# Workshop on the Water Framework Directive: challenges and practical aspects of implementation

How French experience could contribute to the evolution of water management in Poland ?

Perspectives for cooperation

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# French Polish Twinning Implementation of the WFD in Poland

Illustrations of activities carried out and results achieved in the twinning

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# Covenant, Subjects, Missions

B1: Economic issues in planning process

B2: Methodological planning issues

E: Improvement of the international co-operation between cross-border water boards

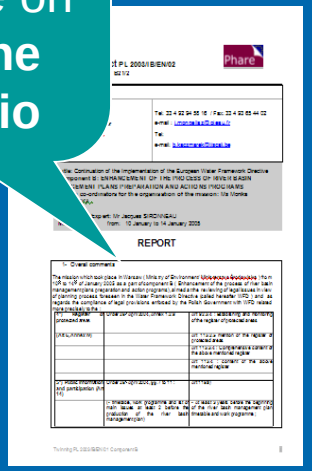
B3: Technical issues

D: process of public participation in elaboration of river basin management plans

C: principle of costs recovery of water services into water pricing policies

# B1: Economic issues in the Planning process

Test on pilot basin and draft guidance on **Baseline scenario**



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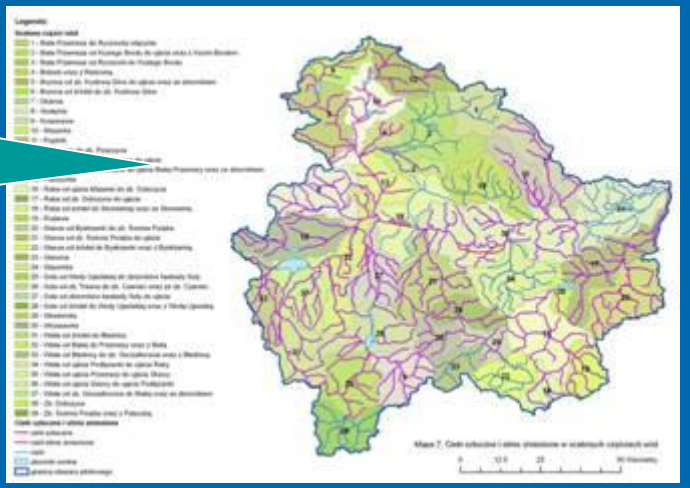
Tests on Pilot basin and draft guidance section on economic approach for **HMWB**



More than 120 man-days of training on planning + seminars and workshops

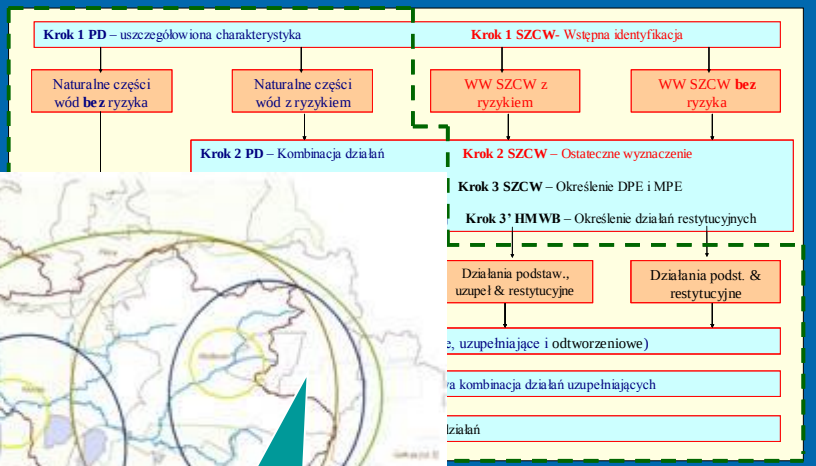
**126 Working days in Poland**

**33 Missions**

**12 Experts**

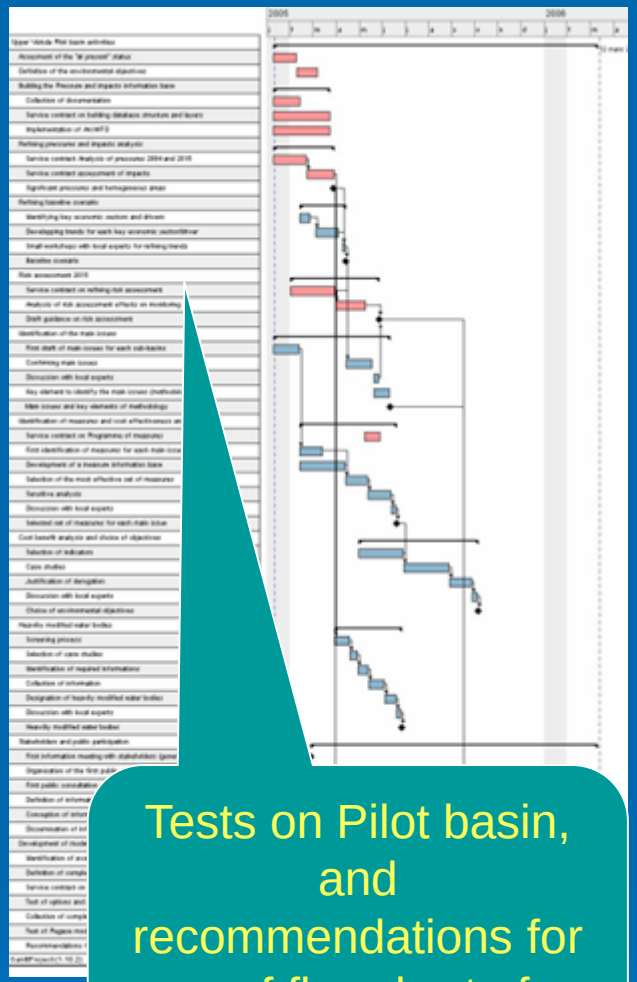
# B1: Economic issues in the Planning process

One training kit on WFD



Tests and guidance on **cost-effectiveness analysis** and elaboration of the programme of measures

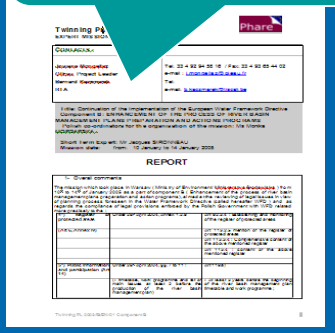
# B2: Methodological issues in the Planning process



Tests on Pilot basin, and recommendations for use of flowcharts for WFD

Tests on Pilot basin and recommendations on the programme of measures and RBMP

Recommendations on legal issues




**159 Working days in Poland**

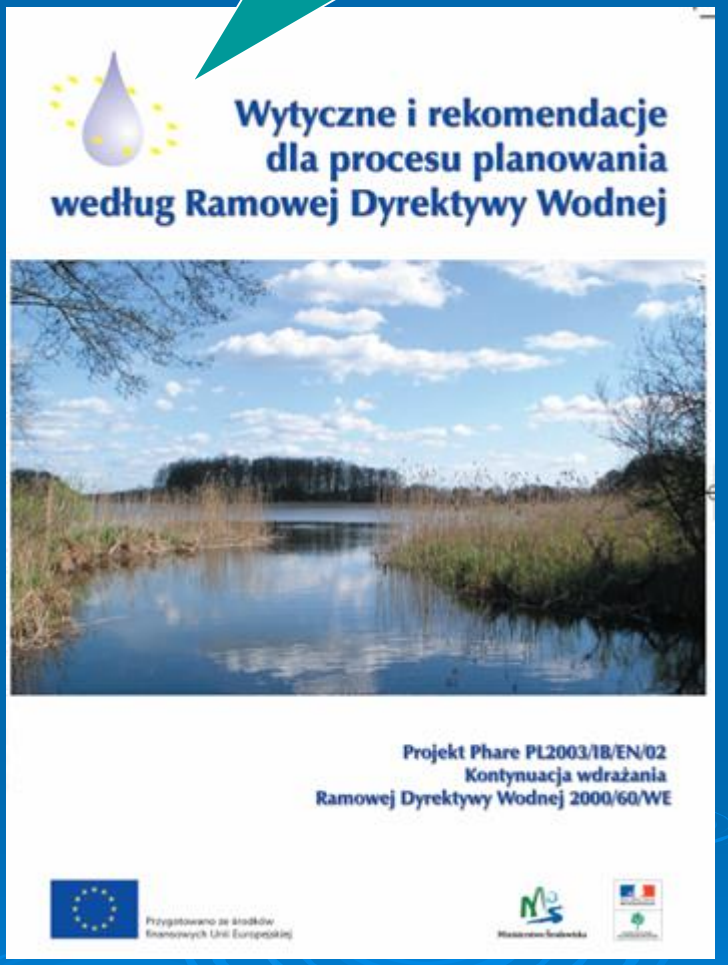
**37 Missions**

**15 Experts**

# B2: Methodological issues in the Planning process

More than 400 man-days of training on planning

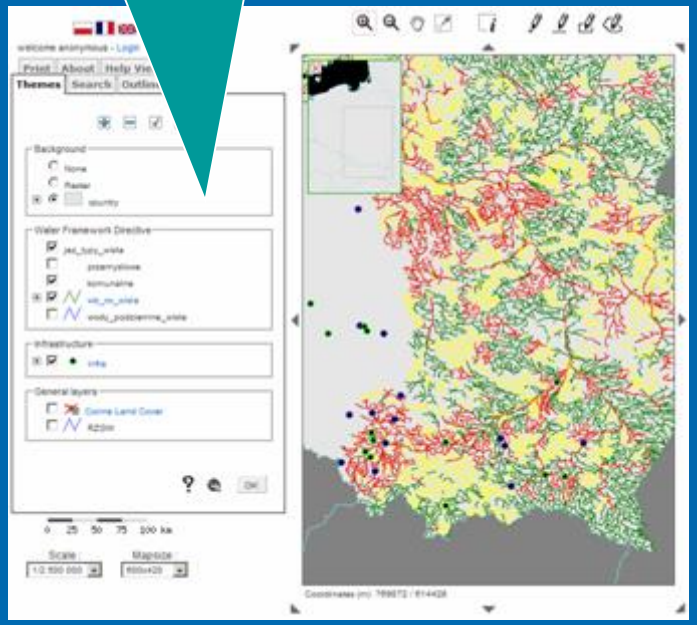
Guidance on overall planning process




Tests on Pilot basins and draft guidance Identification of main water issues

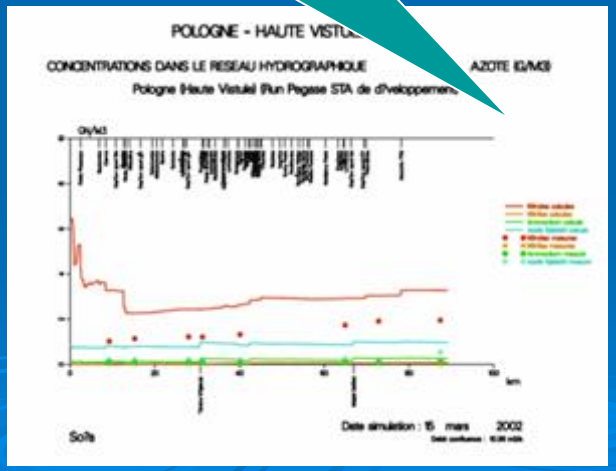
# B3: Technical issues in the Planning process

Tests and recommendations on data management systems



Practical exchanges and recommendations on monitoring

Tests on Pilot basin, and recommendations for use of models




**104 Working days in Poland**

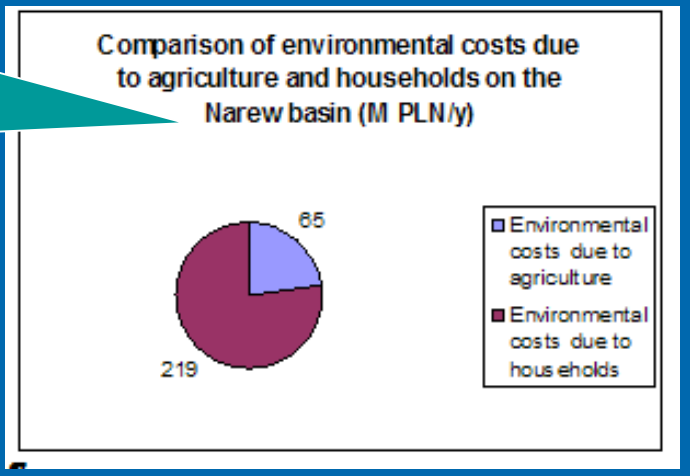
**27 Missions**

**16 Experts**

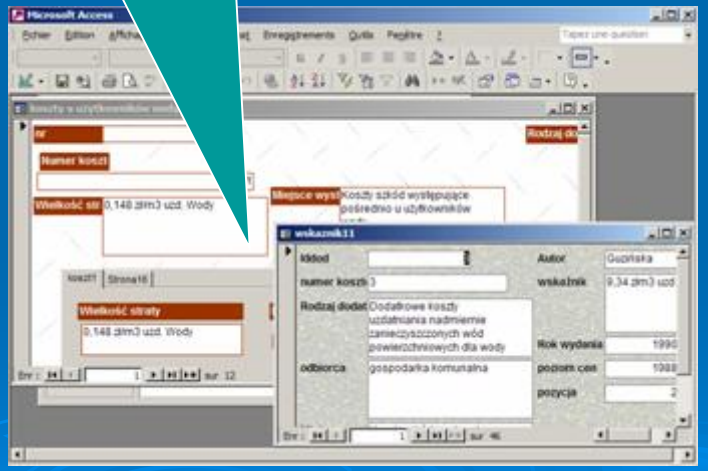
# C: Principle of costs recovery of water services into water pricing policies

Tests in pilot river basin, and recommendations for methodologies

Tests in pilot river basin, Assessing environmental and resources costs




Database on environmental and resources cost



**77 Working days in Poland**

**20 Missions**

**7 Experts**

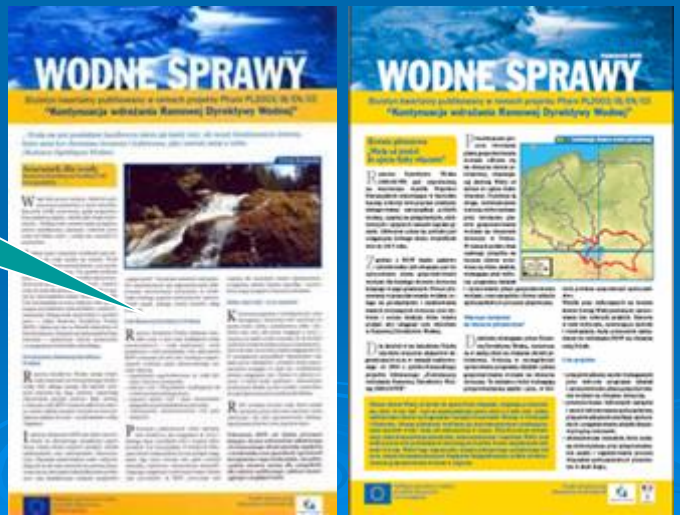
# D: Process of public participation in elaboration of river basin management plans

Extranet and intranet site

Tests in pilot river basin, recommendations on PP tools

**60 Working days in Poland**

Newsletter on WFD implementation

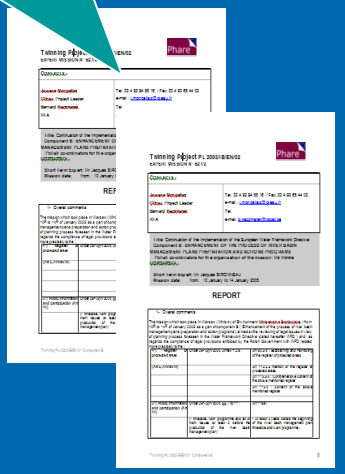



**14 Missions**

**5 Experts**

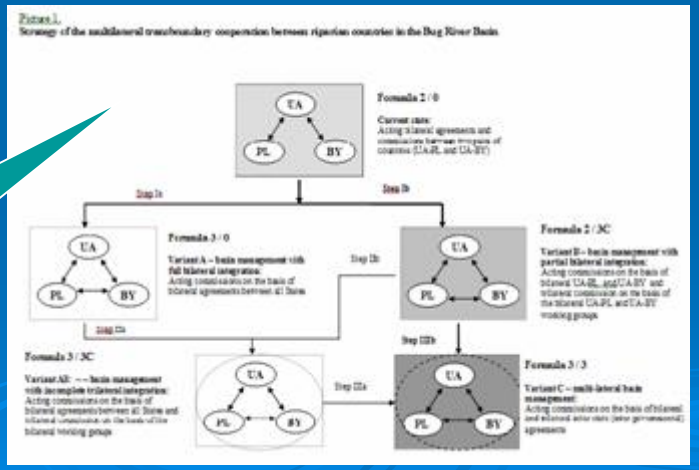
# E: Improvement of the international co-operation between cross-border water boards

Reports on legal aspects related to international basins



Seminars and workshops with participants from Ukraine on international aspects

Recommendations and assistance in international project development




**40 Working days in Poland**

**12 Missions**

**8 Experts**

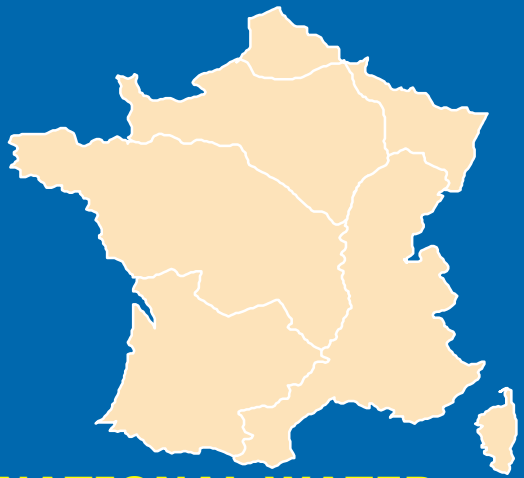
# Cooperation of French Polish Water Agencies

- RZGW Warszawa
- RZGW Krakow
- RZGW Gliwice
- Adour Garonne Water Agency
- Artois Picardie Water Agency
- Seine-Normandy Water Agencies

# 2- Main French water management characteristics

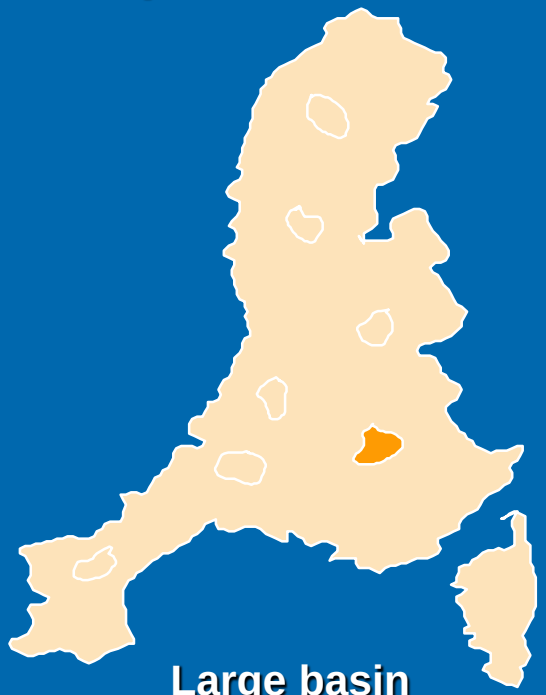
# Concerted water planning at 3 levels

**Multi-year management plans : legal status, elaborated in a concerted way with all users, endorsed by the State representatives**



**NATIONAL WATER COMMITTEE**

**Advice on draft laws, reforms, national action plans**



**Large basin**

**RIVER BASIN COMMITTEE**

**Water Management Master Plan (SDAGE)**

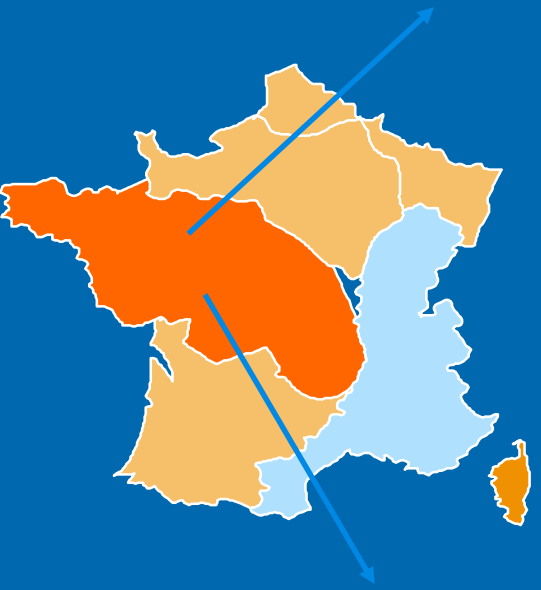
**Sub-basin**

**LOCAL WATER COMMISSION**

**Water Management Plan (SAGE)**

# 6 River Basin Institutions involving users for a participative planning

**6 Basin Committees: "Water Parliaments"**



**6 Water Agencies:**
**prepare RBMP which are voted by the basin committees**

**Collect fees based on polluter pay and user pay principle to co-finance its implementation**

# Strong coordination mechanisms

- Inter-ministerial coordination

  - At national level: Inter-Ministerial Mission for Water under the Prime Minister

  - At local level : inter-services mission for water under the Prefect of Department

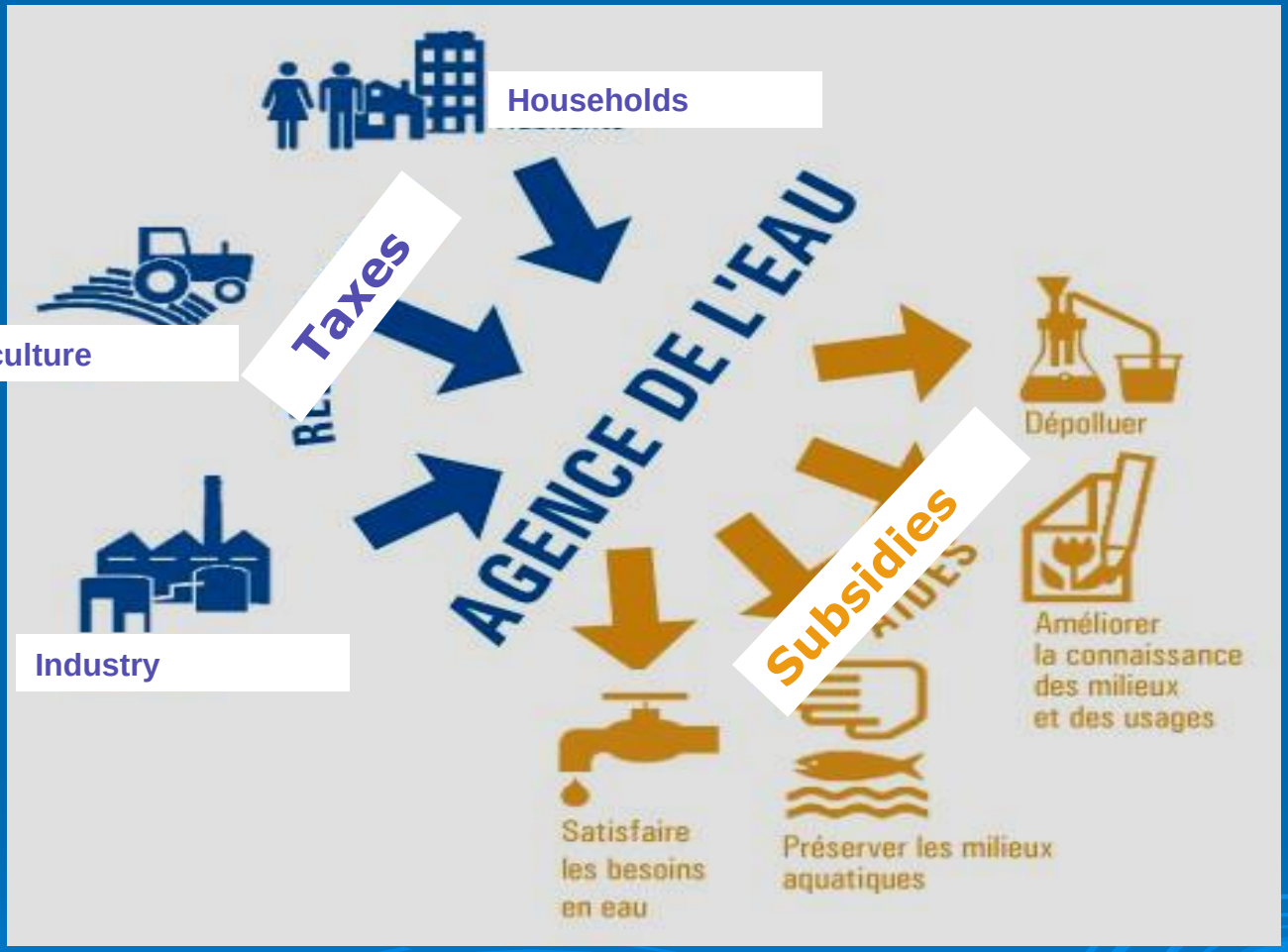
- National Water Committee for Advice on draft laws, reforms, national action plans

+ 6 Basin committees at basin scale

# Experienced « Water Police »/ water permitting system

- Authorization (or not) of activities for abstractions and discharges according to the impacts and the vulnerability of the environment
- Decision made by the local government (Prefect) after coordination between all administrations concerned
- Compliance control with regulations : controllers making reports and sanctions when infringements, penal sanctions by the judge for serious cases

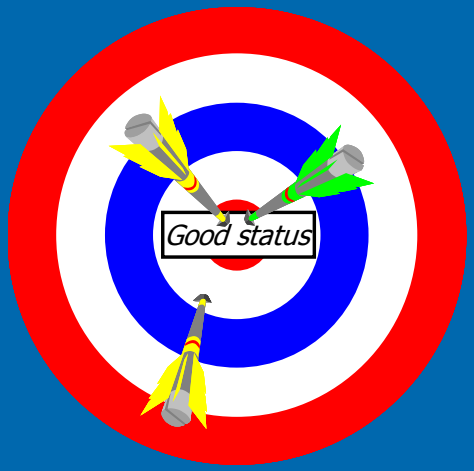
# Financing through Polluter Pays Principle



# 3- Discussion and questions

- What are for you the main needs and topics to be covered by future French-Polish cooperation ?

- What forms of cooperation could we foresee ?

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