

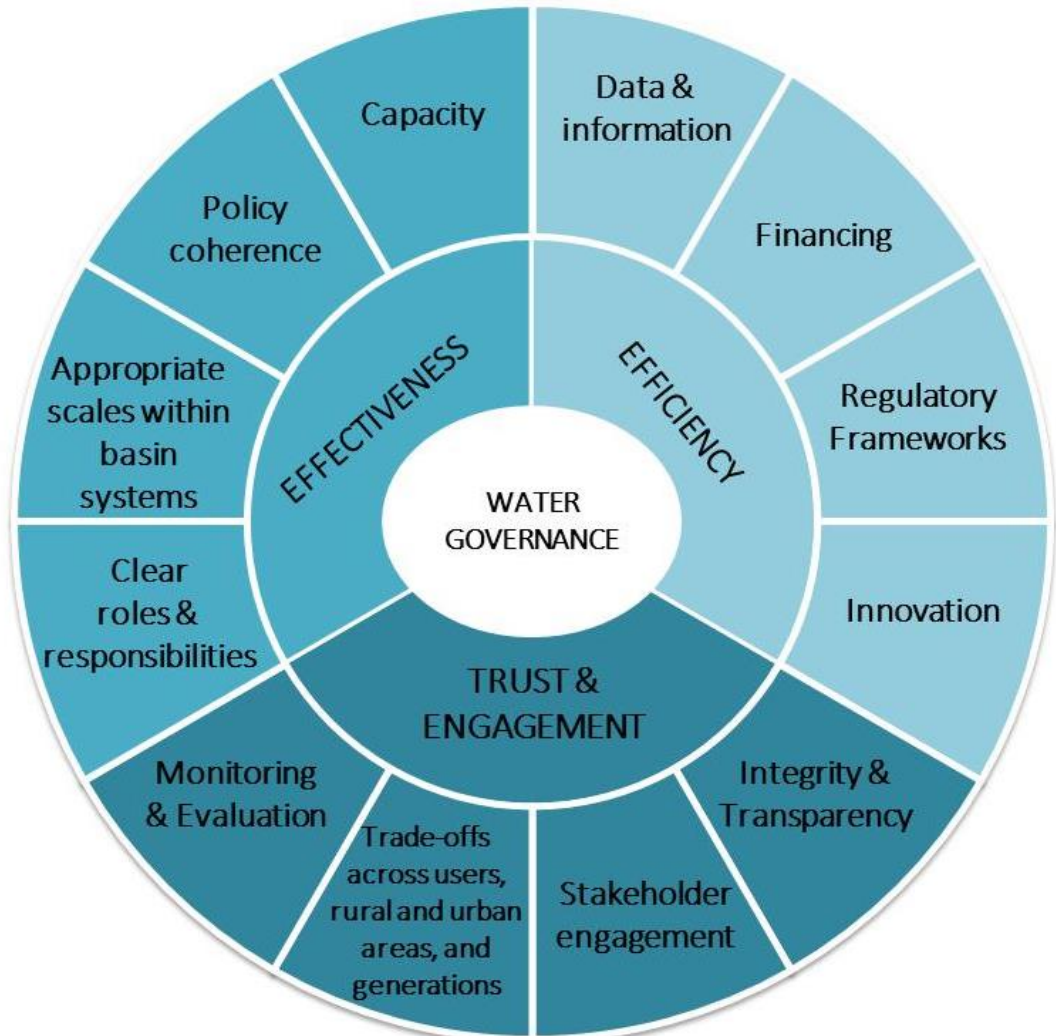
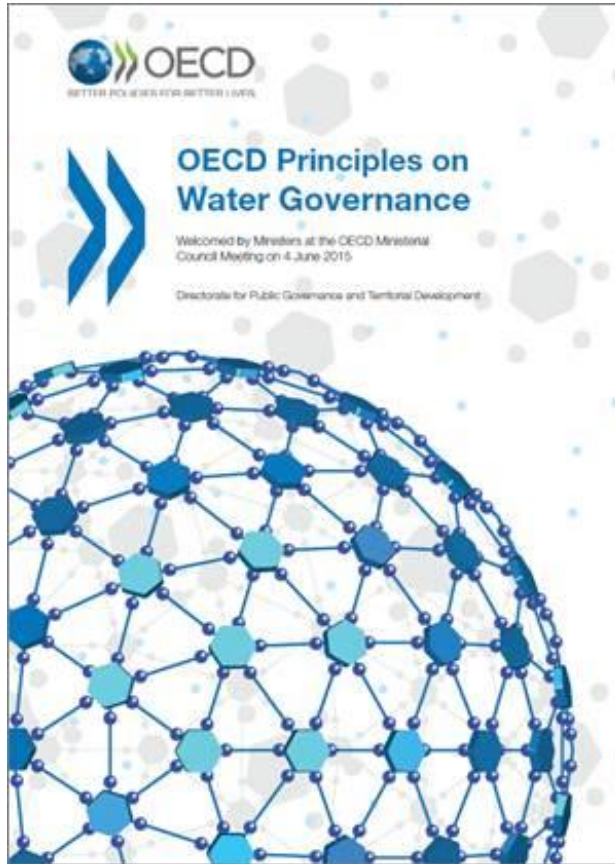


# OECD PRINCIPLES ON WATER GOVERNANCE

Aziza Akhmouch, PhD  
Head, OECD Water Governance Programme  
INBO General Assembly – 8 June



# OECD Principles on Water Governance




**Endorsed by OECD's 34 Member States at the Ministerial Council Meeting on 4 June 2015**



# Enhancing the **effectiveness** of water governance

---

- 1** Clearly allocate and distinguish roles and responsibilities for water policymaking, policy implementation, operational management and regulation, and foster co-ordination across these responsible authorities
  - 2** Manage water at the appropriate scale(s) within integrated basin governance systems to reflect local conditions, and foster co-ordination between the different scales
  - 3** Encourage policy coherence through effective cross-sectoral co-ordination, especially between policies for water and the environment, health, energy, agriculture, industry, spatial planning and land use
  - 4** Adapt the level of capacity of responsible authorities to the complexity of water challenges to be met, and to the set of competencies required to carry out their duties
- 



# Enhancing the *efficiency* of water governance

---

**5** Produce, update, and share timely, consistent, comparable and policy-relevant water and water-related data and information, and use it to guide, assess and improve water policy

**6** Ensure that governance arrangements help mobilise water finance and allocate financial resources in an efficient, transparent and timely manner

**7** Ensure that sound water management regulatory frameworks are effectively implemented and enforced in pursuit of the public interest

**8** Promote the adoption and implementation of innovative water governance practices across responsible authorities, levels of government and relevant stakeholders

# Enhancing the *trust* and *engagement* of water governance

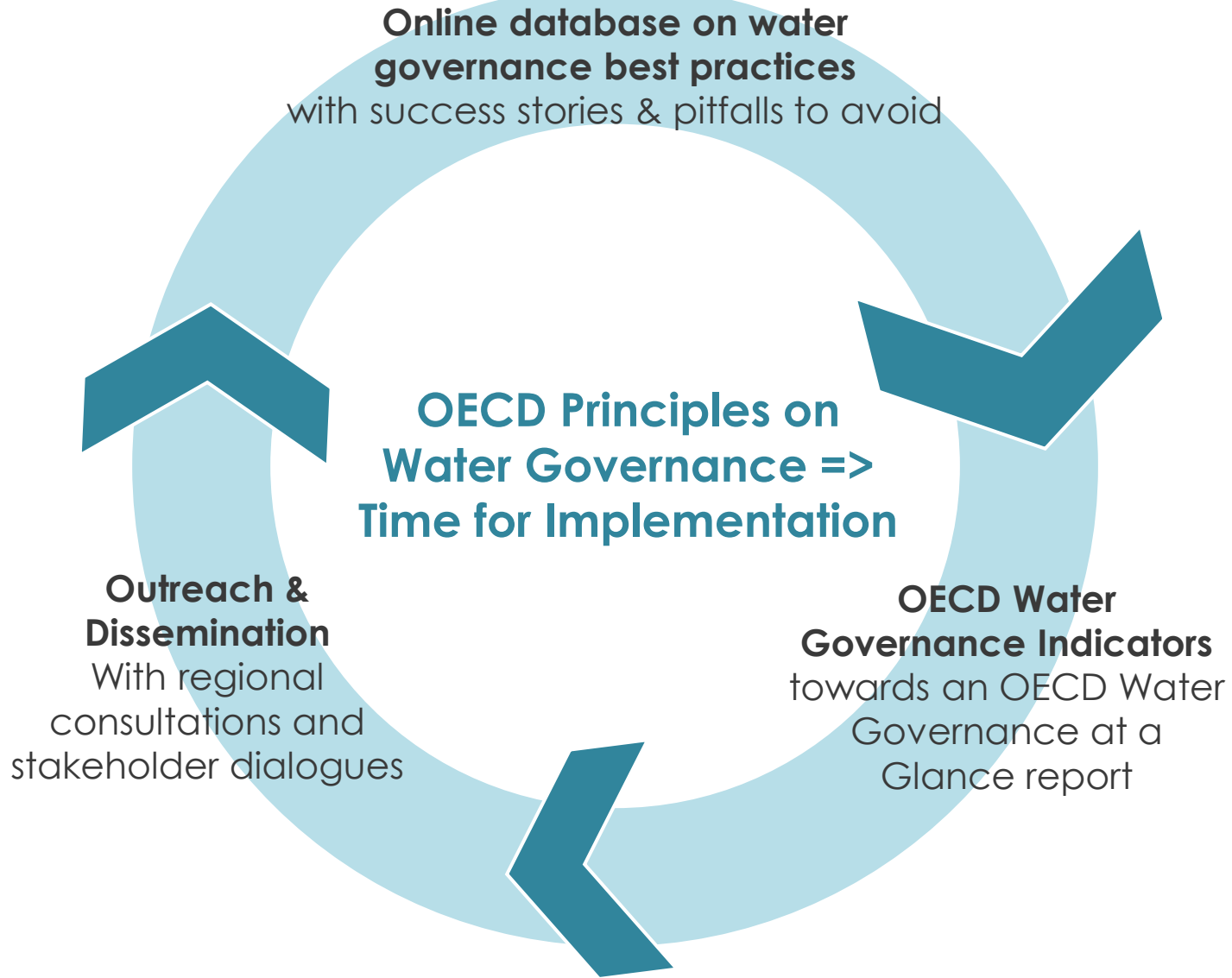
//

- 9** **Mainstream integrity and transparency practices across water policies, water institutions and water governance frameworks for greater accountability and trust in decision-making**
- 10** ***Promote* stakeholder engagement for informed and outcome-oriented contributions to water policy design and implementation**
- 11** **Encourage water governance frameworks that help manage trade-offs across water users, rural and urban areas, and generations**
- 12** **Promote regular monitoring and evaluation of water policy and governance where appropriate, share the results with the public and make adjustments when needed**



# Next steps (2016-2018)

---





# Download the Principles



*English*



*French*



*German*



*Spanish*



*Portuguese*



*Italian*



*Dutch*



*Greek*



*Korean*



*Turkish*



*Hebrew*



*Japanese*



*Chinese  
(Mandarin)*



*Russian*



*Hindi*

+ *Arabic*



# THANK YOU

[Aziza.Akhmouch@oecd.org](mailto:Aziza.Akhmouch@oecd.org)