



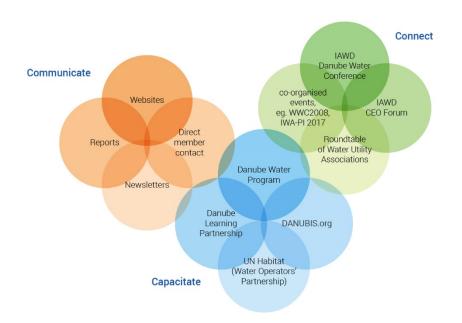
PREPARING UTILITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT PHILIP WELLER IAWD

SMART POLICIES, STRONG UTILITIES, SUSTAINABLE SERVICES

IAWD - THE VOICE OF THE DANUBE



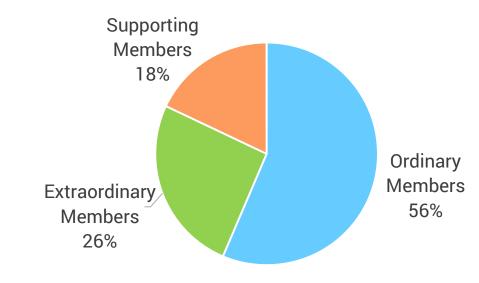
- IAWD communicates with the sector's stakeholders through a variety of printed and online communication tools
- IAWD connects the sector's stakeholders by organizing peer to peer networking events
- IAWD capacitates its members through a broad offer of knowledge sharing initiatives including the Danube Learning Partnership



IAWD - THE VOICE OF THE DANUBE



- IAWD has three types of membership
 - Ordinary Members, i.e. legal entities active in the field of water supply and wastewater management
 - Extraordinary Members, i.e. physical persons and legal entities appropriate to promote the objectives of IAWD through their work
 - Supporting Members, i.e. all physical persons and legal entities who support the activities of IAWD



IAWD - PARTNERSHIPS



- IAWD works with multiple stakeholders in the region
 - ► WB, GIZ and SECO
 - National water utility associations
 - Local Government associations
 - Utilities
 - ► IWA, ICPDR etc.



THE DANUBE WATER PROGRAM



The Program:

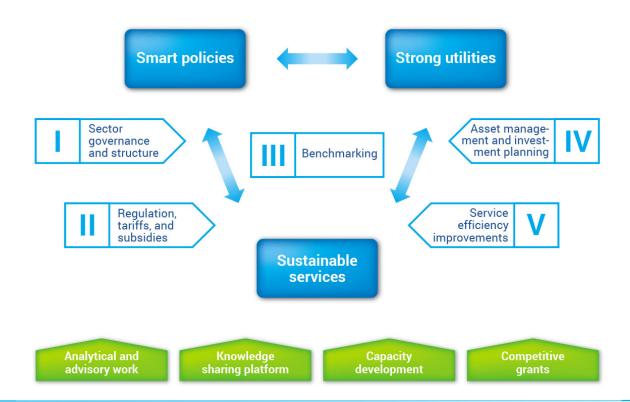
- Fosters a common understanding of the state of the water sector throughout the region;
- Promotes an informed policy dialogue around the core challenges facing the sector;
- Strengthens the technical and managerial capacity of the sector's utilities and institutions.



THE PROGRAM'S FRAMEWORK



The program offers activities in five areas of work (pillars) that fall under four broad categories



THE STATE OF THE SECTOR



- The SoS report is a flagship World Bank product under the DWP and covers 16 countries of the Danube region
- Data Sources:
 - Public data at national/regional level
 - ► EUROSTAT (EU)
 - AQUASTAT (FAO)
 - World Development Indicators (WB) etc.

sos.danubis.org



THE STATE OF THE SECTOR - UPDATE



- General update (16 original countries) with latest data on context, organization of services, access to services, performance of services and financing + identification of trends
 - Three additional focus notes:
 - Utility cost efficiency frontier and financial impact on public budgets
 - Gender balance in water and wastewater utilities and job market effect
 - Water supply and sanitation services in rural areas
 - Final report to be delivered in December 2018



KNOWLEDGE SHARING



Danube Water Conference

- Annual event since 2013
- > 740 participants from > 20 countries
- Offers a platform for regional and cross-disciplinary dialogue on WSS sector challenges and solutions
- Next edition to be held on 2-4 May, 2018 (PLEASE REGISTER NOW TO SECURE A PLACE)





KNOWLEDGE SHARING



DANUBIS.org

- THE interactive knowledge space on water in the Danube region
- Data on 600 utilities from 16 countries over 19 years, plus recent news, events, business opportunities, research etc.
- 1000+ monthly users from 74 countries
- > 200 sector and country resources
- Country Portals for BiH, Bulgaria, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia



DANUBE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP





- D-LeaP is a regional initiative of national water utility associations and IAWD to
 - Act as integrated, sustainable and effective capacity building partnership of water utility associations in the region
 - Offer to participating utilities and sector professionals a comprehensive set of learning and capacity building programs

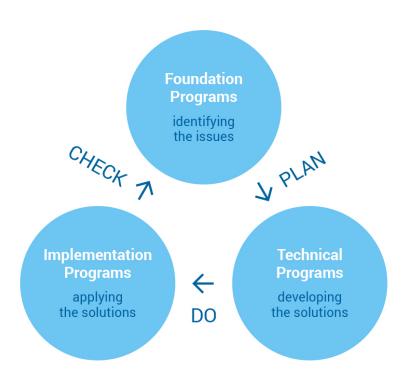
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CAPACITY BUILDING PHILOSOPHY



Programs are

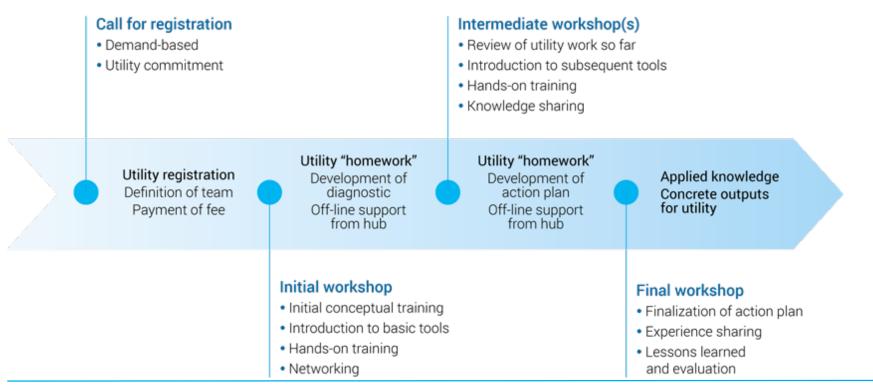
- developed regionally by Technical Partners, which train the local trainers
- and delivered at national level by water utility associations and local partners (the Hubs) in national language
- Continuous Improvement Cycle



THE PROGRAM DESIGN

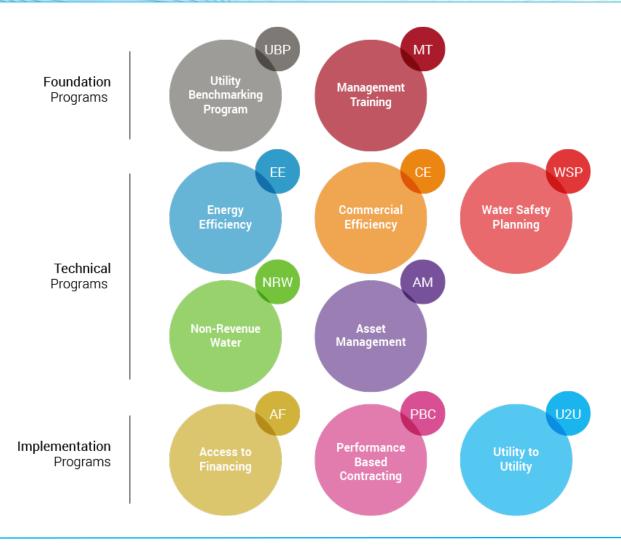


- Mix of face-to-face workshops and on the job training
- Blended Learning approach: face-to-face training is supported by elearning tools offered via D-LeaP Academy



THE PROGRAMS OFFERED





UTILITY BENCHMARKING PROGRAM



- National/subregional Hubs:
 - Bulgaria
 - Kosovo/Albania
 - Ukraine
 - Western Balkan countries
- NEW: regional Danube Hub



Hub coordinators vltr: Aleksandar Krstic (Ex-Yu and Danube Hub), Viktoria Iskova (Ukraine), Nadire Vrtije (Albania and Kosovo), Miroslav Mitkov (Bulgaria)

http://www.d-leap.org/d-leap/the-danube-hub/https://www.facebook.com/TheDanubeHUB/

UTILITY BENCHMARKING PROGRAM



- Utility Benchmarking is the Foundation for Utility improvement
- Program supports utility companies in
 - identifying areas, where performance improvement is needed
 - utilities collect information about themselves and compare the results to several performance indicators from other companies
- Technical Partner: European Benchmarking Cooperation



DWP - POTENTIAL THIRD PHASE



- Evaluation of the DWP was carried out in autumn 2017 and finalized end of the year
 - DWP received positive results and feedback
 - Final decision on potential third phase in summer 2018







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