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Roundtable 4: Water governance in transboundary basins

HOW IMPROVING BILATERAL GOVERNANCE?
New important water question of the Scheldt district-WFD N°10/10:

Improve bilateral Governance

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Idea: get 1 basis for discussion

Water governance in transboundary river basins = ?

- TRANSBOUNDARY COHERENCE
  - ADDED VALUE

1. Reliable transboundary agreement
2. International tools as permanent secretariat, common analysis, joint monitoring network, roof management plan,...
3. Bilateral tools to get also continuity at the boarders and to get bilateral local exchanges
Standard forms for all surface & ground water,

- **Standard forms to exchange on:**
  1. **Cartography:** common localisation, joint maps
  2. **Characterization** (art. 5 WFD,..)
  3. **Monitoring** : stations, parameters, frequency, methodologies
  4. **Status:** quality and quantity, risk,...
  5. **Objectives** considering ecology, good quality & quantity status floods, water scarcity, ...
  6. **Implementation** : types of measures, importance of investments,...
Standard forms for each problem,

- **Standard forms to exchange on:**
  1. **WFD:** for each border water body: quality and quantity status, objectives and measures
  2. **Floods directive:** for each transboundary water course: risk of flooding, flows, alert systems
  3. **Fish migration:** for each transboundary river: priority to take off obstacles, sort of fish, ecological continuity,
  4. **Climate change, drougths,...??**
Conclusions

1. The bilateral fiches are the basis for the roof management plans and for their coherent and concrete implementation.
2. EC have asked for them, to improve assessment.
3. For the ISC they’ll be part of the 2 roof management plan for WFD & floods directive
Discussion

Questions:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION