



**The transposition of Directives 2000/60/EC (WFD) and  
2007/60/EC (FRD) into the Italian legal and institutional  
framework: an introduction**

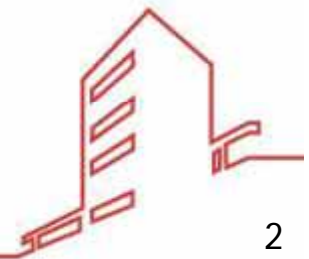
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# The Water Framework and Flood Risk Directives: an overview of main institutional and organizational requirements

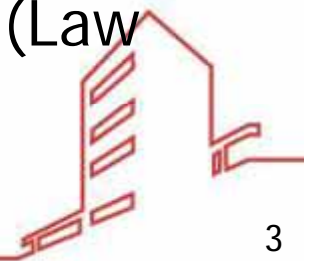
- Member States shall bring into a single regulatory framework water management and protection
- The river basin is the ecological unit determining the government structure for water management and (as preferred option) for flood risk management
- Water management shall be based on the integrated nature of the water cycle and its links with land use
- Competent water authorities shall be in charge of undertaking and coordinating prescribed activities within river basin districts



# The implementation path of the Water Framework and Flood Risk Directives in Italy

## Key critical points:

- a) Decree 152/2006 (implementing the WFD) and Decree 49/2010 (implementing the FRD):
  - establishment of River Basin Districts and *District Authorities*
  - clash of interests along centre-periphery
  - public information and consultation
  - Sectoral versus integrated approach
- b) Other related recent and ongoing water reforms (Law 166/2009; Law 42/2010; Decree 106/2011)



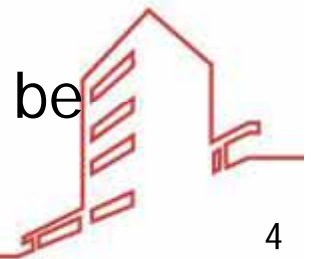
## Two inspiring EU water directives consideranda for the Italian ongoing reforms and implementation process

### *Water Framework Directive: (considerandum n. 1)*

“Water is not a commercial product like any other but, rather, a heritage which must be protected, defended and treated as such”

### *Flood Risk Directive: (considerandum n. 3)*

“It is feasible and desirable to reduce the risk of adverse consequences associated with floods. However, measures to reduce these risks should, as far as possible, be coordinated throughout a river basin if they are to be effective”





**Thank you for your attention!**

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