

# RECENT ADVANCES IN TRANSBOUNDARY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT IN THE BALKANS

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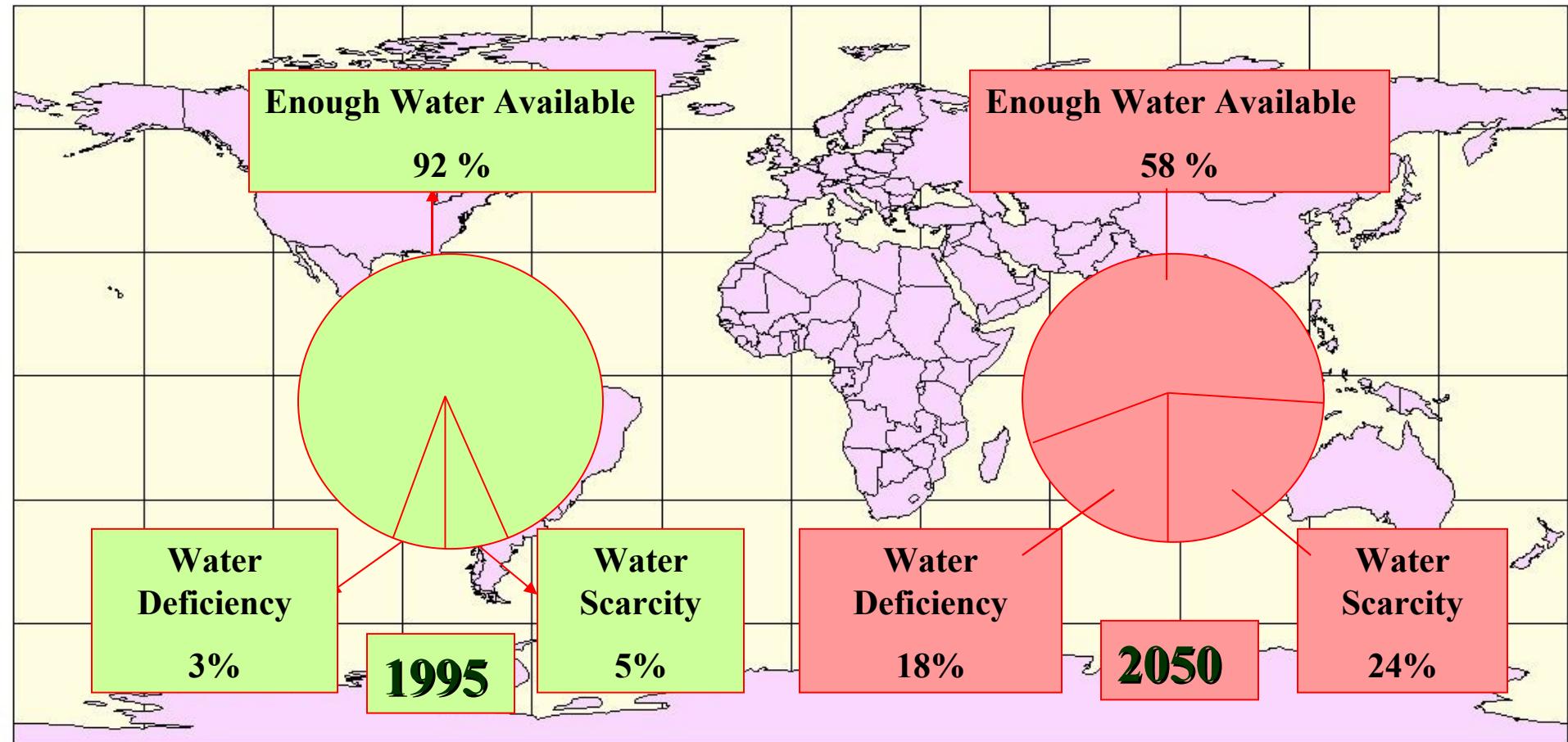
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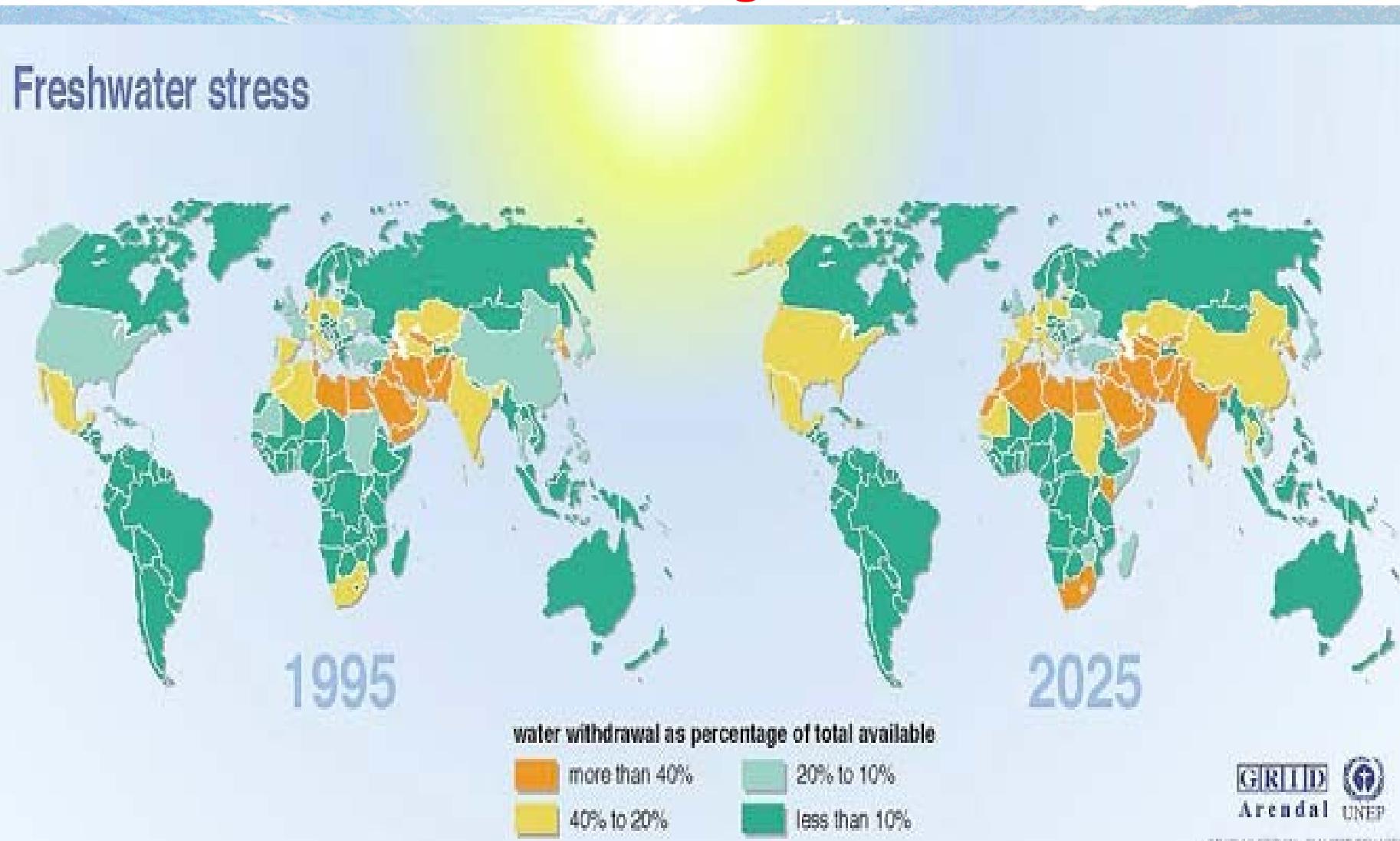
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# PRESENT AND FUTURE WATER SITUATION FOR WORLD POPULATION

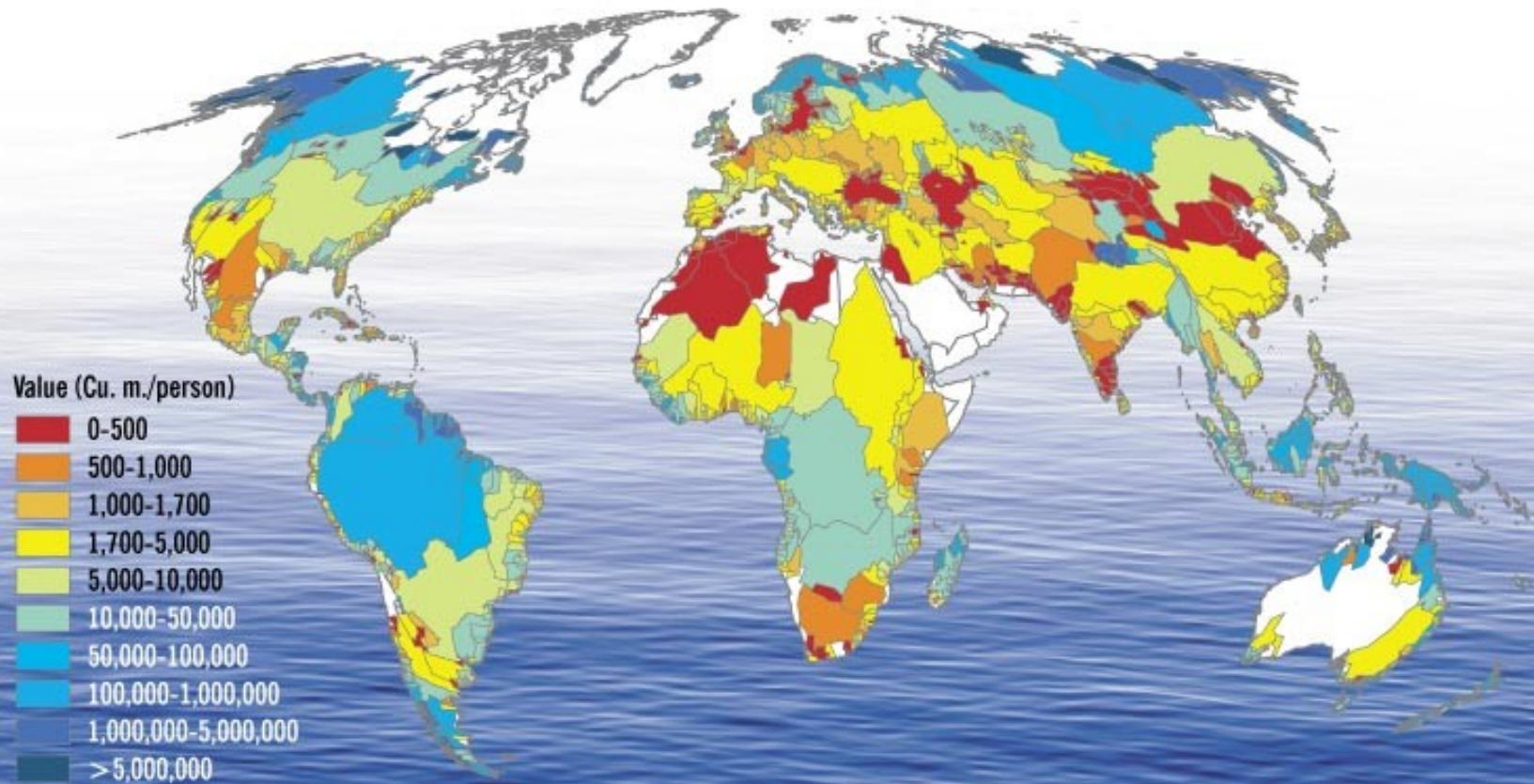


# Water Stress will Increase Independent of Climate Change



Southern Global environment outlook 2000 (S GEO). UNEP Earthscan, London, 1999.

# Cubic Meters of Water per Person by Basin



Source: Transboundary Freshwater Dispute Database, 2001,  
<http://www.grdc.sr.unh.edu>



## « VIRTUAL » WATER



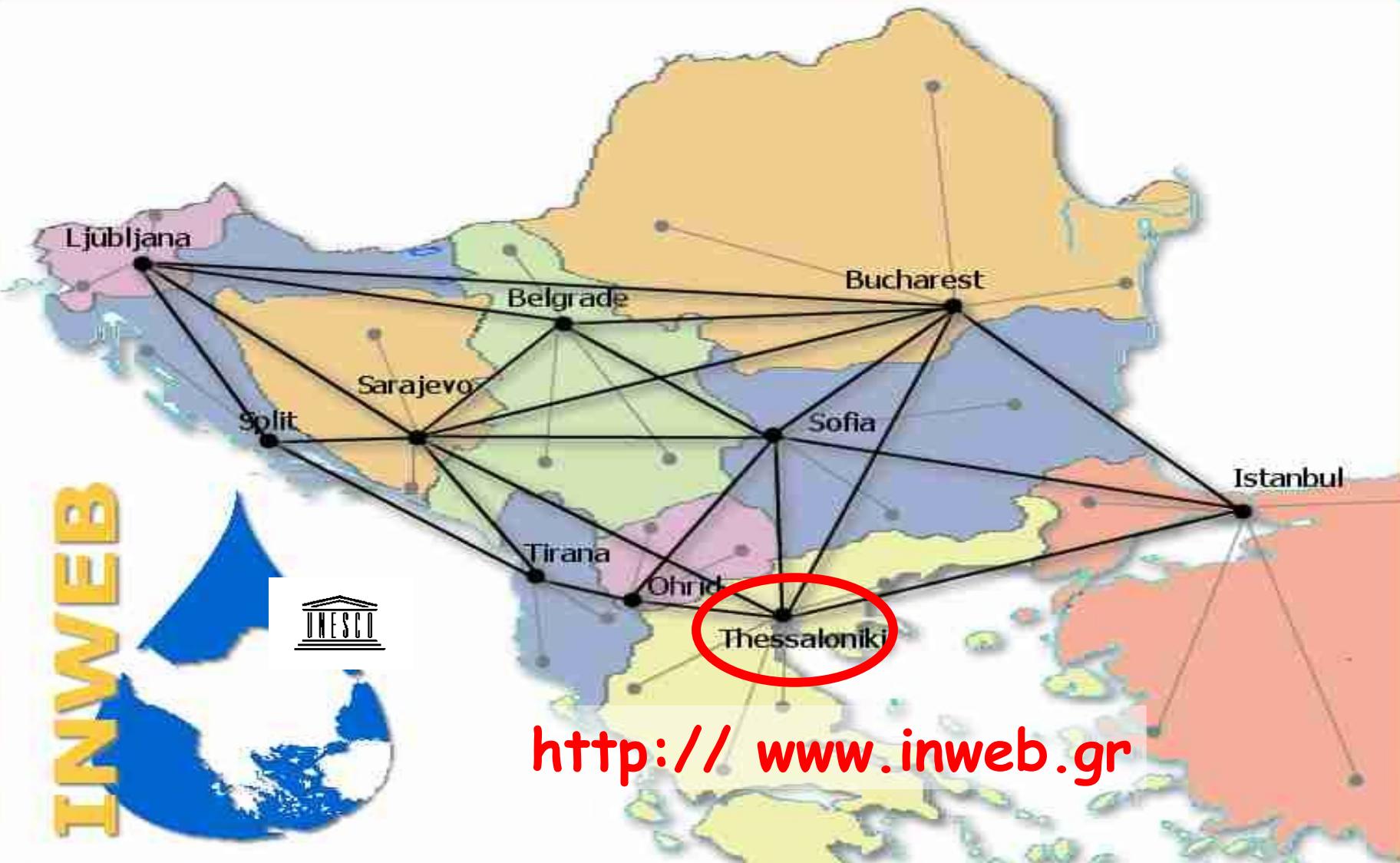
75 liters of water



150 liters of water



15.000 liters of water / Kg



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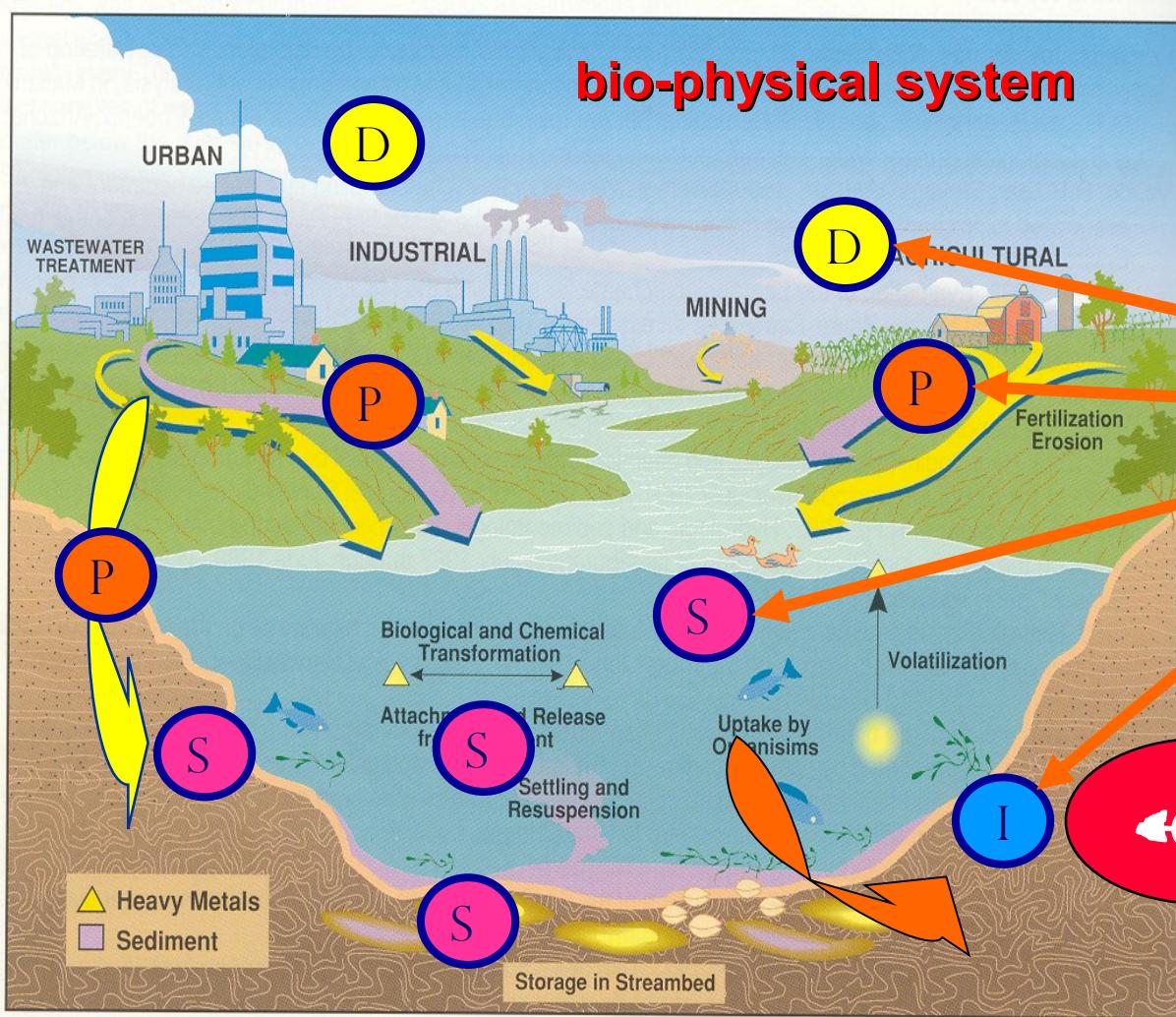
# THE SITUATION IN S-E EUROPE



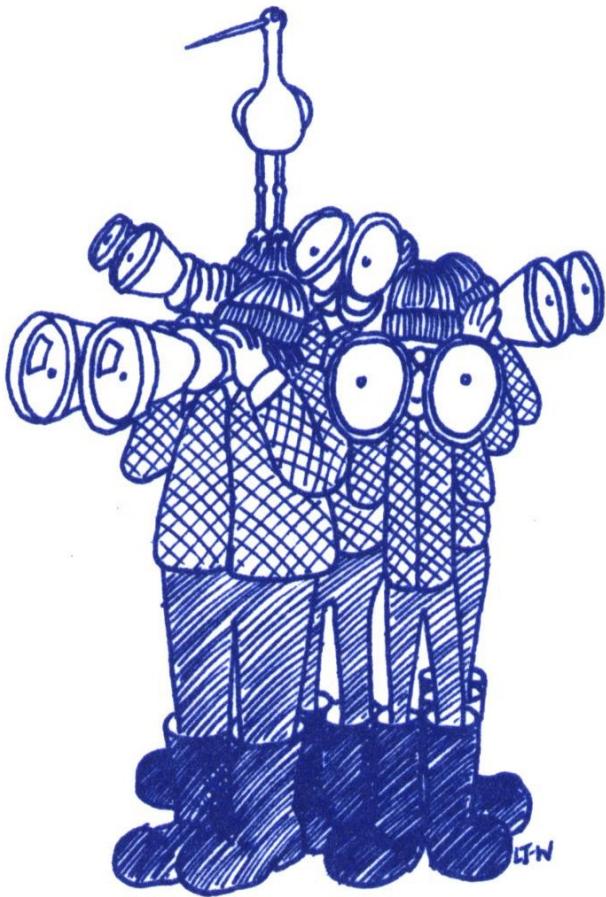




# MONITORING: use of DPSIR for achieving "a good status of water by 2015"



Base sketch from Meade (1996) and DPSIR from EEA



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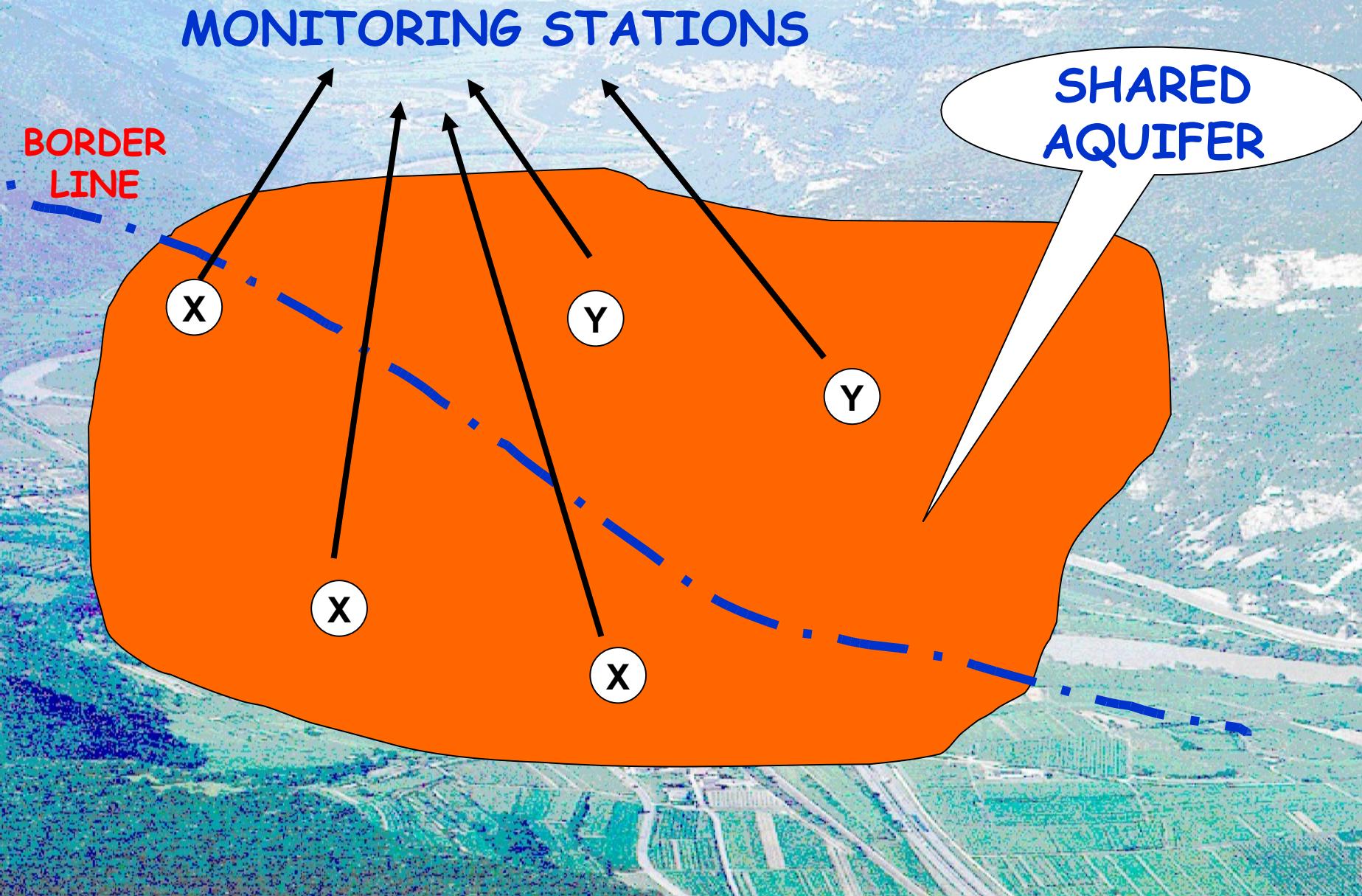
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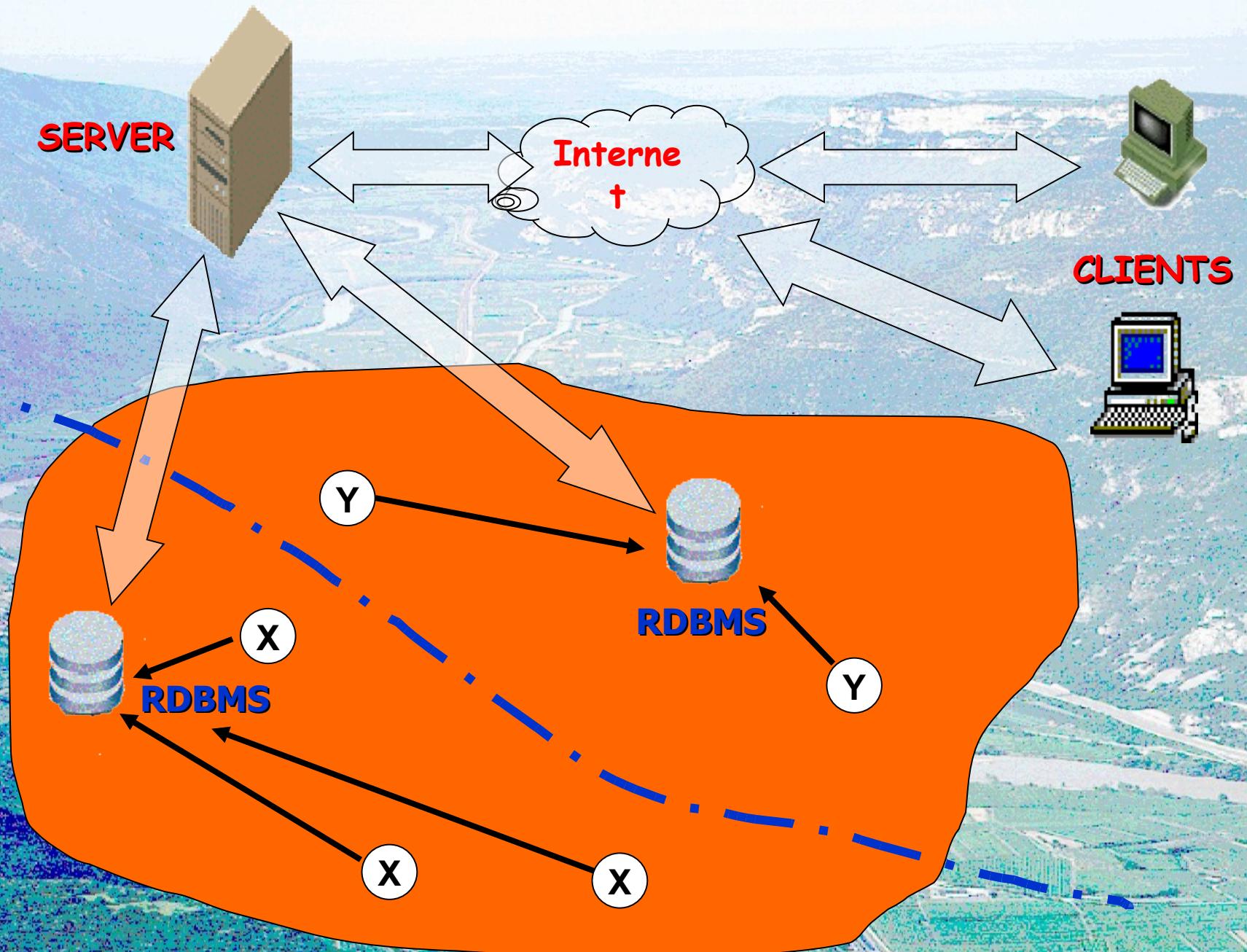


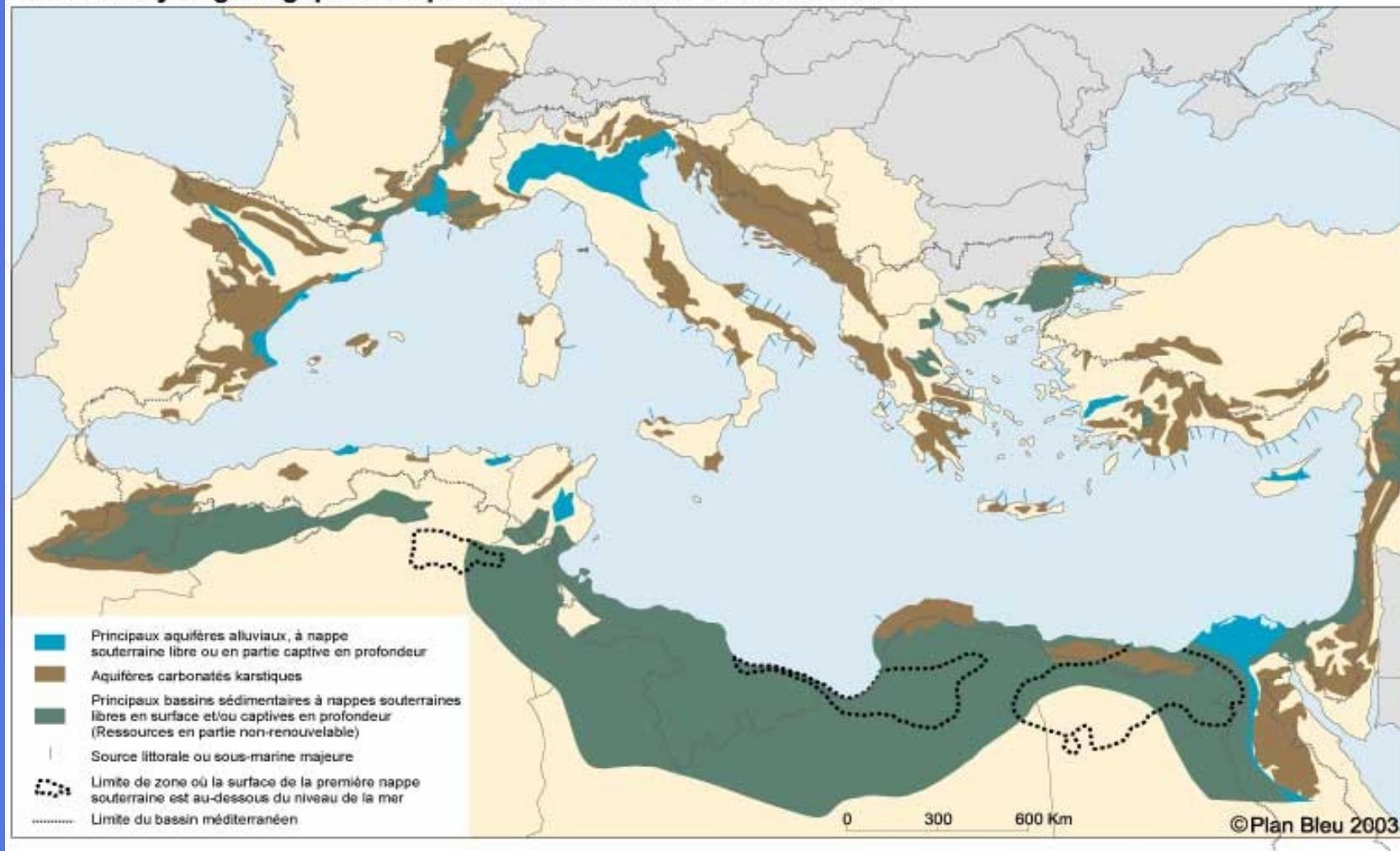
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# MONITORING OF SHARED AQUIFER RESOURCES







## Hydrogeological structures and aquifers in the Mediterranean basin

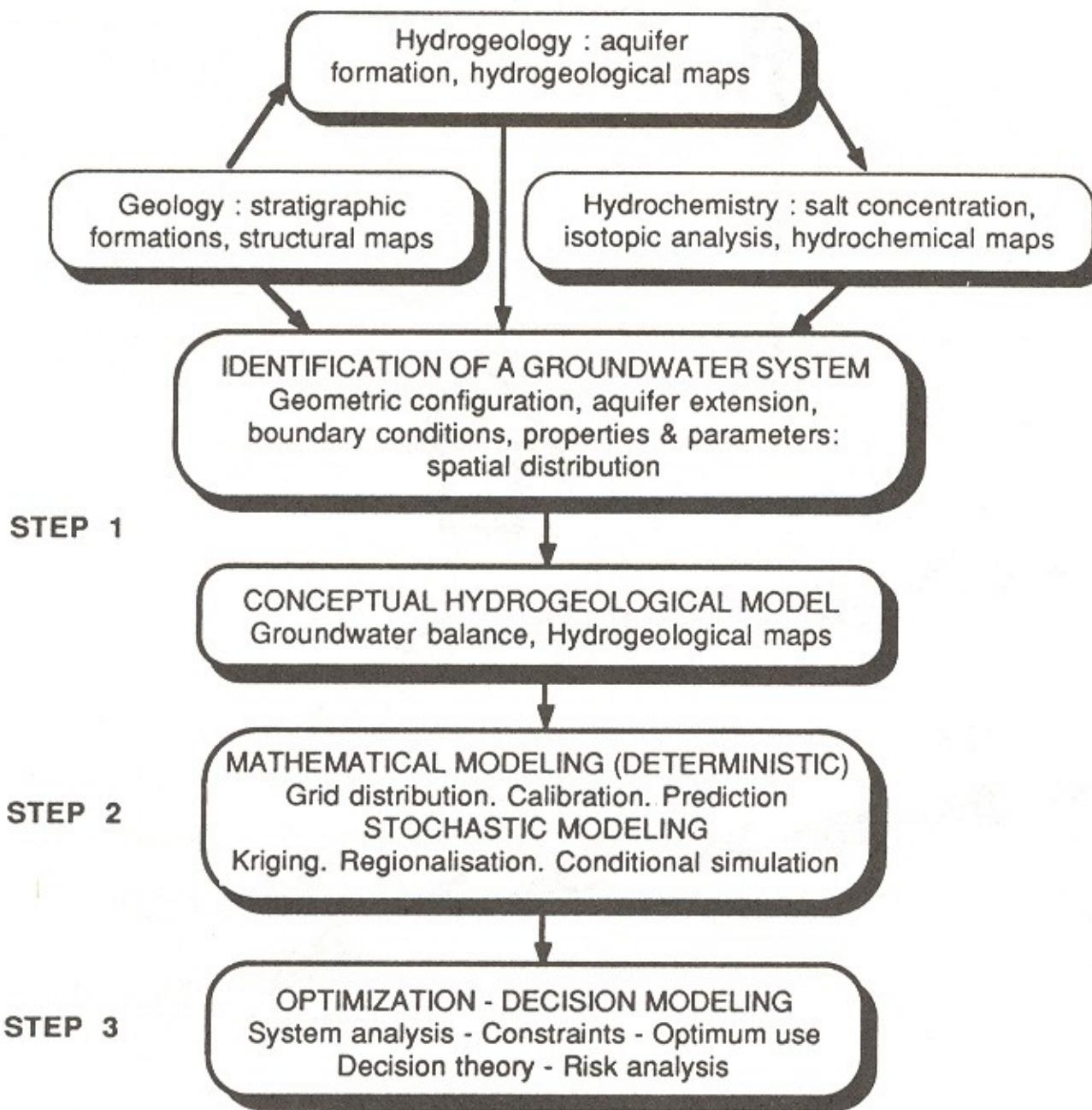
The eastern coast of the Adriatic Sea and also the Levantine sub-basin are characterized by the karst hydrogeology with high infiltration and vulnerability, limited surface runoff with submarine groundwater discharge from karstic aquifers and springs.

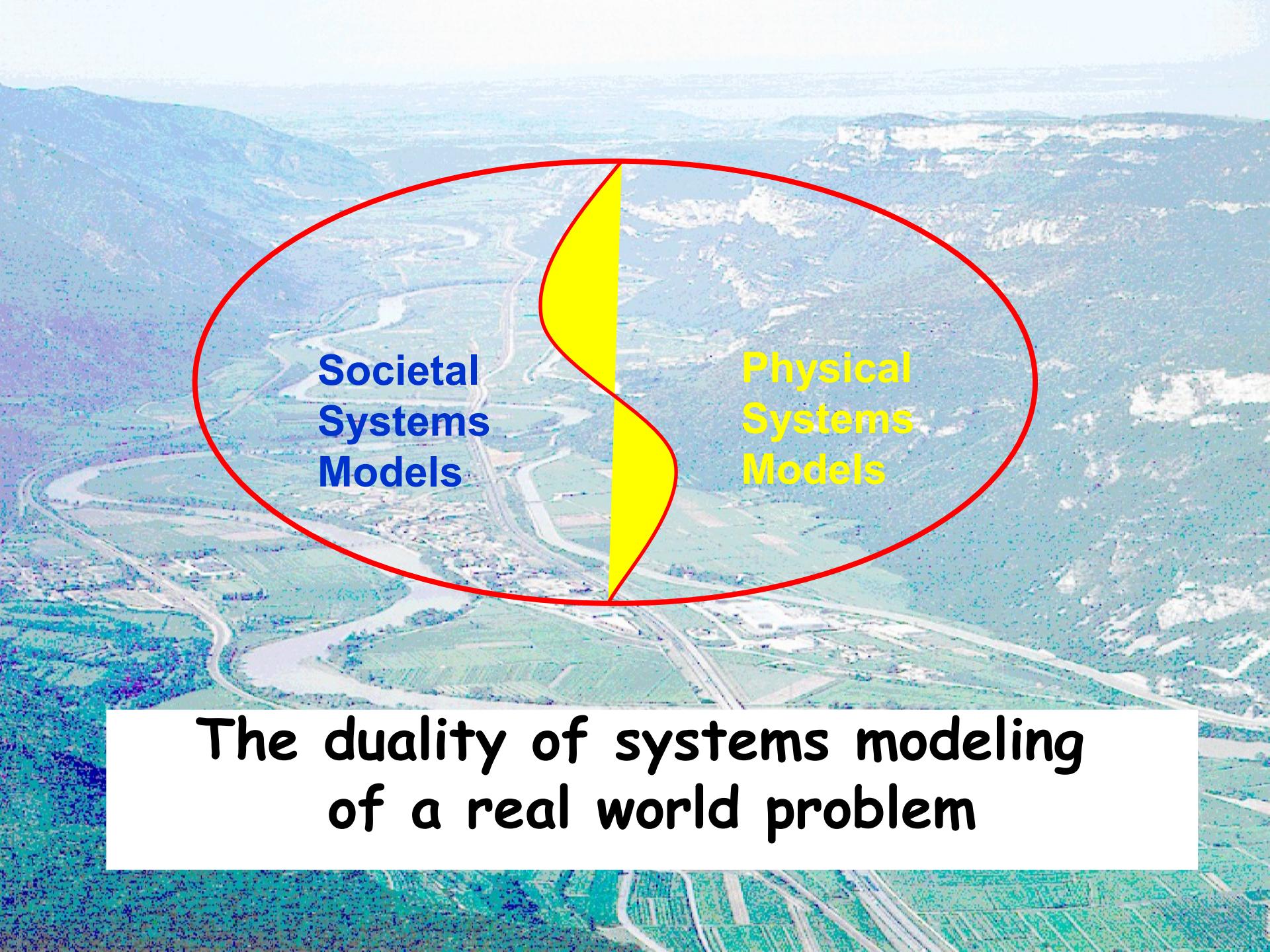


Διαλογικαι αεβεστοδιδηναι περιοχαι  
ως τας πολεας αναπτυσσονται διε-  
τομιδαι. Οδροποδομευτικαι σιναι  
πολεσιου οδοισ.

ΑΝΑΠΤΥΞΙΣ ΤΟΥ ΚΥΡΙΩΤΕΡΟΝ  
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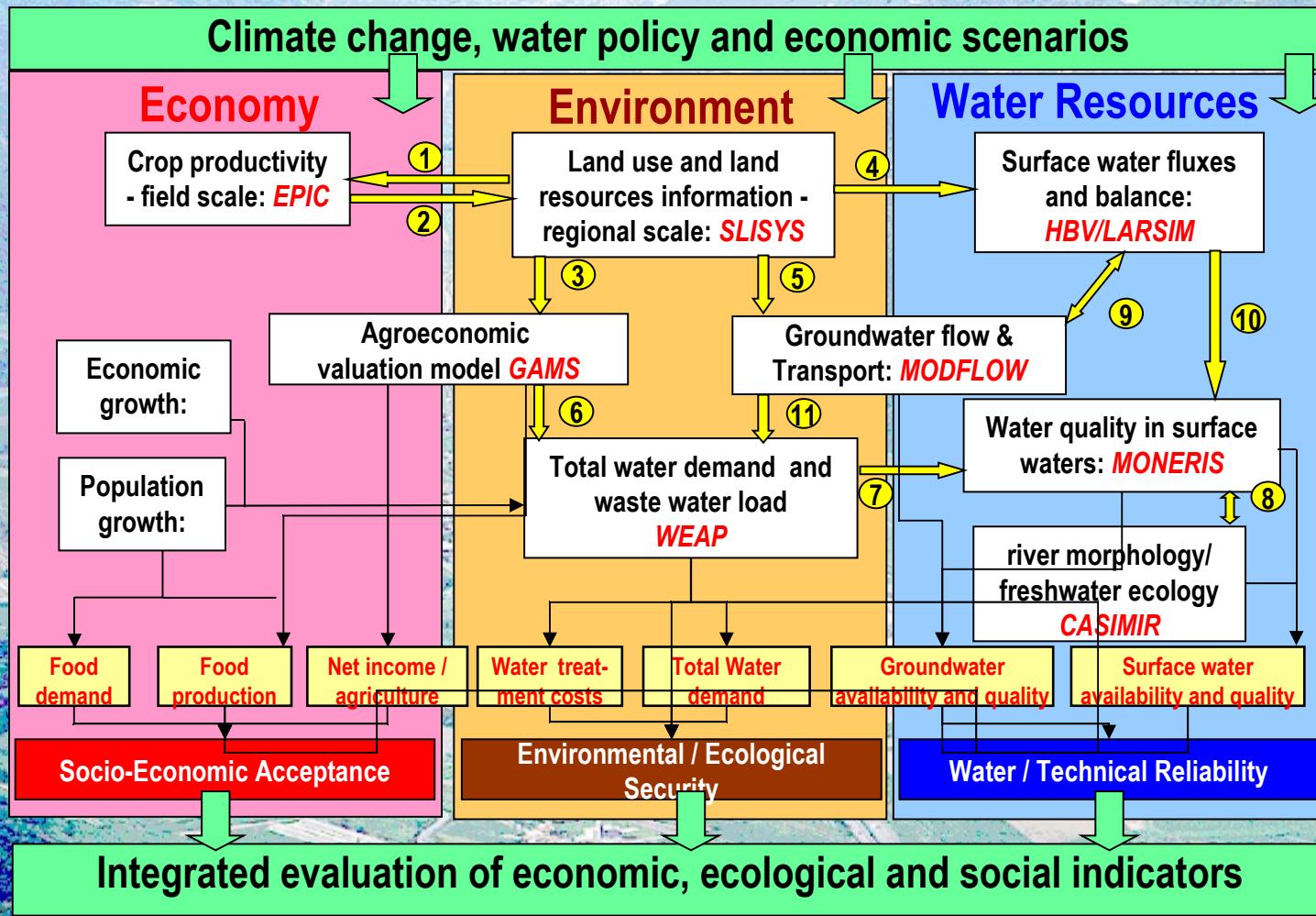
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**The duality of systems modeling  
of a real world problem**

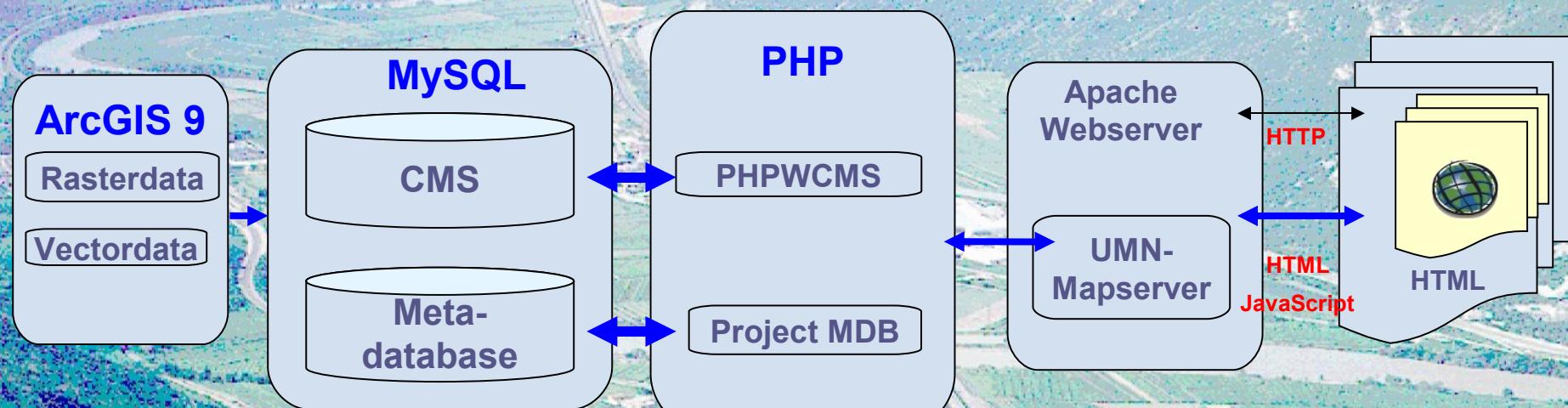
# SUBMODELS FOR IWRM



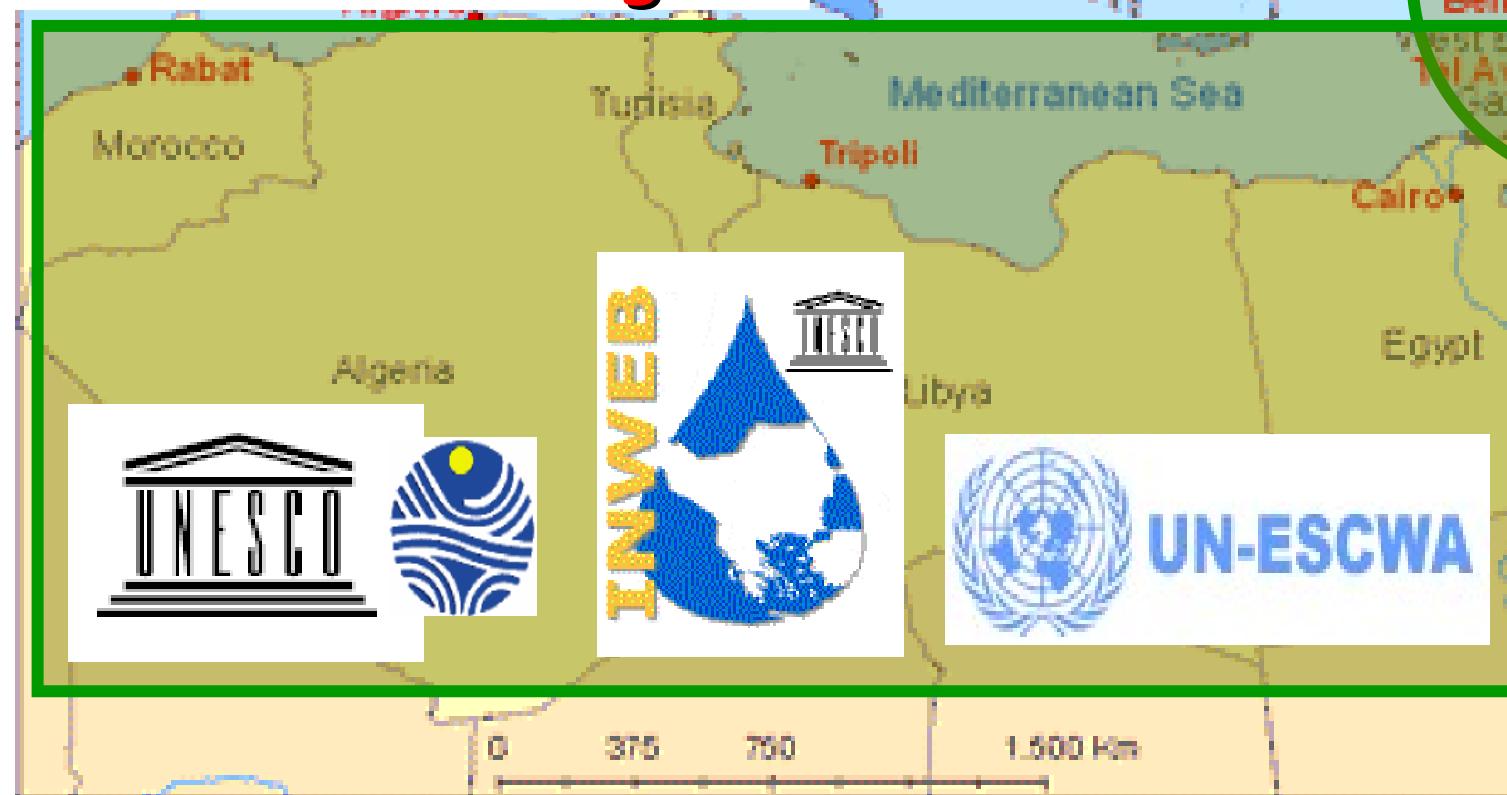
# IMPORTANCE OF RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

DATABASES, MODELING, SCENARIA, ALTERNATIVE  
REMEDIATION PRACTICES, INFORMATION NETWORKS

GIS-DATA      DATABASE      APPLICATIONS      SERVER      CLIENTS  
Browser

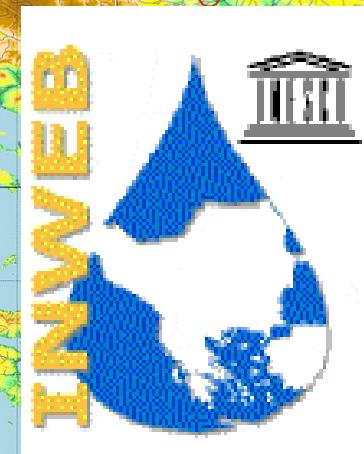
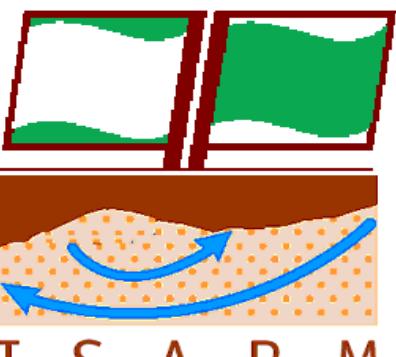


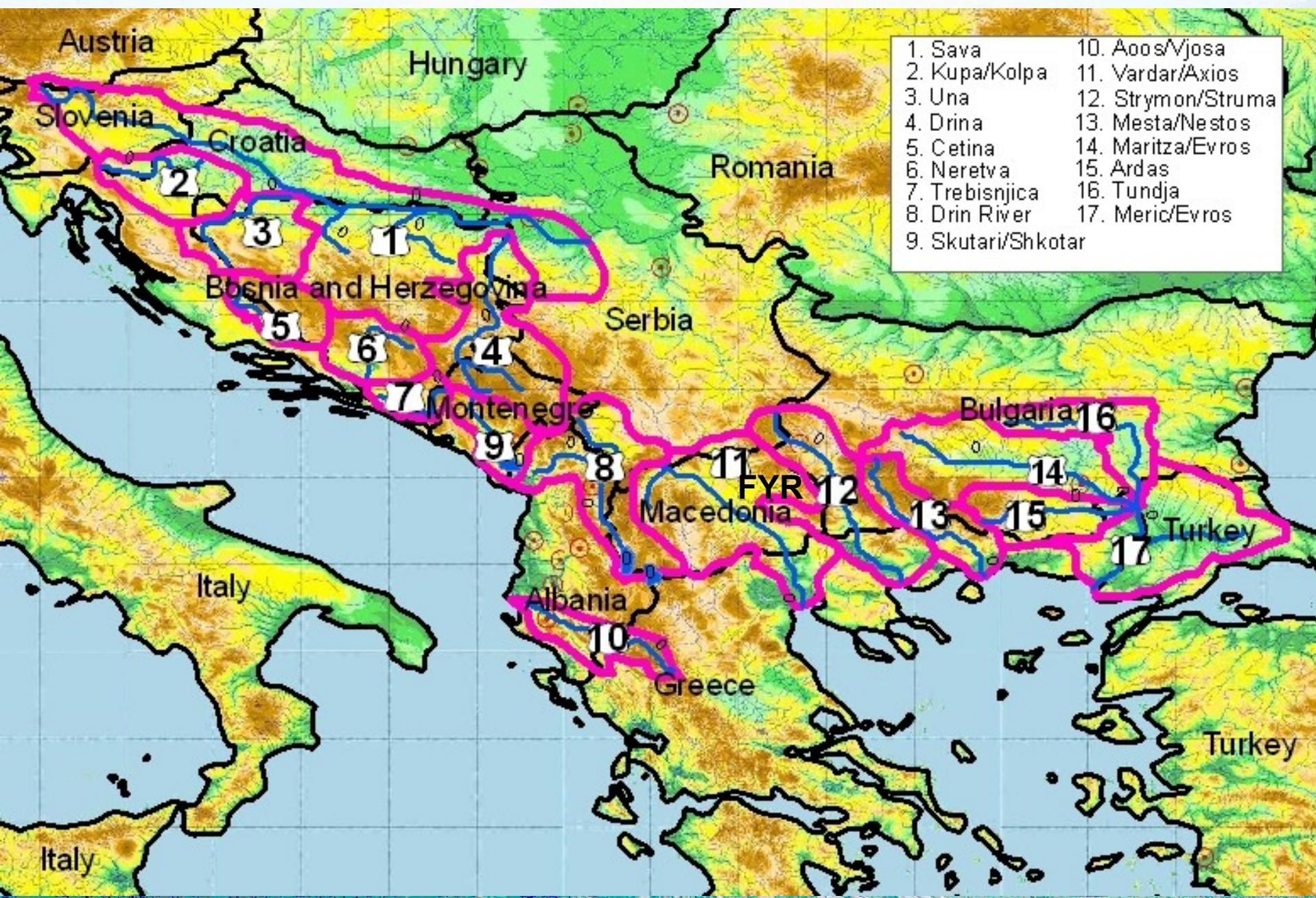
# UNESCO-INWEB shared waters in the Balkans (SEE) shared aquifers database in the MEDA region





***INWEB, Thessaloniki, Greece***

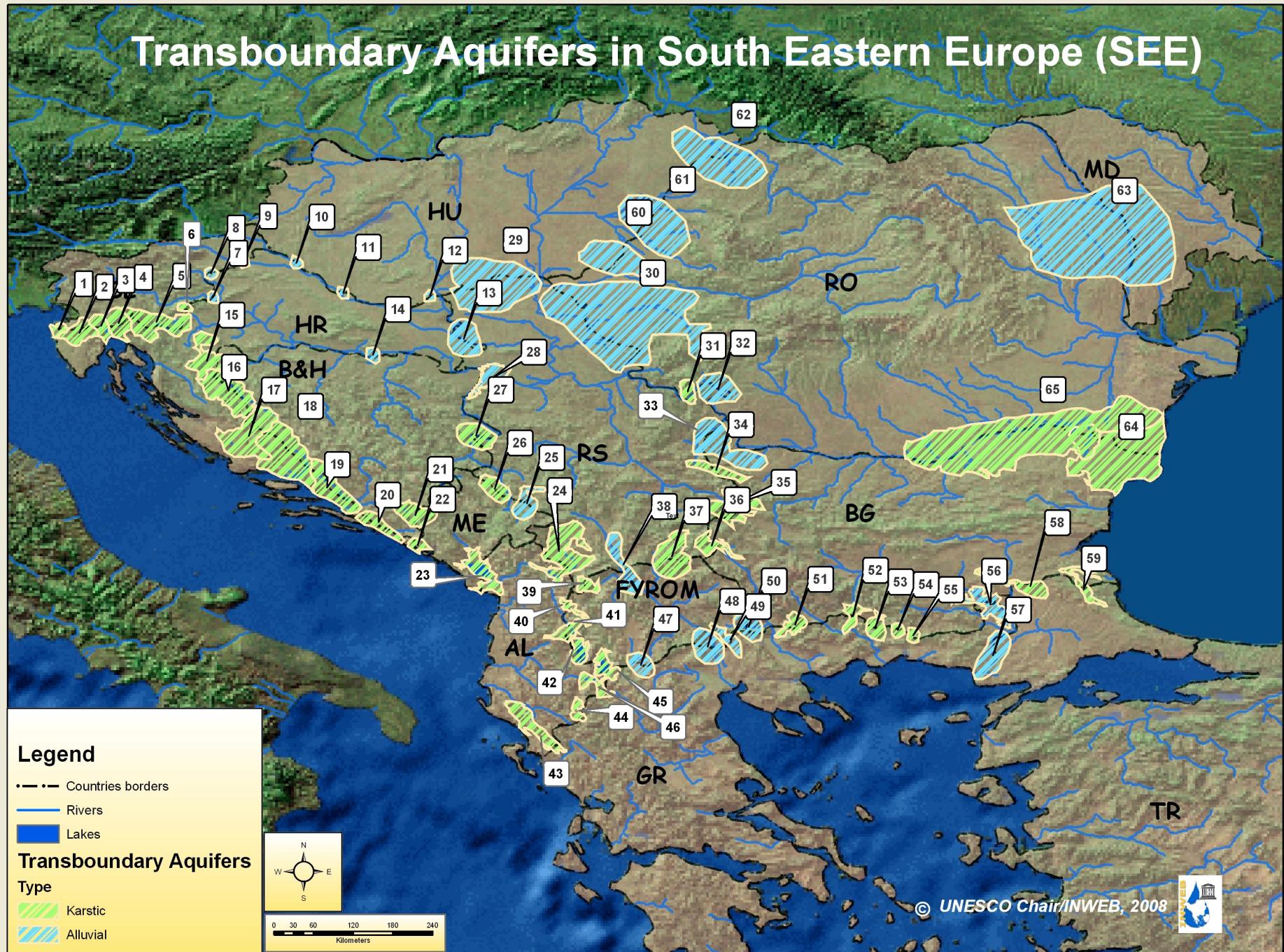




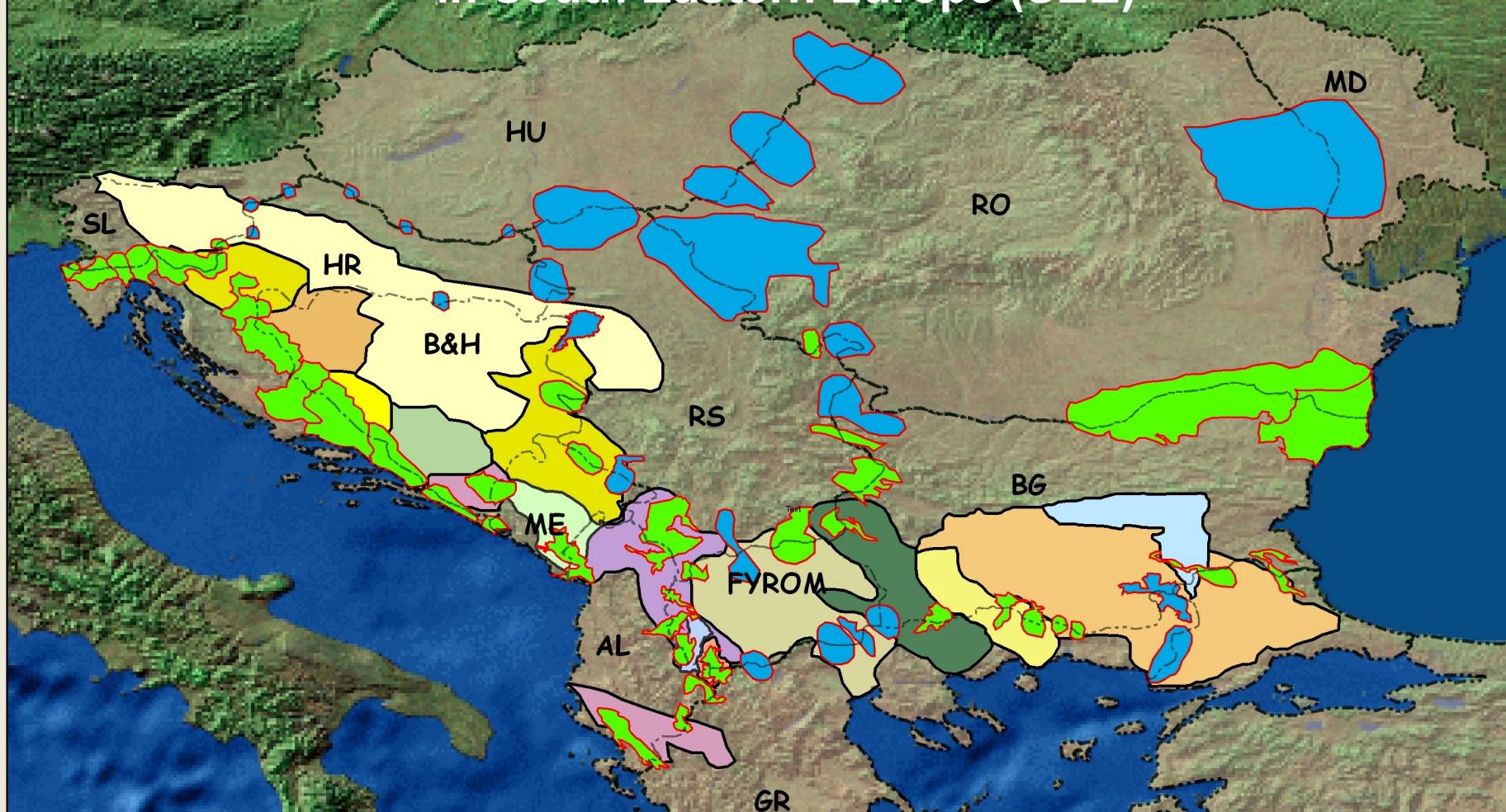
# Sub-Danubian Transboundary River & Lake Basins in the Balkans



# Transboundary Aquifers in South Eastern Europe (SEE)



# Transboundary Surface and Groundwater Bodies in South Eastern Europe (SEE)



## Legend

— Countries borders

Transboundary Aquifers

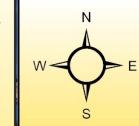
Type

Karstic

Alluvial

Transboundary Lakes

Lake Dojran/Doirani	Cetina	Maritsa/Evros/Ergene	Tundja/Tunka
Lake Ohrid	Drin	Mesta/Nestos	Una
Lake Prespa	Drina	Neretva	Vardar/Axios
Lake Skadar/Shkodra	Kupa/Kolpa	Sava	Vjosa/Aoos
Lake Skadar/Shkodra	Lake Skadar/Shkodra	Struma/Strymon	Trebisnjica

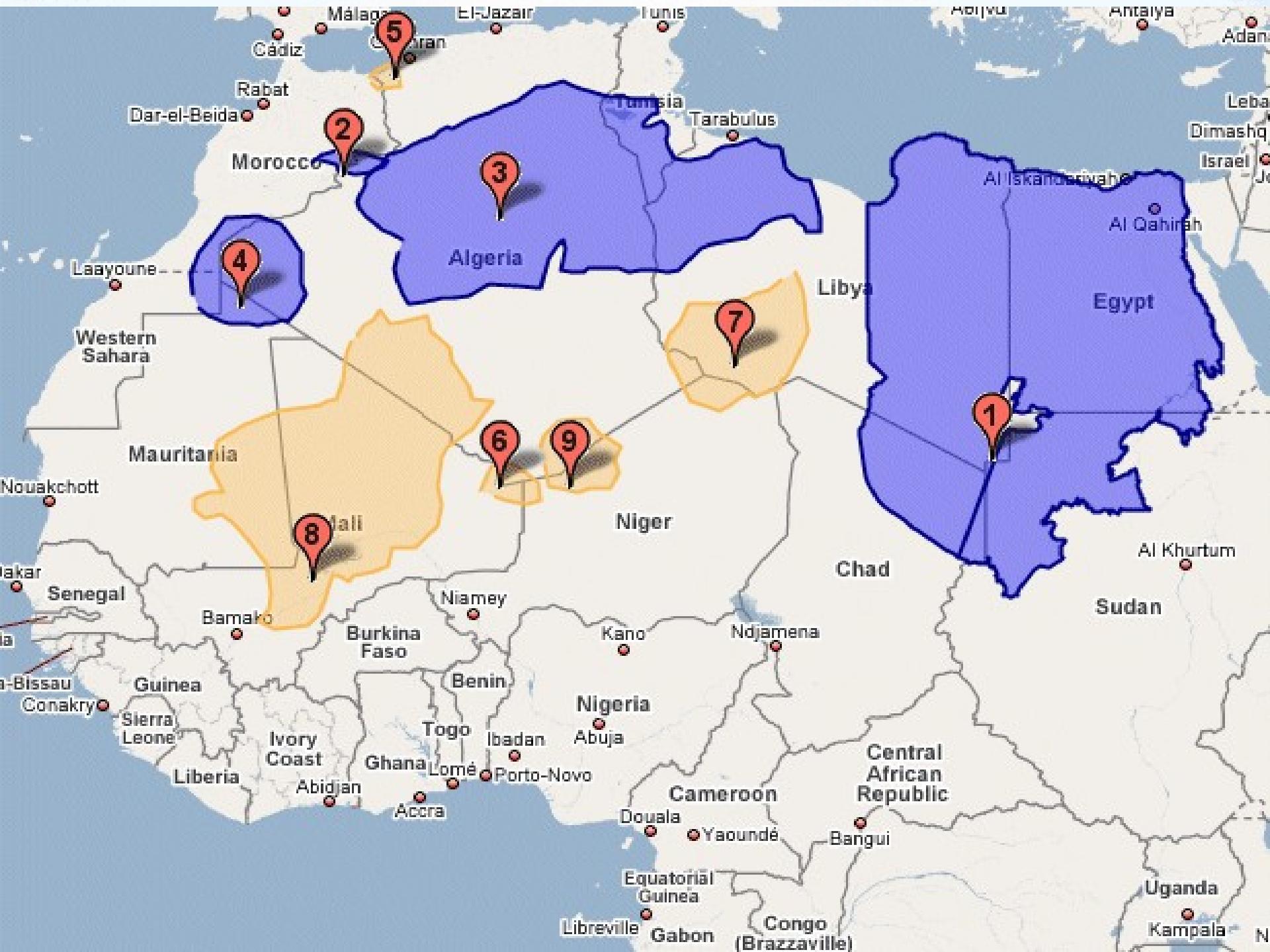


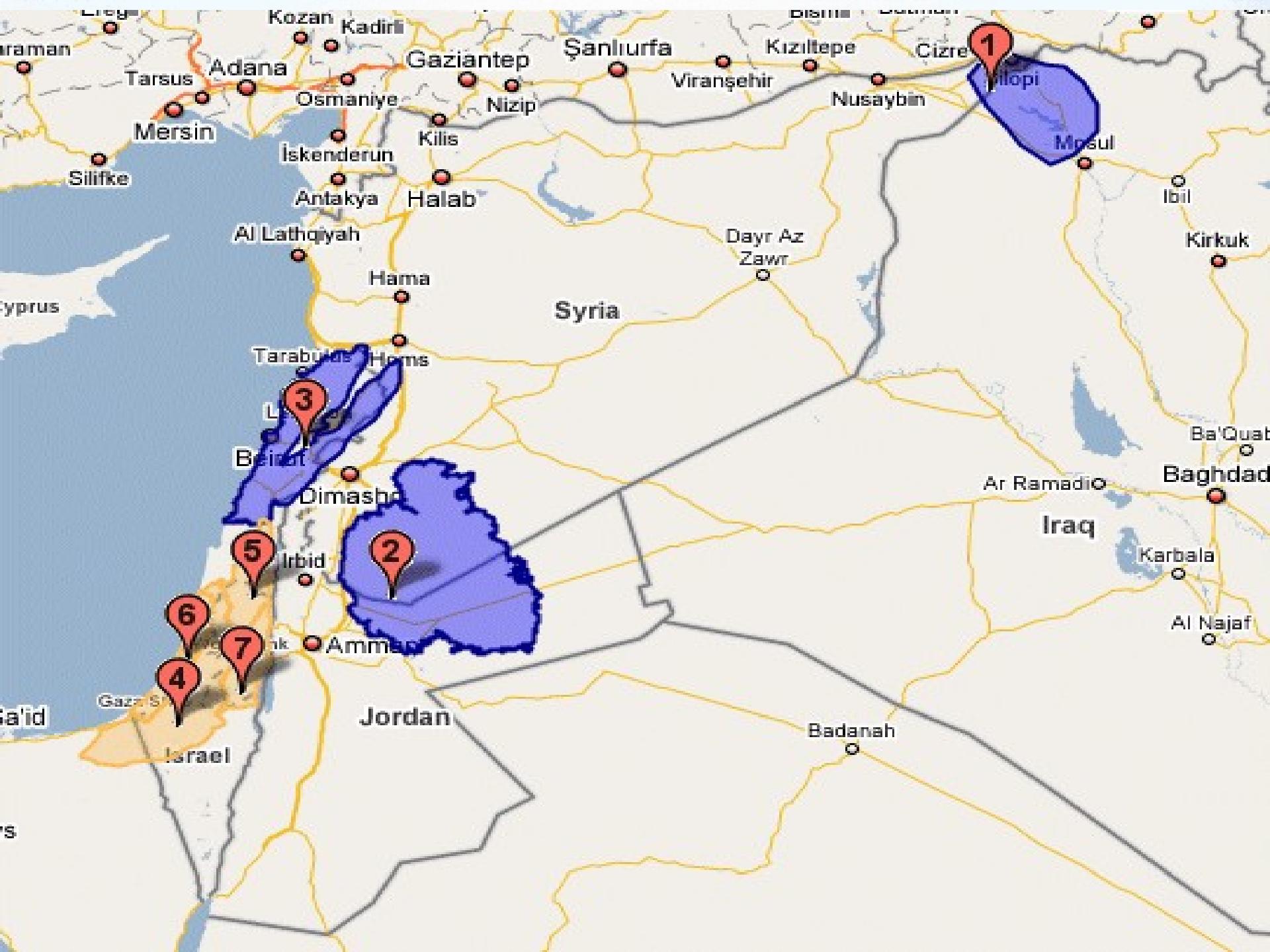
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Kilometers

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**NEW!**

The deadline for the submission of abstracts has been extended to 15th June 2008.

**NEW!**

IV International Symposium on Transboundary Waters Management

Thessaloniki, Greece

15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> October 2008

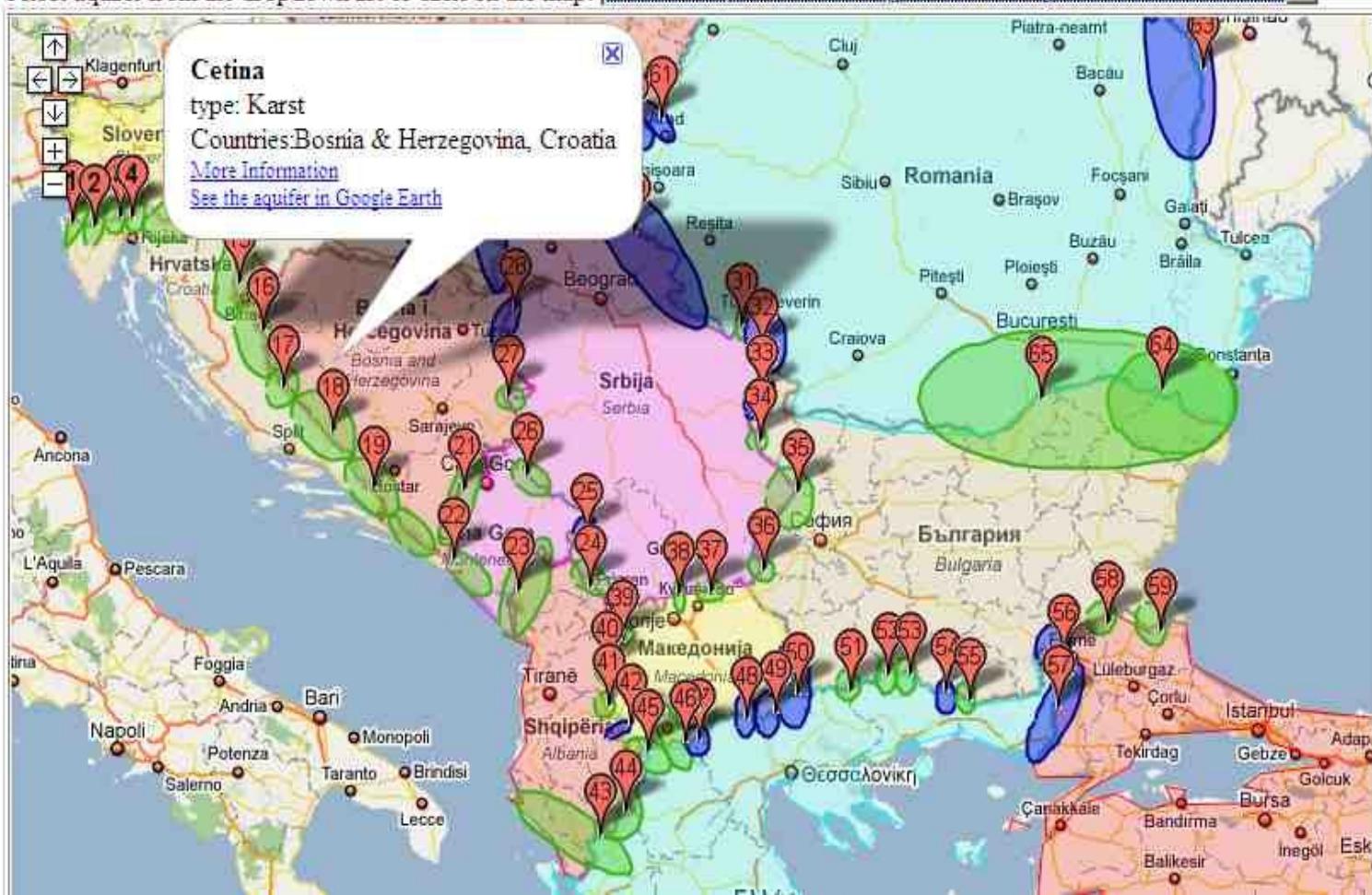
Transboundary Waters Management

Take a virtual tour in Google Earth

See the list of Aquifers

Select aquifer from the dropdown list or click on the map.

18 - Cetina (Bosnia & Herzegovina / Croatia)



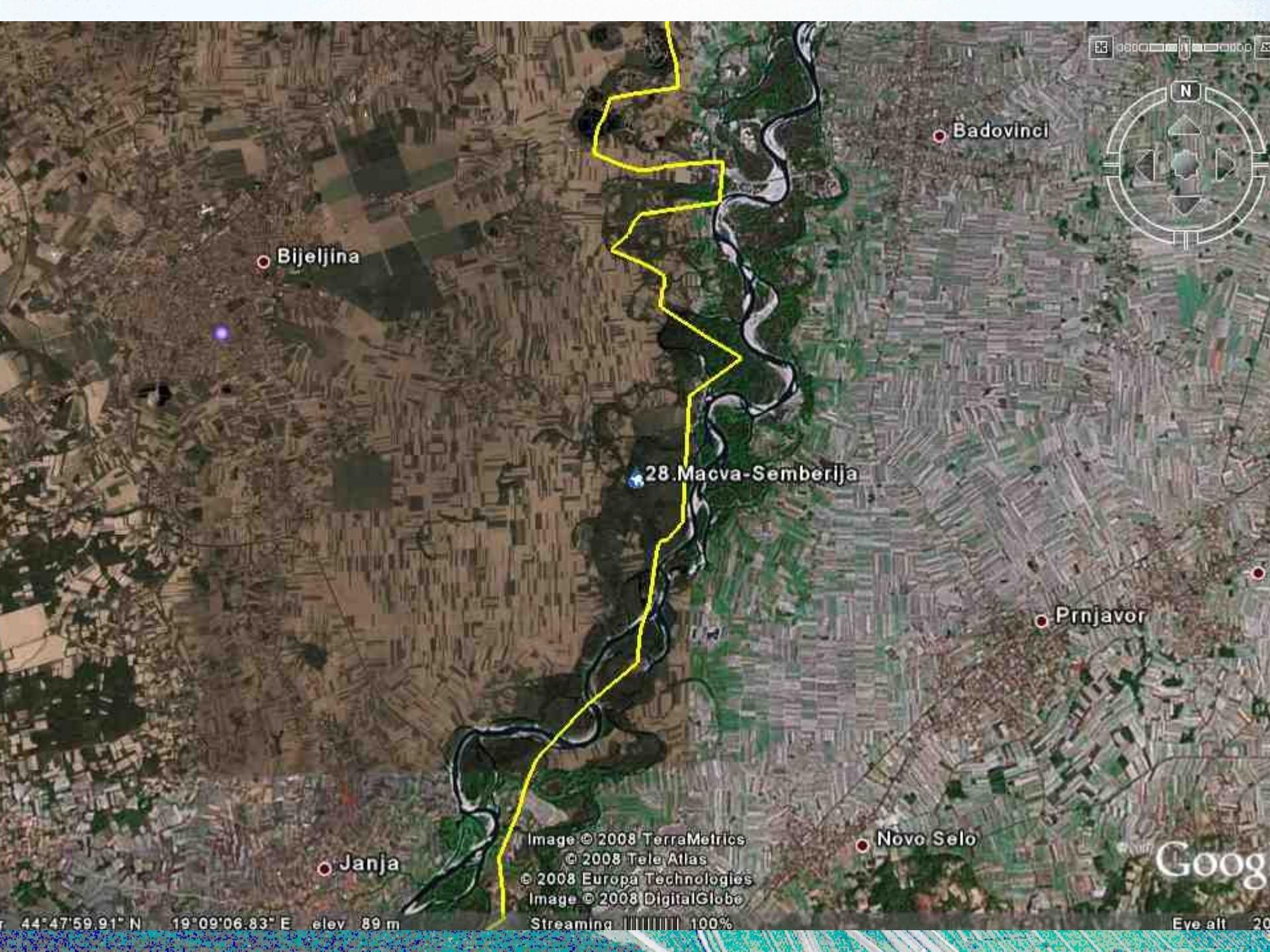


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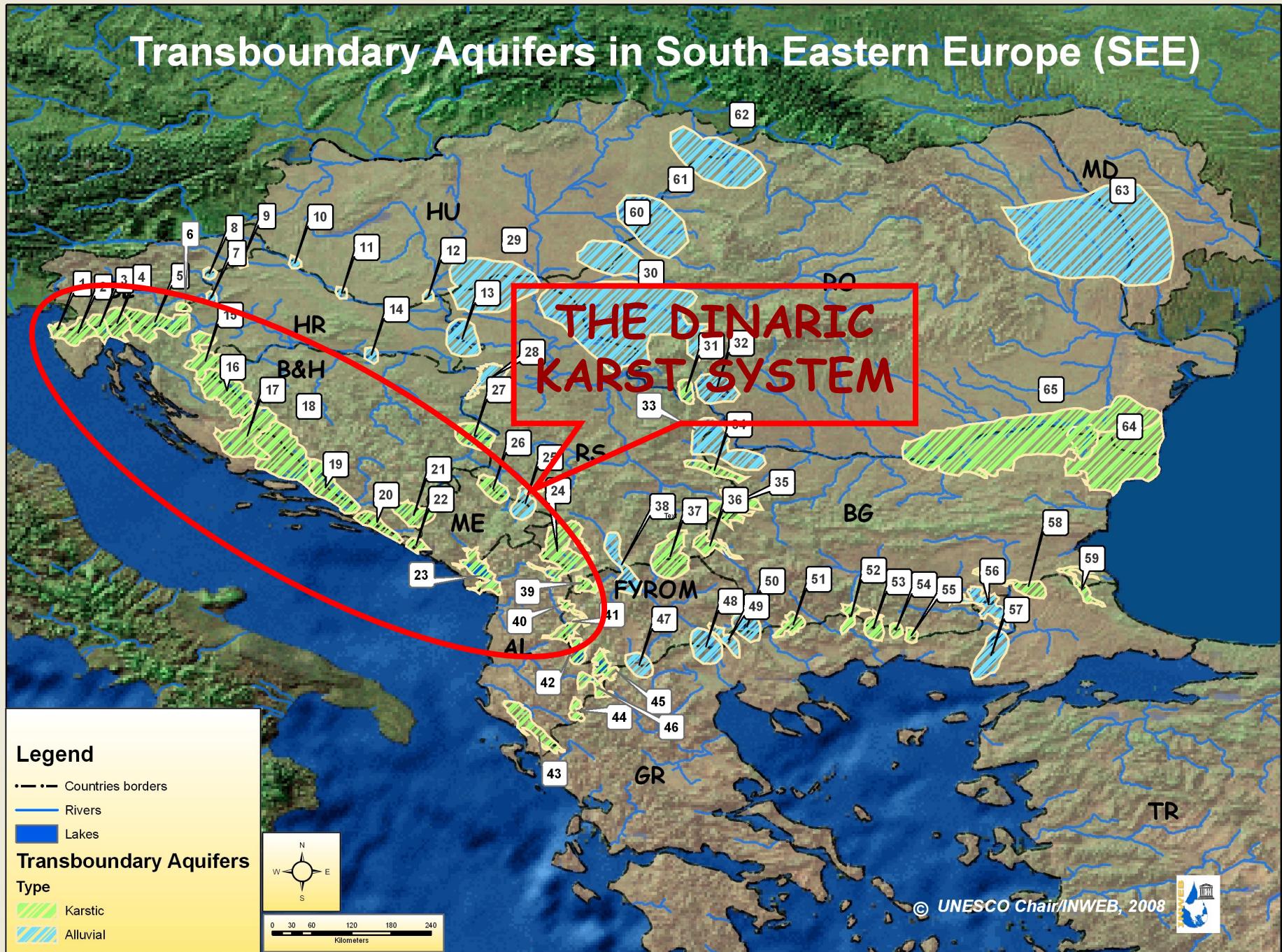
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(Source: FAO/AQUASTAT 2005  
 (National sources compiled by the Plan Bleu  
 (Including non-renewable source extractions  
 (Egypt: of which 4.8 are infiltrations from Nile irrigations (secondary  
 resources)  
 (Israel: of which 0.38 are external (from Cis-Jordan, mountain aquifer)

Country	Renewable internal groundwater recharge Annual averages in km <sup>3</sup> /yr		Portion (%) of total internal renewable water resources		Total current groundwater abstractions (in 2000 or close year) in km <sup>3</sup> /yr	
	Entire country <sup>(1)</sup>	Part of Mediterranean Basin <sup>(2)</sup>	Entire country <sup>(1)</sup>	Part of Mediterranean Basin <sup>(2)</sup>	Entire country <sup>(1)</sup>	Part of Mediterranean Basin <sup>(2)</sup>
Spain	<b>29.9</b>	<b>10.44</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3.27</b>
Italy	<b>43.0</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>
Malta	<b>0.033</b>	<b>0.033</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>~100</b>	<b>0.032</b>	<b>0.032</b>
Croatia	<b>11.0</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>~0.1</b>
FYR of	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Albania	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Greece	<b>10.3</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>3.56</b>	<b>3.56</b>
Cyprus	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>0.166</b>	<b>0.166</b>
Turkey	<b>69.0</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Lebanon	<b>3.2</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>64.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>
Israel	<b>1.07<sup>(5)</sup></b>	<b>0.83<sup>(5)</sup></b>	<b>67</b>	<b>71.4</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>~0.8</b>
Egypt	<b>6.1<sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>~6.0<sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>72</b>	<b>62.5</b>	<b>7.01</b>	<b>6.1</b>
Libya	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>4.08</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Tunisia	<b>1.45</b>	<b>1.15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>~31.1</b>	<b>1.88</b>	<b>1.63</b>
Algeria	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>
Morocco	<b>5.77</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>~20</b>	<b>3.71</b>	<b>0.2</b>

# Transboundary Aquifers in South Eastern Europe (SEE)







# **UNESCO-INWEB**

## ***Main Findings / Main Needs***

- ▶ No priority in the political agenda
- ▶ Transboundary legal agreements on joint water management are still not fully operative, insufficiently implemented or completely missing
- ▶ Local stakeholders are still showing no or very low awareness about environmental issues and impacts of bad water management
- ▶ The water management policy is presently in an intensive reform process (WFD!), with different progress in the Balkan countries (e.g. lack of institutional capacities and of political interest)

A photograph of a serene sunset over a body of water, likely a lake. The sky is a gradient from blue at the top to warm orange and yellow near the horizon. Silhouettes of mountains are visible across the water. In the foreground, there are dense clumps of tall, thin reeds. A small, traditional wooden boat with a dark canopy is moored near the shore on the right side of the frame. The water is calm, reflecting the colors of the sky.

*Eυχαριστώ !*