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- **Common tools and methodology** (data base, pilot basin, set of actions with unit costs at a national level...), adaptation and application to the local context;
- **Responsible team:** a team – generally from the ministry of environment - to apply the national tools at lower levels and to link actions with one or several shared objectives identifies for the basin with the stakeholders. Budget and prioritization of the actions;
- **Consistency and integration:** IWRM is a cross-cutting process. A lot of ministries are concerned. Consistency of main issues with different strategies and plans at different geographic scales is necessary and should be sought. Plan what it is possible/easier to implement, taking into account constraints (financial and human).

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- **Strong partnership**, keystone to implement an action plan: Identify and develop the partnership with the work owners, the administrative bodies and the stakeholders; elaborate partners' directory;
- **Sharing**: explain, disseminate and work together. Awareness is a key to improve the action plan implementation. All the stakeholders must understand IWRM through workshops, training... Good preparation of the consultation meetings is a must together with keeping track of remarks or contributions to be included in the plan.

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- **Develop a funding strategy** to stimulate the action plan implementation. In a short term: identify and reallocate current financial resources (donors, state budget); in the medium and long term: develop incentive and financial instruments (Private Public Partnership, contribution of users);
- **Solidarity:** strengthen the solidarity between the users, between men and women, between upstream and downstream with good behaviors, between the different countries of the same river basin;
- **Acceptability:** estimate economic, social and environmental benefits from the implementation of the action plan, evaluate regularly the implementation of the plan with indicators.