

Aquarius

- bridging the gaps between science, regulation and practice in water environment management through stakeholder involvement

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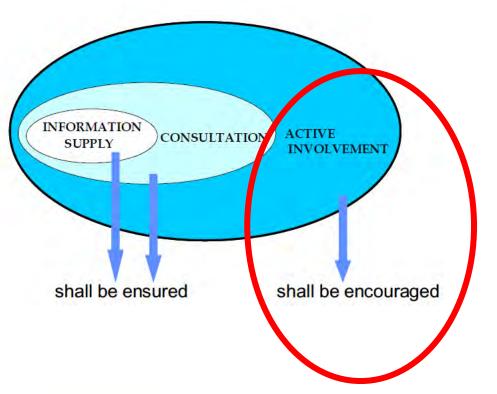
Aquarius - a unique partnership

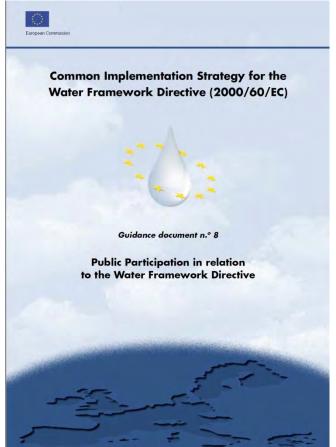
The constellation of 6 countries with representatives from the scientific world, from the national, regional and local authorities, from the agricultural advisors and from the farmers is a cocktail of interesting points of view where many preconceived understandings of matters have been challenged.





Stakeholder involvement important in the WFD - we have made experiments











Work method

- Common starting point a knowledge based foundation
 - Accept different kinds of knowledge is valueable
- Ackknowledgement of the different objectives
- Climate as a tricker since it is seen as a challange for many stakeholders



Analyse on what gaps to bridge in order to create win-win solutions

- Landowners as professional providers of ecosystem services
- A process analysis of the gaps to bridge in order to create win-win solutions in practice
- Case stories on the search for win-win
- A legal analysis of the gaps to bridge in AQUARIUS in order to create win-win solutions in practice (with given regulation etc.)





CASE STORY FROM THE DANISH PILOT





Composition of groups. National group and Lundgaard's Creek Stakeholder Group

National environmental (planning) authorities.

National agricultural advisory service

Water Plans

Phase 2

Phase 3

 Local environmental (implementing) authorities

- Farmers
- Local agricultural advisory service









The Lundgaards Creek group

Primary objective: Show in practice how to do efficient and profitable

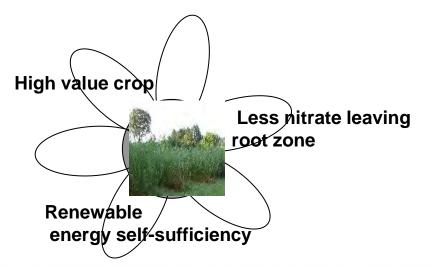
farming that create and sustain 'good water

environment' within the whole catchment area.

Value basis: Work out activities that are mutually beneficial to

the environment, agriculture and the authorities

Mode of operation:







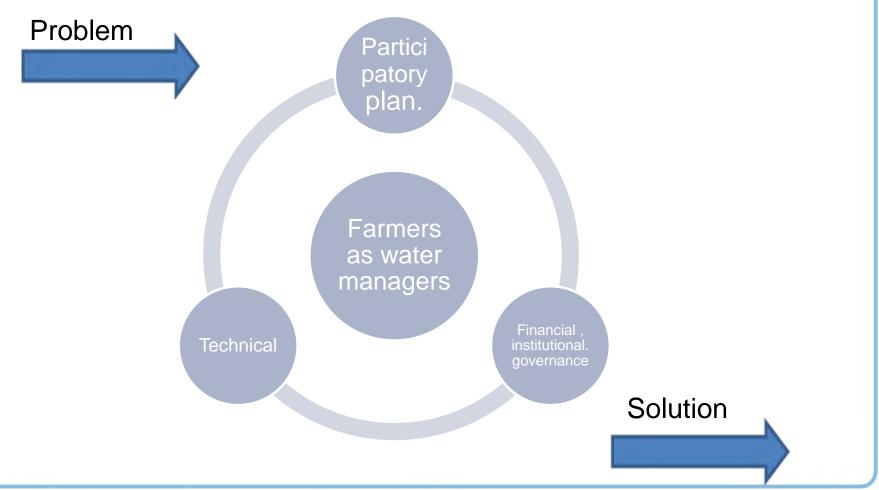








How to find the win-win solutions?









Problem

Bad quality of water in the Mariager Fjord Could willow plantations be a solution?



Partici patory plan.

Farmers as water managers

A group identify how can we gain - seen from different perspectives? For the water environment, for the farmers, energy for local society,

Financial , institutional. governance Making agreements with the central heating company,

Technical solutions?
Mapping, - voulnerable areas, equipment for planting, harvesting, etc.







Only if we have a solutions which functions the wheel will turn and the farmers take positive partin finding solutions

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