



KHI1

#### A Harmonised Research Classification System (HRC-SYS) for groundwater and hydrogeology research – introduction and examples

Klaus Hinsby, GEUS

Chair, Water Resources Expert Group EuroGeoSurveys

#### Slide 1

see comments in the slide comments field below Hinsby, Klaus, 15/09/2015 KHI1



#### KINDRA DELIVERABLE D1.2

### HARMONIZED TERMINOLOGY AND METHODOLOGY FOR GROUNDWATER RESEARCH CLASSIFICATION

#### How to classify groundwater research?

Keywords



Research topics

Societal challenges

**EU** policies

Actions

Other ????

#### Extract from summary

The present document details the final terminology and classification methodology on groundwater R&D results and activities with keywords derived from EU directives and 20 scientific journals publishing groundwater research with high impact factors.

#### Table of contents:

1. Executive Summary	page 4			
<ol><li>Review of previous and current international projects related to groundwater research classification schemes</li></ol>				
3. Selection of keywords for classification	page 8			
3.1 Identification of relevant keywords from the Water Framework and Grounds Directives and the Blueprint to Safeguard Europe's Water Resources	water page 8			
3.2 Identification of most common keywords selected from scientific journals	page 10			
3.3 Merged list of keywords identified in EU policy documents and scientific jour	rnals page 13			
4. Definition of overarching themes, activities and topics	page 14			
4.1 Using societal challenges of Horizon 2020 as main themes	page 14			
4.2 Identifying main activities / operational actions from selected keywords	page 16			
4.3 Identifying main groups of research topics	page 18			
5. Grouping of merged keyword list in main themes, activities and topics	page 21			
5.1 Grouping of keywords into sub-levels of Operational Actions (OA) and				
Research Topics (RT)	page 22			
6. Final proposal for a groundwater research classification system, HRC – SYS	page 26			

### Ch3: Selection of keywords for classification

Main sources for keywords selection:

- 1. 20 key groundwater science journals
- 2. Scopus / Web of Science / Google Scholar
- 3. EU policy documents (Water Framework and Groundwater directives, Blueprint to Safeguard Europe's Water Resources)

### Ch3: Selection of keywords for classification

(based on keywords from journals, WFD, GWD and Blueprint to safeguard European Water Resources):

Table 5.2: List of keywords from Scientific Journals and their grouping.

TOPICS GW badies		THEMES Agriculture	1308	ACTIVITIES  Quality assessment	
Alluvium aquifers	.58	Climate		Laboratory experiments	1377
Aquifer	6462	Arid regions	898	Hydrochemistry	468
Aquitard	192	Climate change	4529	Vulnerability mapping	173
Carbonate rocks	321	Hydrologic cycle	320	Monitoring	
Artesian waters	66	Infiltration	2425	Groundwater monitoring	1455
Flow regime	1264	Health	2665	Modeling	
Crystalline rocks	225	Drinking water	2538	Analytical solutions	1127
Fracture rocks	793	Urban areas		Hydrochemical modeling	250
Geomorphology	320	Artificial recharge	241	Numerical modeling	3659
Groundwater	9741	Developing countries	498	Scale effects	2972
Groundwater flow	5101	Groundwater recharge	2384	Conceptual models	1392
Heterogeneity	1843	Landfills	445	GW budget	
Hydraulic properties	1534	Urban groundwater	449	Assessment	5994
Island hydrology	76	Waste disposal	398	Water budget	941
Karst	761	Water supply	2269	Policy	
Paleohydrology	27	Yield	3284	Groundwater management	1863
Permeability	1661	Mining	1521	Legislation	170
Saturation	1368	Compaction	183	Organizations	487
Volcanic aquifer	126	Subsidence	228		
Vulnerability/protection	0.000	Ecology	547		
Aquifer vulnerability	297				
Groundwater protection	346				

### Ch3. Selection of keywords - Web of science assessment of most popular groundwater reseach topics:

KINDRA D1.1\_vA <Initial Proposal for a Harmonized Terminology and Methodology>

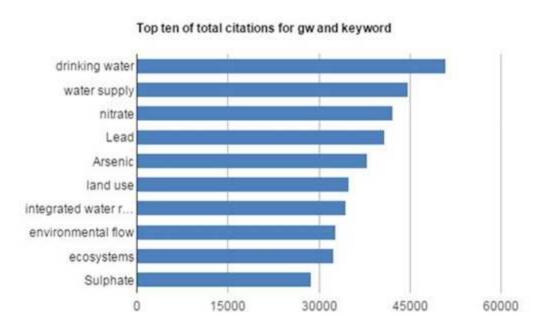


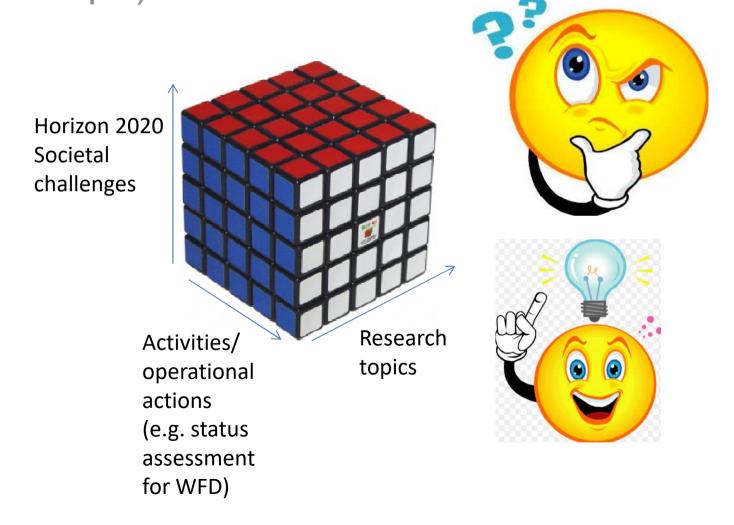
Figure 3.3.2: Top ten of keywords sorted by total citations for TS=groundwater and keyword.

### Ch3: Merged and grouped list of selected keywords

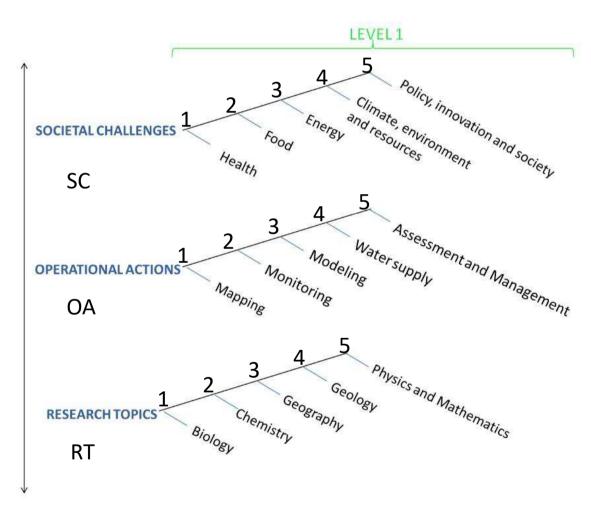
Grouping of >200 keywords selected from peer reviewed journals and EU policy documents:

		Research Topics	
11	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
	Ecosystem	Aquatic ecosystem	Stygofauna
		Terrestrial ecosystem	Wetland
		Dependent ecosystem	Wetland
	Ecology		
Biology	Ecohydrology	e-flow OR ecological flow OR environmental flo	ow
2.0.08,			Microbial processes
			Biological status
	Ecotoxicology	Status	Chemical status
			Ecological status
			Quantitative status
Human to	Human toxicology	Human health	
		Contamination	
			Nitrate
			Ammonium
			Arsenic
			Cadmium
			Chloride
			Lead OR Pb
Chemistry			Radon
			Mercury
	Geochemistry	Natural background or Pollution	Sulphate or Sulfate
			Metals OR "Heavy metals"
			Pesticide
			Pharmaceutical
			Emerging contaminants
			Chlorinated Hydrocarbons
			Tetrachloroethylene OR Perchloroethylene OR PC
			Trichloroanisole OR TCA
			Trichloroethylene Or TCE
			Deterioration

How to classify groundwater research (in Europe)?



# Definition of main categories for groundwater research classification

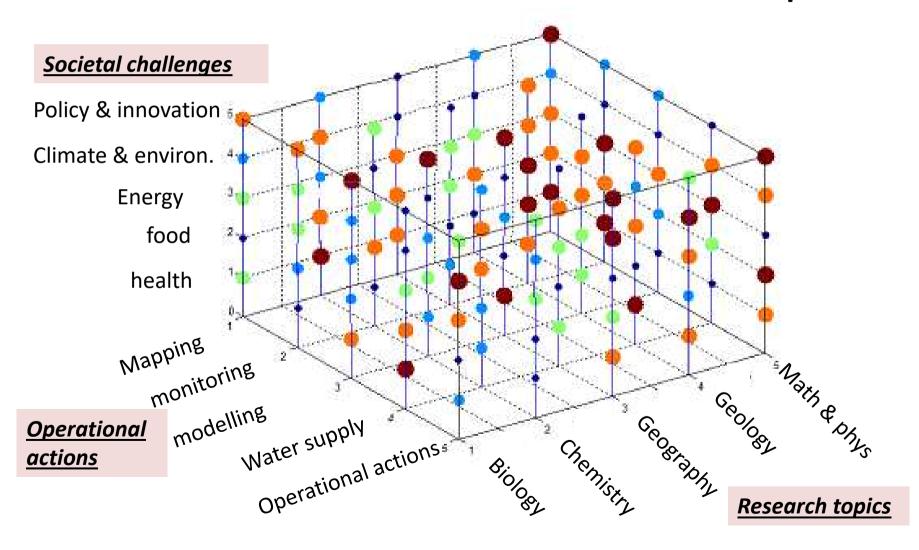


### Main categories in HRC-SYS

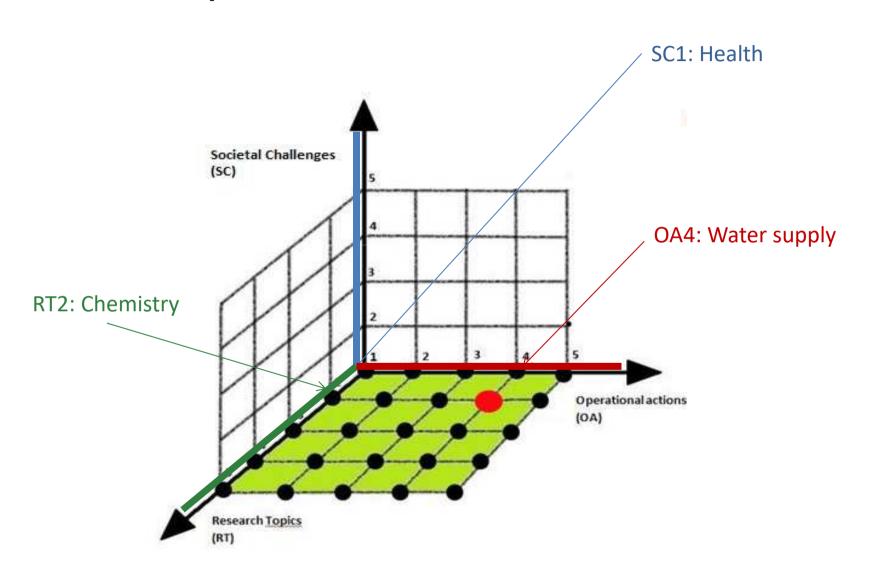
**Table 2.1** The overarching groups, for an easy overview of the main research dimensions:

Societal Challenges	Operational Actions	Research Topics
<ol> <li>Health</li> <li>Food</li> <li>Energy</li> <li>Climate, environment and resources</li> <li>Policy, innovation and society</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Mapping</li> <li>Monitoring</li> <li>Modelling</li> <li>Water supply</li> <li>Assessment and Management</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Biology</li> <li>Chemistry</li> <li>Geography</li> <li>Geology</li> <li>Physics and Mathematics</li> </ol>

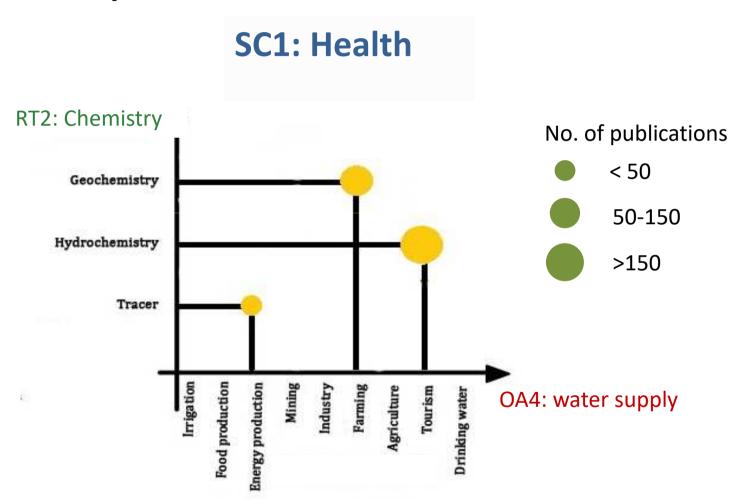
# 3D conceptual illustration of main categories of groundwater research classification and scientific output



### Example: 2D PLOT FOR SC1: HEALTH



# Plots for the analysis of research activity - example: health - chemistry - water supply



### Thanks for coming

Have a nice day!