



### PAWA – Pilot Arno Water Accounts

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PAWA was a 15-month pilot action in the Arno River Basin (NW Italy) aimed at:

- ✓ improving knowledge on water resources available and their use;
- ✓ implementing and testing at basin level the UN water accounting approach

  SEEA-Water;
- ✓ assessing the potential impact of management, technological and economical measures to reduce the territory vulnerability against water scarcity and drought.

The pilot action started in January 2014 and ended in March 2015.

PAWA activities were based on a continuous co-operation, interaction & concertation at four different levels: basin/local; Italian; EU; and EUROMED.

The PAWA consortium:







Final grant: € 141.464,33 (75% of the eligible costs: € 188.619,11)

### The PAWA consortium



**ISPRA** is the technical-scientific branch of the Italian Ministry of Environment. It operates within the Environmental Agencies System, composed of 20 Regional

and 2 Provincial Agencies, according to a federative system.

ISPRA combines direct knowledge and experience of local environmental issues with national and European policies (incl. **EU WFD 2000/60/EC**; **EU FD 2007/60/EC**; **WS&D Comm.**) for environmental prevention and protection.



**ARBA**, which one of the six River Basin Authorities of National Relevance, has been carrying out programming and planning activities on land protection and water resources management since 1989.

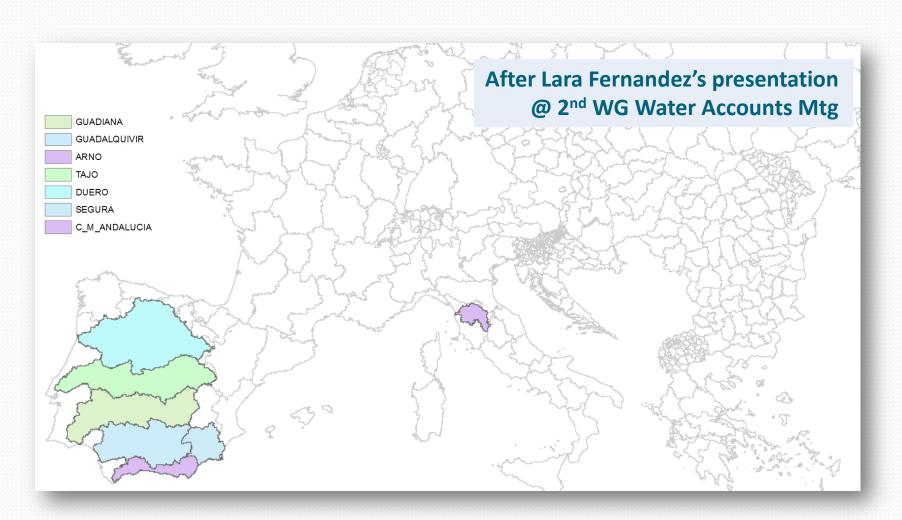
In recent years, ARBA has been entitled, in accordance with the **EU WFD**, to draft the RBMP for the Northern Apennines River Basin District and to coordinate the implementation activities as regards to the **EU FD**.



**SEMIDE/EMWIS** is an initiative of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership (EUROMED) that provides a strategic tool – the only one operational nowadays – for exchanging information and knowledge in the water sector between and within the EUROMED countries.

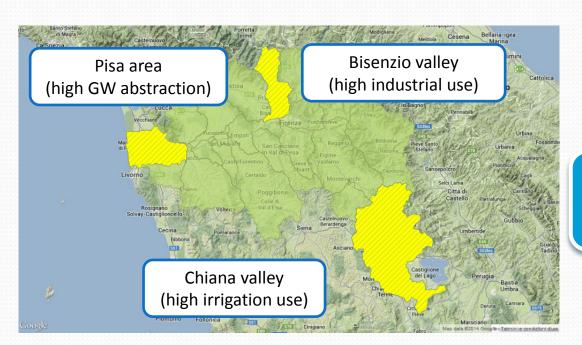
In the framework of the WGs of the Mediterranean Joint Process between the **EU Water Initiative** and the **EU WFD**, EMWIS is also working on know-how exchange for specific themes selected by the EUROMED water directors.

## The Arno River Basin & the target sub-basins



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- ☐ River length of **241 km**
- ☐ Surface area of 8.228 km²
- 98% belongs to Tuscany Region;2% belongs to Umbria Region
- ☐ The basin comprises 171 municipalities and 8 provinces (Arezzo, Florence, Pistoia, Pisa, Siena, Lucca, Livorno and Perugia)





Identification of 3 sub-basins where water accounts will have the best potential

## Why the Arno River Basin as pilot basin?

#### **Drought events during the last 10 years:**

In 2003 & 2007 a serious summer drought in the basin; many decentralized aqueducts remained without direct water supply.

At the turn of **2012**, an anomalous autumn drought in the basin that lasted till spring. It was characterized by not only the total absence of flow peaks (very common in late autumn) but also new absolute minimum recharge rates (reg. between Oct. and Mar.), with reference to the available time series of rain gauge data (last 90 years).

#### Water scarcity and management of critical conditions – What is ARBA doing?

In 2008 a Water Balance Plan for the Arno River Basin was adopted in accordance with Legislative Decree 152/2006 and its provisions managing withdrawals and releases are binding on the territory including granted volume reduction which aims to ensure environmental protection (i.e., respect of EF) and optimization water uses.

A draft version of a "drought management plan" was included in the PoM of Northern Apennines District RBMP.

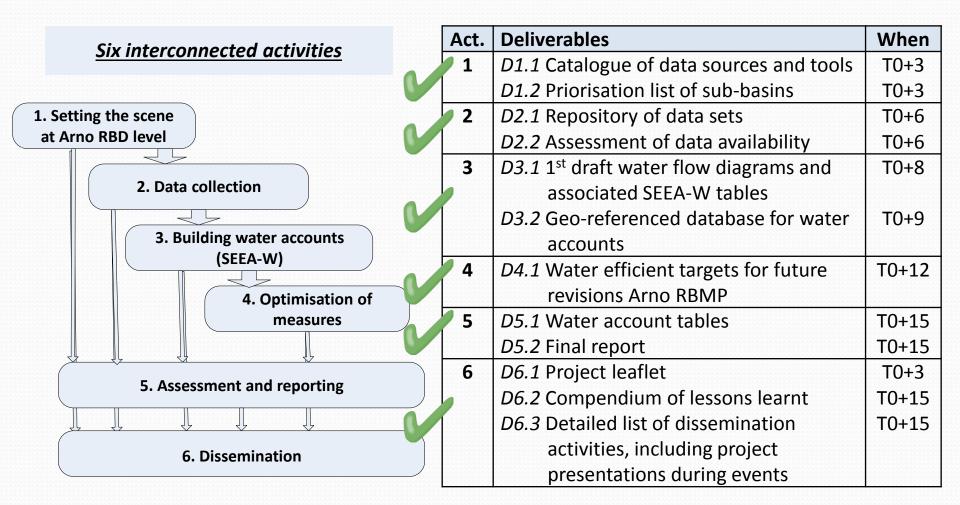
Plans are based on a 10-yr experience of "drought management" provided by a special Water Protection Commission that includes representatives from local administrations, municipalities, water management companies, and government representatives. This Commission monitors and manages droughts by the means of:

- Mid- and long-term meteo forecast analysis, regarding ground- and superficial water body recharges; and
- > Implementation of participative policy for the management of water reservoirs and limitation of withdrawals.

#### Water scarcity and management of critical conditions – ARBA and ISPRA experiences in WS&D

In the framework of the **2010–2012** activities of the CIS "Water Scarcity & Drought" Expert Group, ARBA and ISPRA tested the application of a modified Water Exploitation Index for the Arno River Basin on a monthly basis.

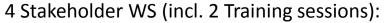
## PAWA activities & expected results



Deliverables available online at http://pawa.emwis.net

### 1. Setting the Scene at Arno RBD Level

Inception workshop and training on SEEA-Water and ECRINS



- ✓ Florence, 20–21 March 2014
- ✓ Florence, 02 July 2014
- ✓ Rome, 01 December 2014
- ✓ Florence, 30 March 2015 (Final WS)

Inventory and description of existing data sources and tools

Distribution point
Spatial and time extension
Quality level
Supplementary info

Identification of sub-basins where WAs will have the best potential

Bisanzio valley Chiana valley Pisa area

### 2. Data Collection

Matching of the existing datasets with SEEA-Water data structure

Repository of all necessary datasets – from several data providers at local, regional and national level – and pre-processing of data

Metadata catalogue INSPIRE/ISO 19115 compliant (→ Act. 3: Geo-referenced DB)

A. Physical use table (physical units)

From the environment

- 1. Total abstraction (= 1.a + 1.b = 1.i + 1.ii)
  - 1.a. Abstraction for own use
  - 1.b. Abstraction for distribution
  - 1.I. From Inland water resources:
    - 1.i.1. Surface water
    - 1.I.2. Groundwater
    - 1.I.3. Soll water
  - 1.II. Collection of precipitation
  - 1.III. Abstraction from the sea

Within the economy

- Use of water received from other economic units of which:
  - 2.a. Reused water
  - 2.b. Wastewater to sewerage
- 3. Total use of water (= 1 + 2)

Two repositories on <a href="ftp.isprambiente.it">ftp.isprambiente.it</a> one for internal use and one for public dissemination (pawapub / PUB38h76)

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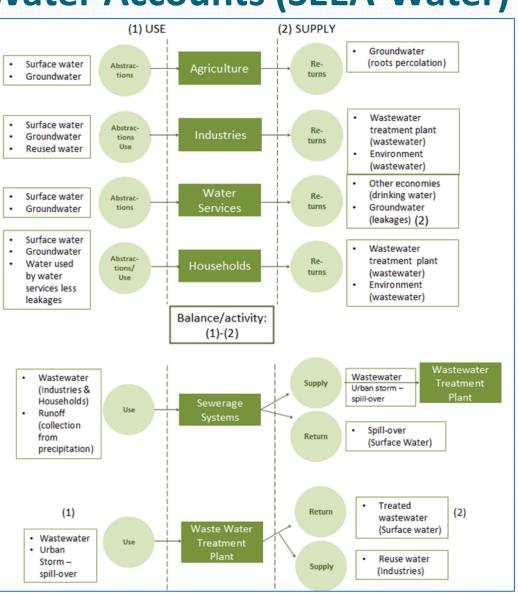
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Provider	Main activity	Type of data sets
Nuove Acque S.p.A. Publiacqua S.p.A. Acque S.p.A. Gida SpA, etc.	Water Supply systems and wastewater management	Water abstraction Water supply Wastewater discharge Treated Wastewater supplied for reused
Provincia di Firenze, Arezzo, Prato, Pistoia, Pisa, Siena, Livorno, Lucca	Local government	Water abstraction Water levels (surface and groundwater)
Autorità Idrica Toscana	Water supply government	Water demand data
ARBA	River basin organisation	River discharge Surface and ground water balance Results from models
Regione Toscana	Local government	Climatic data
ISTAT	National Institute of Statistics	Water supply networks leakages Population / GDP (not yet exploited)

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Building a geo-referenced db (water resource availability & use)

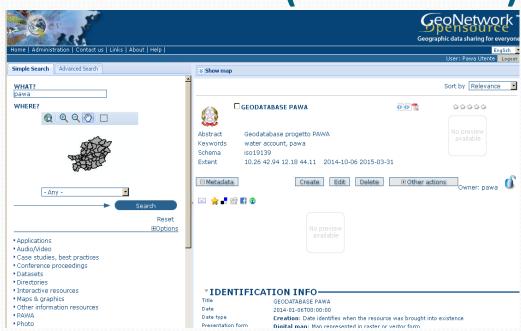
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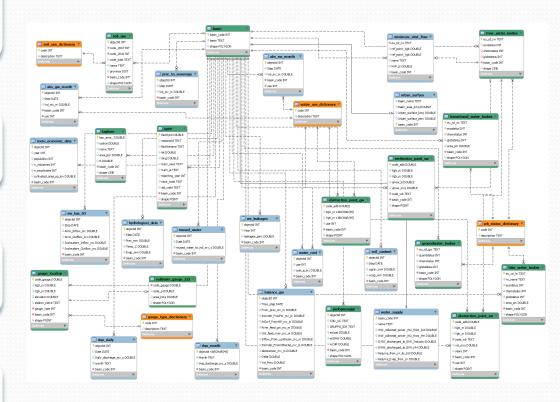
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		Λ	Activities								Households	Rest of the world	Total
A. Physical wa	ter use table (Ta	able III.3) [m3]	Agriculture	Industry	35	Water Services	Sewerage	WWTP	To	otal		(exports water)	
From the													
environment	1.a Abstractio	on for own use	18 539 762	3 728 788			25 278 831			47 547 381	4 229 734		51 777 11
	(Type of use)	Hydroelectric power generation											
	1	Irrigation water	18 539 762							18 539 762			18 539 76
	1	Mine water											
	1	Urban run-off (urban storm water)					25 278 831	15 167	299	25 278 831			25 278 83
		Cooling water Other											
	1.b Abstractio	on for distribution				5 165 185				5 165 185			5 165 18
	1.i From inlan	d water resources	18 539 762	3 728 788	ш	5 165 185				27 433 735	4 229 734		31 663 46
	1	Surface water	4 869 762	1 728 788		1 895 185				8 493 735	309 734		8 803 46
	1	Groundwater	13 670 000	2 000 000		3 270 000				18 940 000	3 920 000		22 860 00
	1	Soil water											
	1.ii Collection	of precipitation					25 278 831	15 167	299	25 278 831			25 278 83
	1.iii Abstracti	on from the sea											
	1. Total abstr	action (1.a+1.b(=1.i+1.ii+1.iii))	18 539 762	3 728 788		5 165 185	25 278 831			52 712 566	4 229 734		56 942 29
Within the	1												
economy	2. From other	economic units	-	-		-	6 310 475	21 477	773	27 788 248	4 235 452		32 023 69
	1	Water services		-							4 235 452		4 235 45
	1	Recycle/Reused water		-						-			
	1	Wastewater to sewerage					6 310 475	6 310	475	6 310 475			6 310 47
		Desalinated water								-			-
		3. TotalA (1+2)	18 539 762	3 728 788		5 165 185	31 589 305.4	21 477 77	3.1	80 500 813	8 465 185		88 965 99

Processing SEEA-Water visualization outputs

Chiana 2012 Physical Supply and Use Table: Use

		Activities						Households	Rest of the world	Total	
B. Physical sup	oply table (Table III.3) [m3]	Agriculture	Industry	35	Water Services	Sewerage	WWTP	Total		(Imports water)	
Within the											
economy	4. To other economic units		1 864 394		4 235 452	21 477 773	-	6 099 846	4 446 081		10 545 926
	4.a Reused water						-	-			-
	4.b Wasterwater to sewerage		1 864 394			21 477 773		1 864 394	4 446 081		6 310 475
	4.c Desalinated water										
	5. Total returns (=5a+5b)	3 707 952	745 758		929 733	10 111 532	21 477 77	36 972 749	3 172 300		40 145 049
Into the											
environment	Hydroloelectric power generation							_			
	Irrigation water	3 707 952						3 707 952			3 707 952
	Mine water					Spillover		_			
	Urban run-off (storm water)					10 111 532	15 167 29	25 278 831			25 278 831
	Cooling water										
	Loses in distribution because of leakages	_			929 733			929 733			929 733
	Non treated wastewater		745 758			10 111 532		10 857 290	3 172 300		14 029 590
	Treated wastewater						21 477 77	21 477 773		-	21 477 773
	Other										
	5.a To inland water resources (=5a.1+5a.2+5a.3)	3 707 952	745 758		929 733	10 111 532	21 477 77	36 972 749	3 172 300		40 145 049
	5a.1 Surface water					10 111 532	21 477 77	31 589 305			31 589 305
	5a.2 Groundwater	3 707 952			929 733			4 637 686			4 637 686
	5a.3 Soil water										
	5b To other resources										
	6. TotalB (4+5)	3 707 952	2 610 152		5 165 185	31 589 305	21 477 77	64 550 367	7 618 381	-	72 168 748
	7. Consumption	14 831 810	1 118 636		-	-	-	15 950 446	846 804	-	16 797 250
	7a Loses in distribution (evap. Or malfunctioning meters)	12 050 845									12 050 845

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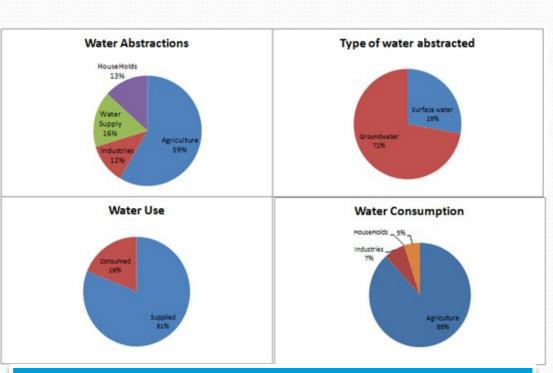
Chiana 2012 Physical Supply and Use Table: Supply

Production of water flow diagrams for each sub-basin in cooperation with local stakeholders

Building a geo-referenced db (water resource availability & use)

Processing SEEA-Water visualization outputs

Computing and validating SEEA-Water tables (1999-2013)



Chiana 2012: Physical Supply and Use Accounts (56.94 Hm3 abstracted)

## 4. Optimisation of Measures

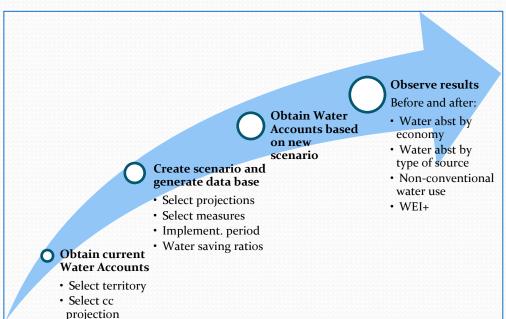
Identify suitable measures for the selected sub-basins and estimate water savings and implementing costs

Elaborate prospective scenarios based on various combinations of measures and preparing the visualization outputs for each scenario

Define water efficiency targets during a participatory workshop with local stakeholders using the output of proposed scenario

	Name of measures	Impacts	Secondary impacts
	1. Sensitization campaign	Water supply services reduce abstractions	
	2. Household devices	Water supply and HH reduce abstractions	
	3. Reduction leakages	Water supply reduce abstractions and reduce leakages, water services to households is constant	Variable of leakages
2555555	4. Desalination	Water supply services reduce abstraction	
2555	5. Irrigation techniques	Less water abstracted by agriculture	i) Irrigation losses (to groundwater)     ii) Evaporation <sup>2</sup>
	6. Reduce permits (agriculture)	Reduce irrigation abstractions, temporarily	
	7. Drought resistant crops	Reduce irrigation abstractions	
	8. Water recycle	Reduce irrigation abstractions	
	9. Sensitization campaign	Reduce industry abstractions	
	10. Industrial water reuse	Reduce industry abstractions	
	11. Sensitization campaign	Reduce rural household abstractions	
100	12. Reduce permits (households)	Reduce rural household abstractions, temporally	
	13. Green measures	Reduce rural households abstractions	
	14.a Increase prices irrigation borehole	Irrigation reduce abstractions, temporarily	
	14.b Increase prices rural borehole	Reduce rural household abstractions, temporarily	
	15. Rehabilitation aquifers	Increase variable of outflow discharge	Increase renewable water resources
	16. Reservoirs management	Increase variable of outflow discharge	Increase renewable water resources

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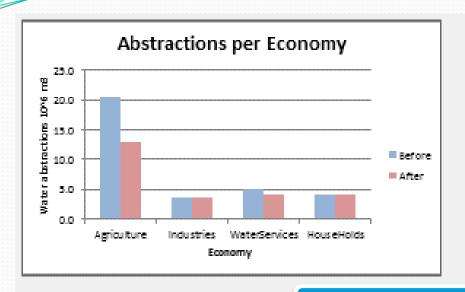


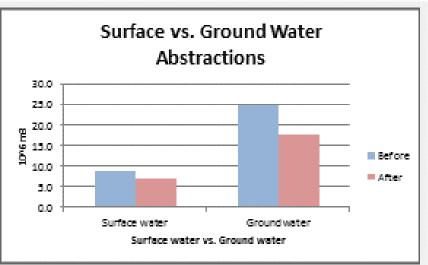
- → Define a methodology to include CC trends into RBMPs to:
  - reflect the present impacts into the different aspect of the hydrological cycle; and
  - assess the sustainability of measures and interventions

#### **Procedure**

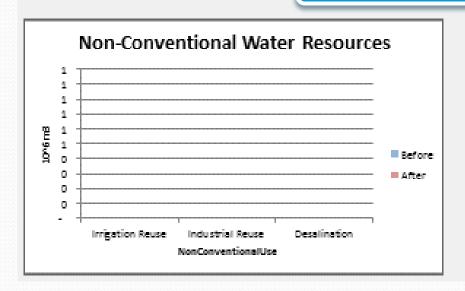
- real scenario is compared with scenarios based on CC projections (unmet demand and WEI+ are produced for each scenario)
- The worst scenario is chosen
- 3) Set of measures based on local experts' judgment are selected → new data set obtained
- 4) Results: unmet demand and WEI+ for each of the climate projections

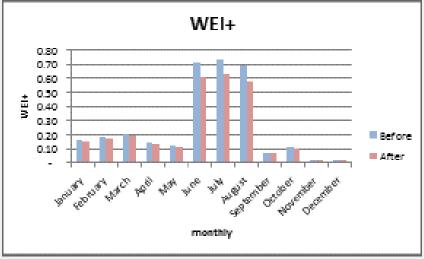
Id	Scenario	Description						
ıu	Scenario	Безстрион						
1	Real	Based on measured hydrological data, 1993–2013						
2	CNRM_RCP45	Synthetic hydrological data derived from 1993–2012 measured data, biased in order to copy with global circulation model output for a long-medium term temporal horizon (2070–2090)						
CNRM – CM5 global climate model		CNRM – CM5 global climate model						
3	CNRM RCP85	Météo France						
		http://www.cnrm-game.fr/spip.php?article126⟨=fr						
4	MOHC_RCP45	Synthetic hydrological data derived from 1993–2012 measured data, biased in order to copy with global circulation model output for a long-medium term temporal horizon (2070–2090)						
5	MOHC_RCP85	Met Office Hadle Center http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/						
6	IPSL_RCP45	Synthetic hydrological data derived from 1993–2012 measured data, biased in order to copy with global circulation model output for a long-medium term temporal horizon (2070–2090)						
7	IPSL_RCP85	Institut Pierre Simon Laplace des Sciences de l'Environnement Global (IPSL)  http://igcmg.ipsl.jussieu.fr/						





#### **CHIANA 2012**





Results shows that measures selected by experts does not result in an unmet demand equal to 0 and it is not enough to get a WEI+ lower than 0.4.

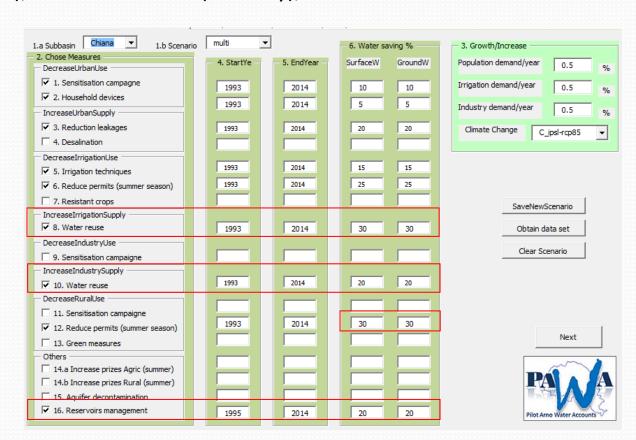
→ A new scenario ("MULTI" scenario) is then created by combining new set of measures: #3 Reduction of leakages needs to reach a reduction up to the 20%;

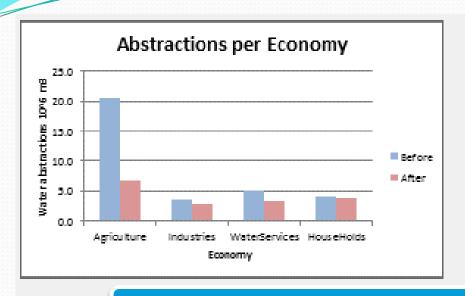
#8 Water reuse (Agriculture), #10 Water reuse (Industry), and #16 Reservoir

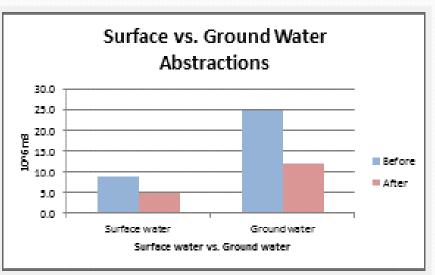
Managements need to be included;

#12 Reduce permits (Households) needs to reach a reduction up to the 30% (summer period).

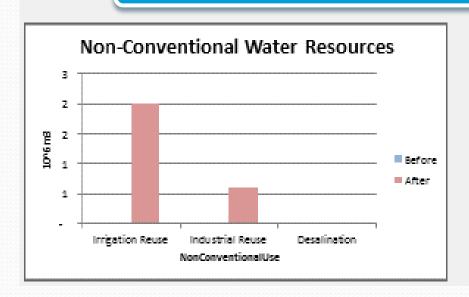
→ With this scenario: unmet demand = 0 WEI+ < 0.4

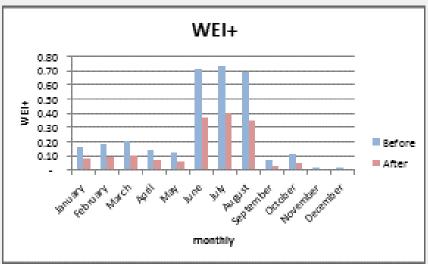






#### CHIANA 2012 AFTER THE APPLICATION OF THE NEW SCENARIO





## Water efficiency objectives for RBMP

The idea is to obtain RBMP water efficiency targets by selecting the worst CC projection scenario. Targets are selected according to RBMP contents, referred to the adopted 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle of programming (December 2014).

#### **RBMP contents:**

- 1. General characteristics of water body.
- 2. Synthetic contents of analysis for RBMP, aimed to provide links between pressures, status and PoM, and to justify the adoption of WFD exemption according to arts. 4 & 5:
  - Ecological/chemical/quantitative gap to achieve "good" status based on monitored environmental status;
  - On-going measures tackling pressures and impacts;
  - Impacting without measures' cover by sector;
  - Measures' integration, with indication of Key Type of Measures.
- → The latest information give the possibility to match RBMP needs (in terms of updates of PoM) with proposed water efficiency targets proposed in the PAWA project.

#### Water saving targets for Chiana 2012 using the "MULTI" scenario.

Economy	Water saving targets	Non-conventional use (10 <sup>6</sup> m³)
Irrigation	<b>→</b> 70%	<b>★</b> 2.01
Water services	<b>→</b> 35%	
Industry	<b>★</b> 20%	♠ 0.6
Households	<b>→</b> 30% (summer)	

- For the agricultural sector, the resulting target is a decrease of 70% in abstractions combined with non-conventional use supply amounting to 2.01 annual hm<sup>3</sup> coming from recycled water (#8).
- The second target reduces water service abstractions by 35%.
- The third one concerns industries and it foresees a reduction of abstractions up to 20%, supplying 0.6 annual hm<sup>3</sup> by nonconventional use (#10).
- Households located in rural areas have to decrease abstractions up to the 30% at least during the summer period.

# 5. Assessment and Reporting

Provision of water accounts tables computed

Preparation of progress reports

Preparation of the final reports

Comparison of water balanced developed at EU level with SEEA-W tables developed during the project



#### Leaflet

Dedicated web space on ARPA, ISPRA and EMWIS

Circulating information on activities & results using several communication channels

Coordination and concertation meetings organized by DG ENV

Attendance to national and international workshops

Compendium of good practices

### 6. Dissemination

http://pawa.emwis.net

- □ pawa@isprambiente.it
- □ PRU€ bulletins
- ☐ SEMIDE/EMWIS newsletters
- PAWA @ facebook
- ☐ IDRA14, OECD, etc.
- ☐ EU CSI WG Meetings



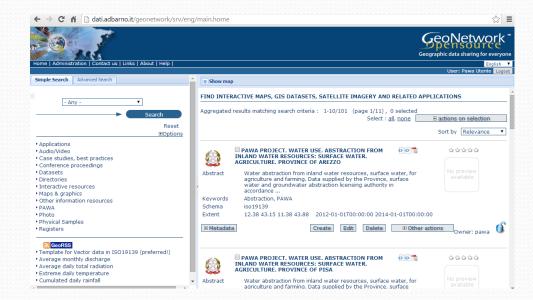
### After PAWA...

PAWA results are being used to update the Northern Apennines RBMP; not only used in relation to the water bodies located in the 3 test areas but also being gradually applied to all bodies of the Arno Basin with the following outcomes:

- Consistently with SEEA-Water tables, data on total abstractions that affect a
  water body are used, together with the assessment of the total pollution
  load and hydro-morphological alterations, to quantify the gap between
  present water body status and the "good status" objective.
  - → gap assessment: basis for the evaluation aiming at weighing the effects of ongoing measures and support decision making wrt new measures' selection
- 2. PAWA outputs and results are used in the process of evaluating the impact of ongoing measures on the estimated gap and precisely for the quantitative apportionment of ongoing measures with respect to the reduction of abstractions for irrigation uses and their impact in terms of water savings.

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Exploitation of water accounts tables

Subbasin

SEEA-W Table

Initialize

GetOpenings

Year [1990-2013]

ShowTable

Exit

Get Balance

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To be considered during the process of measures' optimization by defining specific targets for WEI+





# Thank you for your kind attention!

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