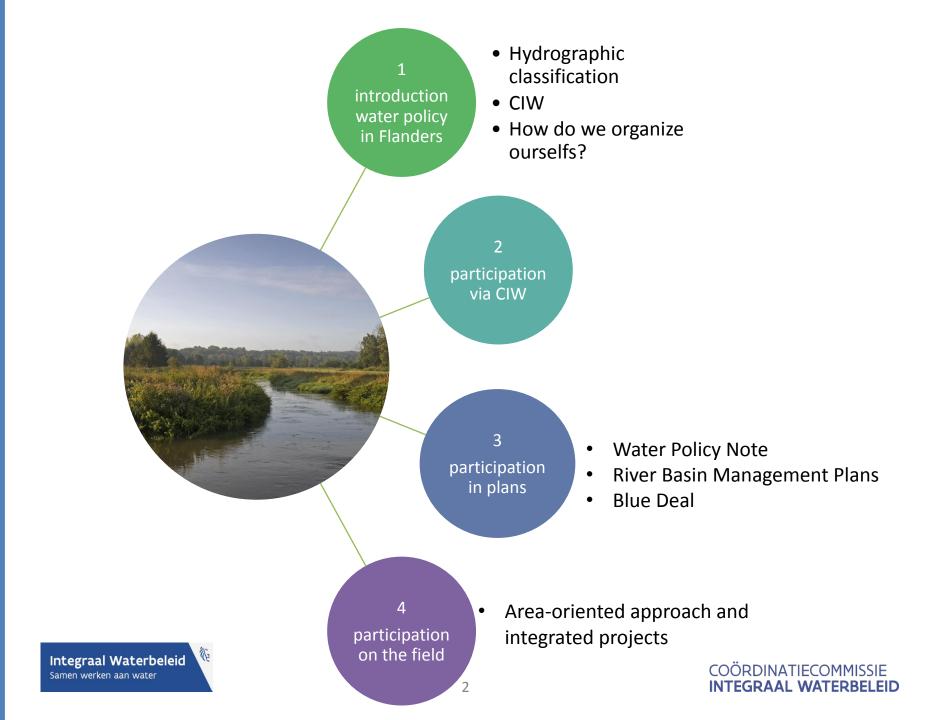
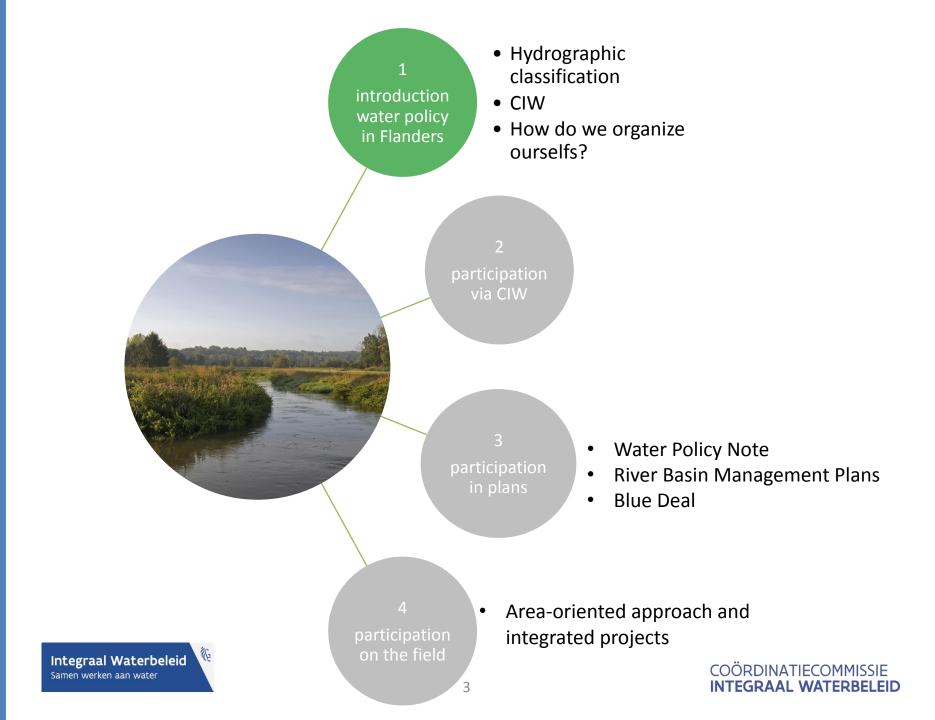
Participation in processes and plans in Flanders

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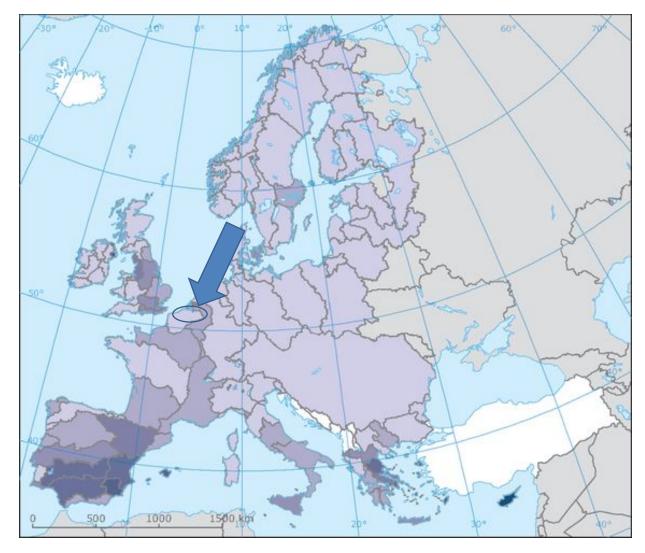






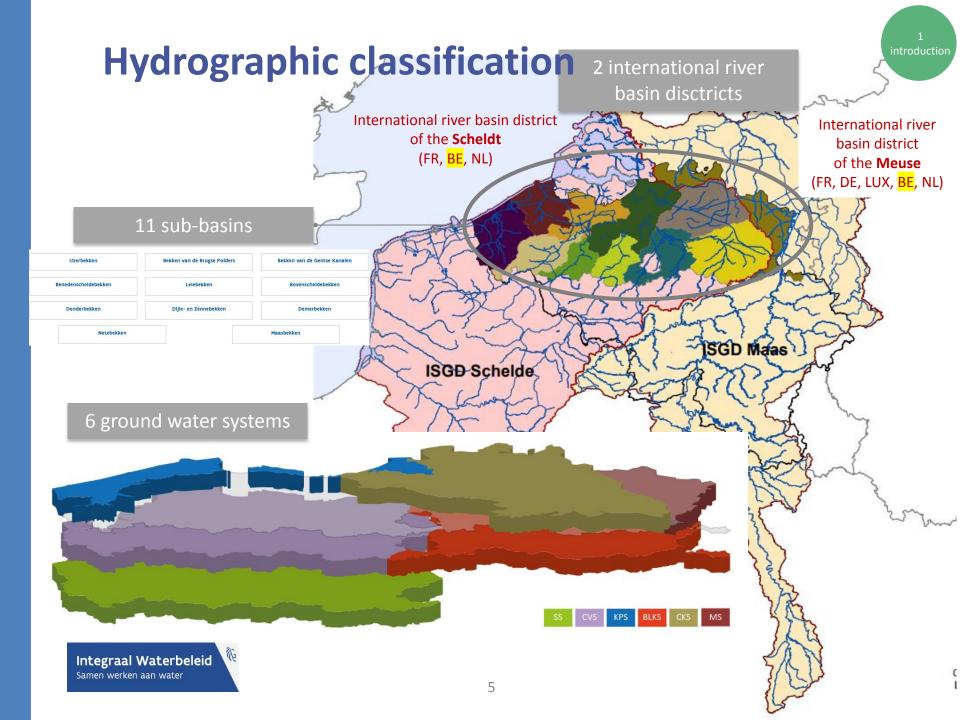
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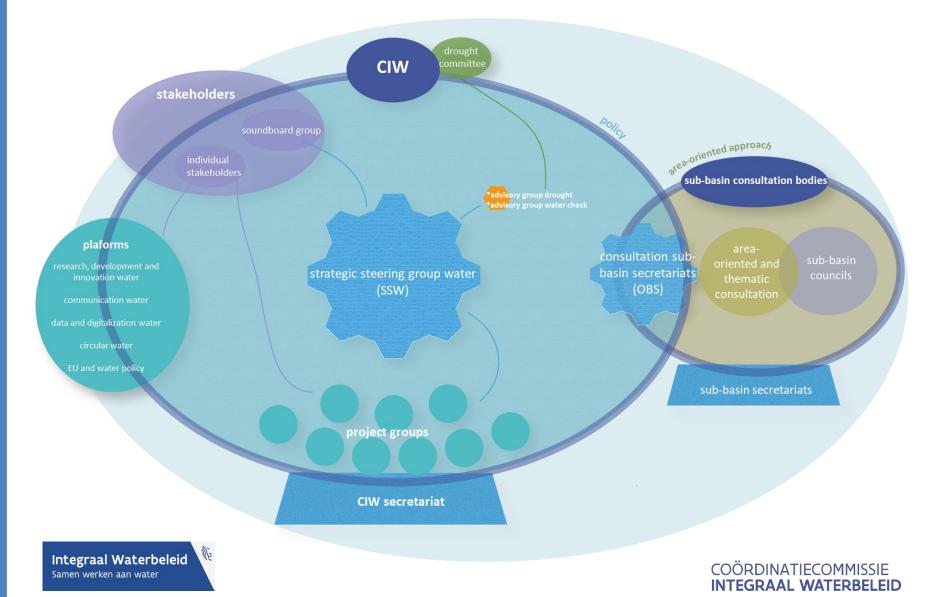


- Coordination Committee Integrated Water Policy (CIW)
 - is the competent authority in Flanders for the Water Framework Directive and the Flood Risk Directive
 - coordinates drought and circular water policies
 - is a consultation platform of the various policy areas and levels of government involved in water policy
 - ensures a coordinated and integrates approach of water policy and water management in Flanders
 - supports the area-oriented approach to water management

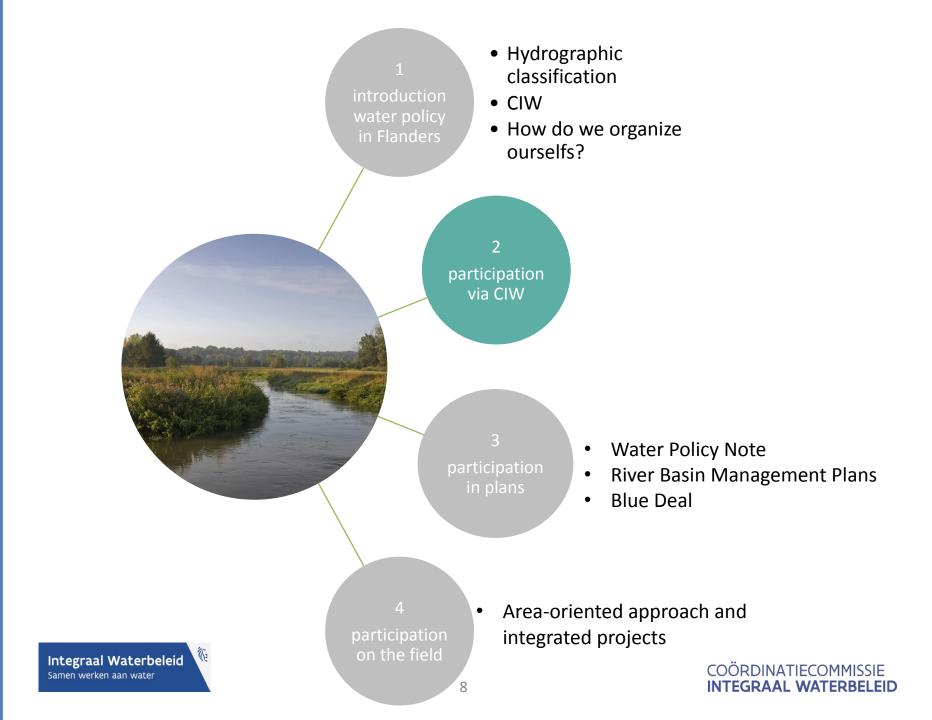
CIW is the central hub of the water policy in Flanders

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How do we organize ourselfs?



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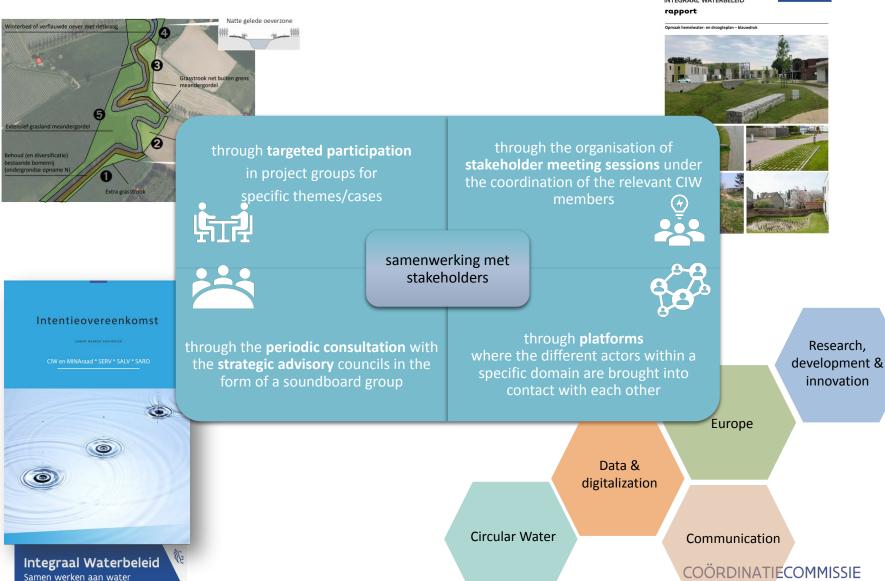


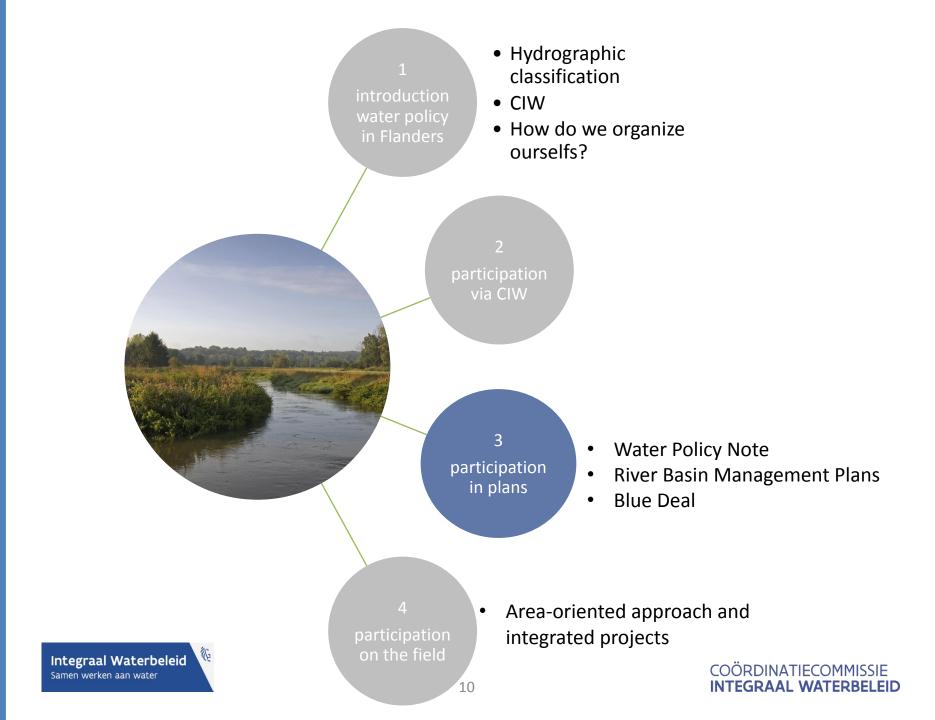
Participation via CIW

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participation in plans

Water Policy Note

policy document of the Flemish Government containing the general vision on the integrated water policy and an overview of the water management issues to be addresse

water policy note

river basin management plans

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plans containing **measures** en actions to improve ground water and surface water and to protect against floods and drought

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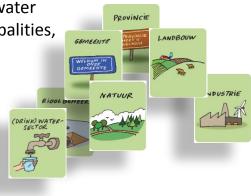
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• target group

- stakeholders related to water
- local authorities (municipalities, provinces and polders)

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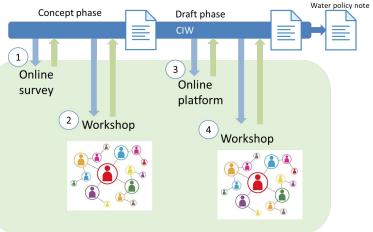




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- outcome participation process valorized in policy note
 - separate document
 - separate chapter in the water policy note
 - integration of different statements

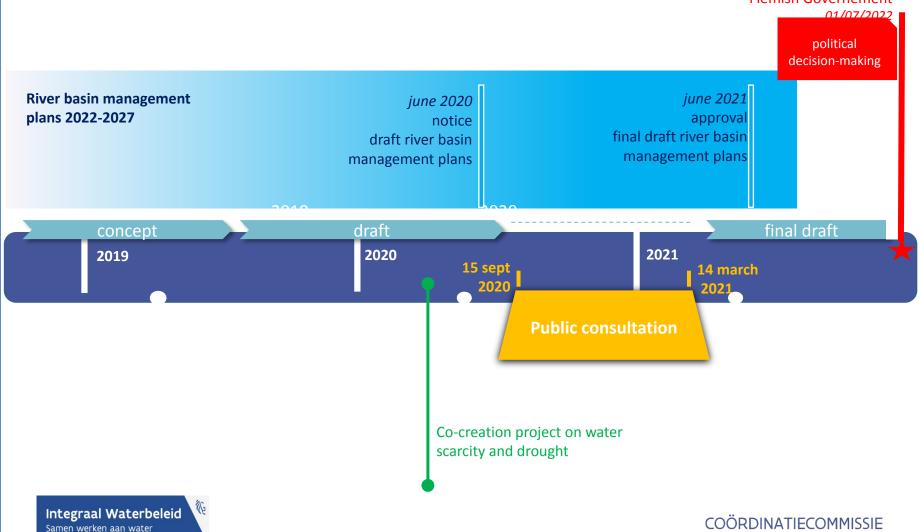


participation in **River basin management plans 2022-2027**

establishment river basin management plans by the **Flemish Governement**

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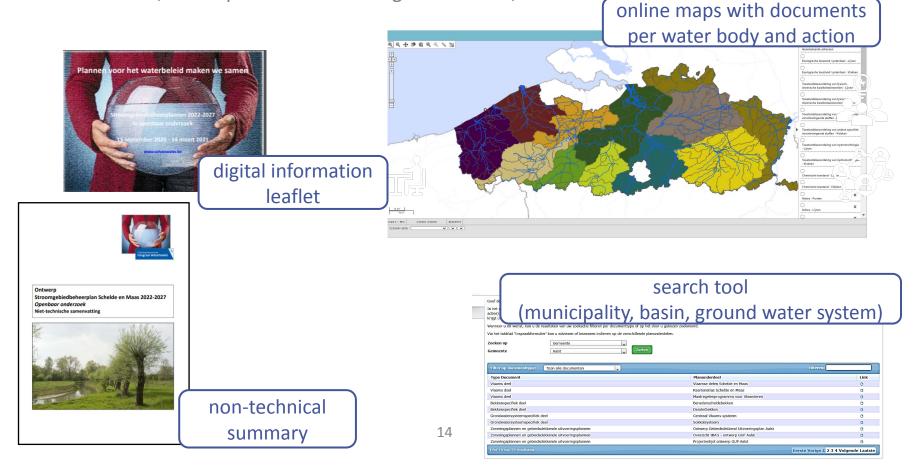


River basin management plans 2022-2027

participation in plans

•Co-creative drawing up process

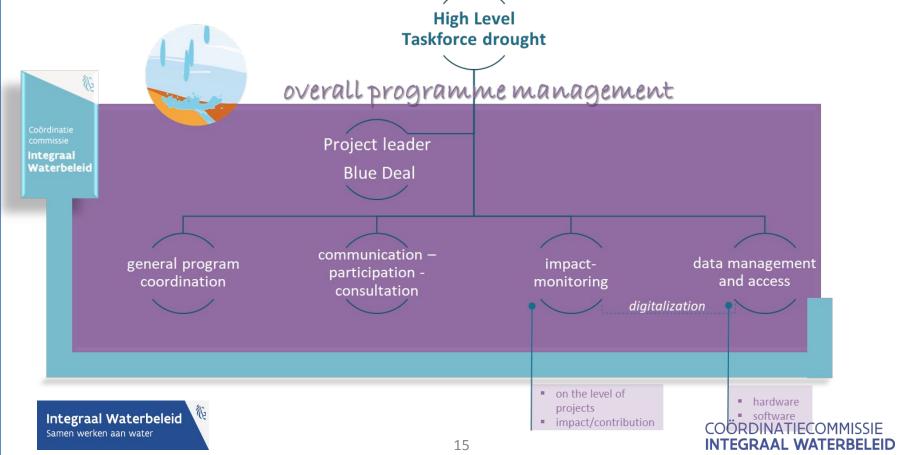
- **public consultation** via <u>www.volvanwater.be</u> (15/09/20 up to 14/03/21)
- wide publication by CIW, municipalities, CIW partners, ...
- participation support
- information moments for involved administrations, stakeholders, members of basin structures, municipalities and sewerage authorities, ...

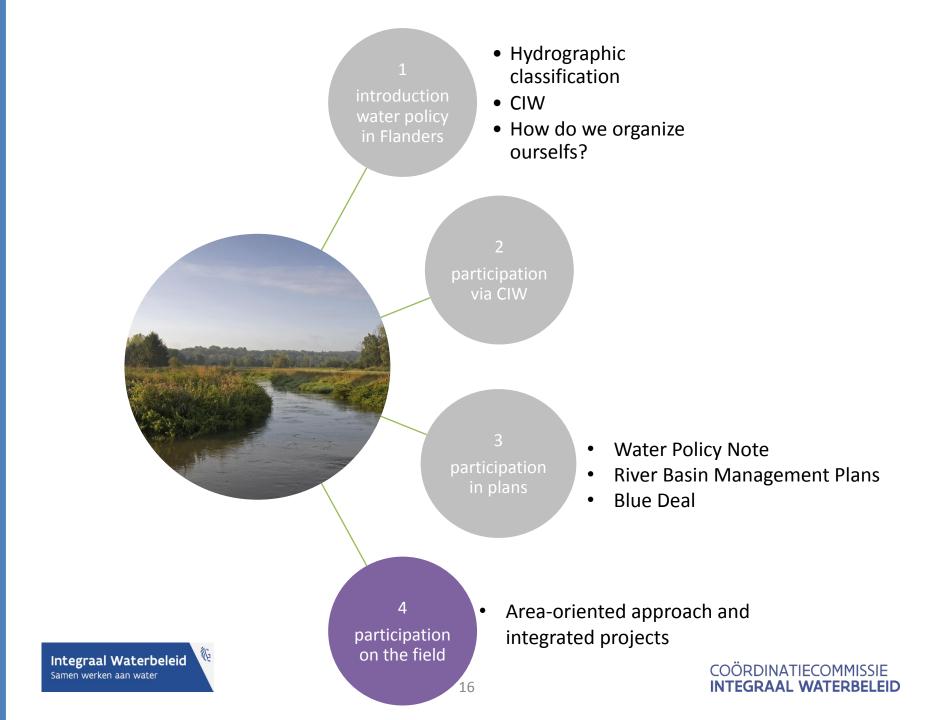


Blue Deal

- plan of the Flemish government to cope with scarcity of water and drought
- 2 tracks: increase climate resilience of the water system and accelerate the change to economical, sustainable and circular water use
- > 70 actions
- integrated in the river basin management plans

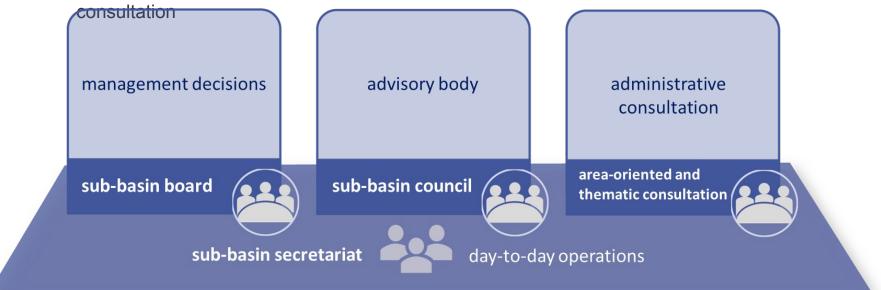






Area-oriented approach

- the consultation between all stakeholders within each sub-basin has
 - **a sub-basin board:** cooperation structure between water management authorities on the level of a sub-basin
 - a sub-basin council: stakeholders related to water
 - a sub-basin secretariat: administrative pillar, organizes area-oriented and thematic



consultation bodies per sub-basin

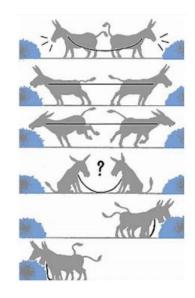
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Area-oriented approach

 Manual for participation in area-oriented work on water drafted to efficiently involve stakeholders in various projects on water







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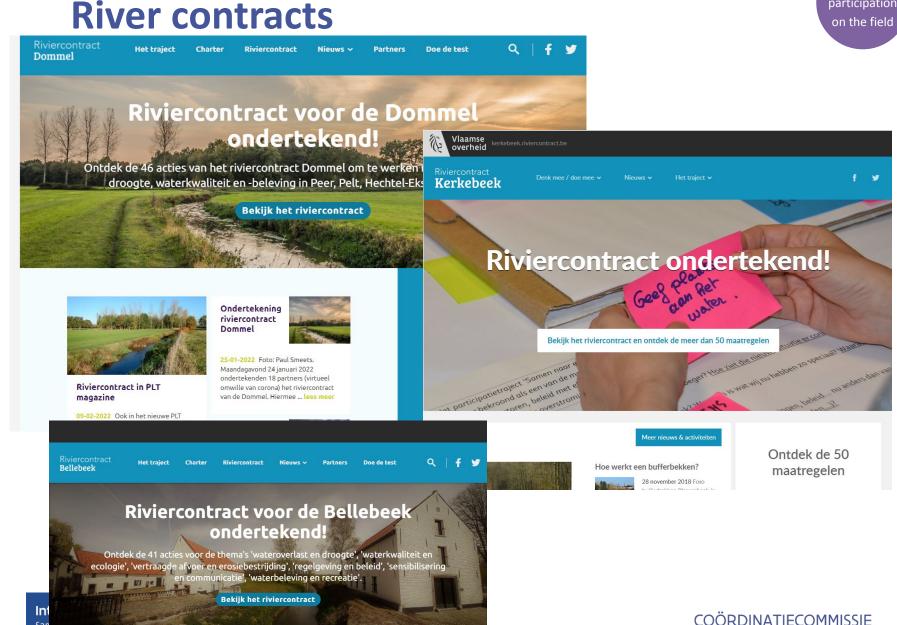






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"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, GO TOGETHER."

~ African Proverb



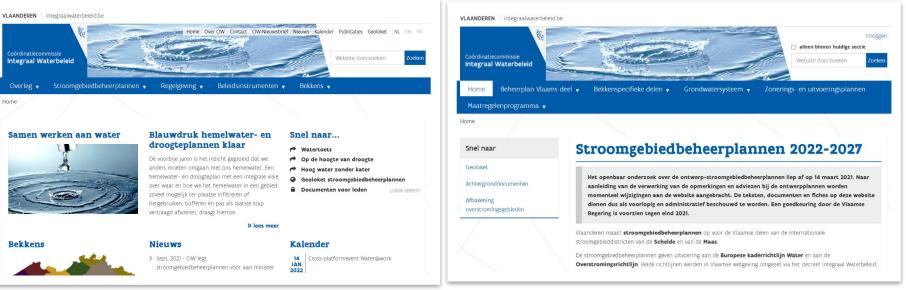




Want to know more?

website of the Coordination Committee Integrated Water Policy (CIW)

website of the River Basin Management Plans



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