability

|            | A           | B               | C     | D CHARACTERISATION AND APPLICABILITY |            |           |                           |            |             |                      |                       |                     |            | P POTENTIAL FOR RISK REDUCTION |         |                  | S IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY |                               |                                 |                                 |   |  |   |                                | AA ANALYSIS OF VIABILITY          |       |      |                         |                      |                         |                   |  |  |  |  |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
|            |             |                 |       | Application level                    |            |           | Type of problem addressed |            |             |                      |                       |                     |            |                                |         |                  | ACTIONS                   |                               |                                 |                                 |   |  |   |                                | Economic viability                |       |      |                         |                      |                         |                   |  |  |  |  |
| Measure ID | Description | Type of measure | Level | System                               | Sub-system | Hydraulic | Environmental             | Structural | Operational | Water supply quality | Water supply scarcity | Performance metrics | Advantages | Disadvantages                  | RR type | RR effectiveness | RR cost efficiency        | Design and construction (D&C) | Operation and maintenance (O&M) | Information and education (I&E) | Documentation, training and technical support | Regulation, standardisation and legislation (RS&L) | Economic and financial incentives (E&F) | Research and development (R&D) | Social support to the populations | CAPEX | OPEX | Technological viability | Functional viability | Environmental viability | Social acceptance |  |  |  |  |
| 1          |             |                 |       |                                      |            |           |                           |            |             |                      |                       |                     |            |                                |         |                  |                           |                               |                                 |                                 |   |  |   |                                |                                   |       |      |                         |                      |                         |                   |  |  |  |  |
| 2          |             |                 |       |                                      |            |           |                           |            |             |                      |                       |                     |            |                                |         |                  |                           |                               |                                 |                                 |   |  |   |                                |                                   |       |      |                         |                      |                         |                   |  |  |  |  |
| 3          |             |                 |       |                                      |            |           |                           |            |             |                      |                       |                     |            |                                |         |                  |                           |                               |                                 |                                 |   |  |   |                                |                                   |       |      |                         |                      |                         |                   |  |  |  |  |



## Content of the RRM catalogue: attributes of RRM table

| Group                                     | Attribute               | Description  |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| <b>Characterisation and applicability</b> | Measure ID              | Unique identification reference for the measure                          |
|   | Description             | Summary description of the measure                                       |
|   | Type of measure         | Type of measure to reduce risk   |
|   | Primary aims            | Contribution to primary aims of WCSP                                     |
|   | Application level       | Subdivided: level of analysis, system and subsystem when applicable      |
|   | Technical problem       | Type of technical problem addressed (six possibilities can apply)        |
|   | Performance metrics     | Indicators or indexes for performance assessment (detailed in PI table)  |
|   | Advantages              | Main advantages  |
| <b>Potential for risk reduction</b>       | Disadvantages           | Main disadvantages   |
|   | RRM type                | Type of risk reduction potentially achieved with the measure             |
|   | RR effectiveness        | Risk reduction effectiveness   |
| <b>Implementation strategy</b>            | RR cost efficiency      | Overall risk reduction cost efficiency                                   |
|   | Actions                 | Actions to consider for implementation of measure (six types of actions) |
| <b>Analysis of viability</b>              | Economic viability      | Relative magnitude of CAPEX and OPEX                                     |
|   | Technologic viability   | Availability of technology   |
|   | Functional viability    | Added requirements in operation and maintenance, ease of use             |
|   | Environmental viability | Balance between environmental benefits and negative impacts              |
|   | Social acceptance       | Evaluation of expected social acceptance                                 |



## Content of the RRM directories

- 6 RRM directories relate the possible events (from RIDB) with the set of measures that can be considered for risk treatment step.
- Each directory is divided per subsystems having 2 sheets per subsystem:

### 1. RRM for each event

| Attribute                                     | Description   |
|---|---|
| Object of analysis                            | Indication, as appropriate, of system, subsystem or component   |
| Event ID                                      | Event identification number as in RIDB  |
| Event description                             | Event description as in RIDB  |
| Measure ID                                    | Measure ID as in RRM Catalogue  |
| Measure description                           | Measure description as in RRM Catalogue   |
| Typical priority                              | Implementation priority for the measure applied to that event in a typical situation  |
| Potential reduction in consequence dimensions | Typical reduction in consequences associated with the event expected when implementing this measure. Expression in the dimensions of health and safety, financial, environmental impacts, functional, service and business continuity, reputation and image or project development. |

Example: Wastewater subsystems

| Wastewater system DB | Wastewater subsystems         |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|                      | Wastewater collection network |
|                      | Interceptor system            |
|                      | Wastewater treatment          |
|                      | Combined sewer overflows      |
|                      | Pumping stations              |
|                      | Storage structures            |
|                      | Infiltration systems          |
|                      | Outfalls                      |

### 2. Recommended action for each event





# 5 | Examples

## From RIDB: RRM

| Event ID | Measure ID | Measure short description  | Measure description | Actions  | Measure status |
|----------|------------|--|---------------------|--|----------------|
| E1703.00 | M030       | Construction of wastewater treatment plant or upgrade existing one (optimization of operating conditions or construction of additional treatment units) to prevent untreated urban wastewater discharges to water bodies |                     | Plant with wet weather treatment line (2x Dry Weather peak flow) | Implemented    |
| E1703.00 | M155       | Treatment of CSO, including physico-chemical processes (e.g. conventional tanks allowing settling of solids, vortex separators, screens) and hydraulic performance   |                     | Advanced primary treatment line for excess water during rainfall | Implemented    |
| E1703.00 | M156       | Real time control system to improved regulation and usage of available system capacities (storage, transport and treatment)  |                     |  | Implemented    |
| E1703.00 | M133       | Construction of green roofs  |                     |  | Implemented    |
| E1703.00 | M137       | Inline/offline storage within the drainage network, such as oversized pipes, deep shafts, attenuation tanks, geocellular systems   |                     |  | Not planned    |



# 5 | Examples

## From RIDB: Risk sources, contributing causes, risk factors

| Event ID | Risk source main category | Risk source second category (when applicable) | Risk source description |
|----------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| E1706.00 | External                  | Occurrence of abnormal meteorologic phenomena | High intensity rainfall |
| E1705.05 | External                  | Occurrence of abnormal meteorologic phenomena | High intensity rainfall |
| E1705.06 | External                  | Occurrence of abnormal meteorologic phenomena | High intensity rainfall |
| E1705.11 | External                  | Occurrence of abnormal meteorologic phenomena | High intensity rainfall |
| E1705.12 | External                  | Occurrence of abnormal meteorologic phenomena | High intensity rainfall |

| Event ID | Contributing cause main category               | Contributing cause second category              | Contributing cause description                      |
|----------|--|---|---|
| E1707.00 | Operation and maintenance related              | Failure in wastewater treatment plant           | Failure due to excessive flow (over plant capacity) |
| E1707.00 | Operation and maintenance related              | Equipment failure                               | Plant mechanical overload                           |
| E1707.00 | System components degradation related          | Sediments deposit                               | Excessive debris transport due to rain              |
| E1707.00 | Related with water systems functional problems | Flooding from combined sewer systems            | Combined sewer systems                              |
| E1706.00 | Design related                                 | Other design related causes                     | Failure due to excessive flow (over plant capacity) |
| E1706.00 | Operation and maintenance related              | Inappropriate procedures or methods of cleaning | Potential insufficient debris cleaning              |
| E1706.00 | Operation and maintenance related              | Inappropriate valve manoeuvre                   | Potential valve failure due to excessive manoeuvres |
| E1706.00 | Operation and maintenance related              | Failure in wastewater treatment plant           | Failure due to excessive flow (over plant capacity) |

| Event ID | Risk factor                  | Risk factor description           |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| E0506    | Human physical vulnerability | Sensitive consumers               |
| E0506    | Precipitation intensity      | Decrease of precipitation/drought |
| E0507    | Human physical vulnerability | Sensitive consumers               |
| E0507    | Human physical vulnerability | High intensity precipitation      |



## 6 | Final remarks

- Both databases were developed, tested and complemented in PREPARED, during demonstration activities of the WCSP framework
- In both cases, a form or registry should be used for each specific case, to record the application to the situation under analysis.
- The databases are compatible in terms of contents and structure.
- To complement the databases, guidance documents for application of the risk identification and risk treatment steps and supporting documents for use of the databases are also results from the PREPARED project
- Acknowledgements are due to all demo participants for the collaboration in the testing and complement of the databases



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