Conclusions and next steps

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Session 1 Water data flows converging SoE -review

- WFD SoE alignment country examples show it on its way
- SoE review should be product oriented to guide the reduction and streamlining of parameter
 - reduction of nutrient parameters, additional data on fish in rivers, updating of HS determinants WFD/SoE Add national EQS values and GW thresholds if not reported via the WFD.
- Process of SoE review: no track change document, but revised Data dictionaries with documentation linked to SoE quality fact sheets





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Session 1 on review of SoE data

- EEA/ETC to update Data Dictionaries for streamlining with WFD and Eurostat JQ and comparability across priority data flows
- use of common harmonized code lists, common station dictionary, etc.





Session 2 on restructuring data processing

- Technical developments needed to improve the business process for data flow from NRCs into the EEA common work space
- → suspension of reporting exercise justified to enable these developments
 - Decouple the updating of station data (all spatial data) from the reporting of measurements and update the station information in advance.
 - EEA to accept only data deliveries in XML (not in several formats) and within the cut-off date for delivery, provide quick summary feed back on the automatic QA in the form of smiley feedback
 - More inspire conformant services EEA to develop automatic harvesting of SoE deliveries from the CDR





Session 2 (II)

- EEA to develop a common workspace with all WISE data for EEA, ETC and consultants (WISE/waterbase)
- EEA/ETC to update, simplify and harmonise the Data Dictionaries now and then keep them stable for the coming 5 years.
- EEA/ETC to use standards (ISO) for the update of the Data Dictionaries and use common code lists.





Session 3 on quality fact sheets

- Useful for Country /EEA communication AND for national communication to align regional authorities and WFD/SoE –
- → products, contacts , immediate visualisation of data deliveries → platform
- ETC to prepare country fiches for all 39 EEA countries
- NRCs to support in autumn 2014/early 2015 the ETC actively in improving the quality of the SoE datasets for priority parameters by commenting on the questions listed in the country fiches and by resubmitting improved datasets if necessary.
- proposal for regular updates and decision on publication be finally decided only in 2015





Communication EEA / NRCs / Directives - new NRC structure

- Quality fact sheets and WFD/ SoE alignment request helps the national internal communication
- Problems often due to multitude of institutions on national and regional level
- New NRC structure should further facilitate the communication





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Conclusions, way forward

- Suspension
- Elements of cooperation
 - quality fact sheets
 - Set of products
 - Respective reduced/updated parameter list
- What EEA is asked to do in 2014/2015
 - Quality fact sheets focusing on priority parameters, while specifying parameter list
- Time line:
 - Until end 2014 for priority parameters





Way forward and time line

Until 15.July as note to NFPs and NRCs:

- Suspension of 2014 data delivery (incl. info TCM)
- Next delivery 2015
- Instead → developing clean up and SoE quality fact sheets
 - Planning which countries when (ASAP, october)
 - Planning focus on parameter
 - track system to be put in place on country replies
 - Expected response by NRCs
 - To clarify or/and (up to one week of work)
 - to redeliver (format clarified)

Note will include some request for feedback e.g. preferred timing, contact



