

National  
Hydrometric  
Monitoring  
Programme  
2018-2021

# Appendix D

National Hydrometric  
Working Group - Terms  
of Reference



## The Terms of Reference of the National Hydrometric Working Group are:

- Provide a **forum** where all issues relating to the operation of sustainable hydrological networks and services can be discussed among interested stakeholders and the various bodies involved
- Act as a platform for the **exchange of both scientific and technical expertise** while advocating the development of best hydrometric practices
- Foster and **strengthen collaboration** amongst the various organisations to support the implementation of the National Hydrometric Programme
- Discuss **policies, programmes, and activities** for the collection, analysis, assessment, archiving, and distribution, of surface water, groundwater, and related metadata
- Adopt guidelines to ensure **common terminology and definitions** of surface water, groundwater and statistics, including comparable data quality flags
- Establish improved **mechanisms for shared services**, including creating links to make good quality up to date hydrometric data more accessible to all interested parties
- Identify **training requirements** and recommend collaborative training activities to make the most effective use of resources and to facilitate data quality, comparability, and sharing among the various organisations
- Discuss issues and requirements for hydrometric data related to the implementation of **EU directives** and other reporting requirements