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## Monitoring & Assessment Drivers for improving governance

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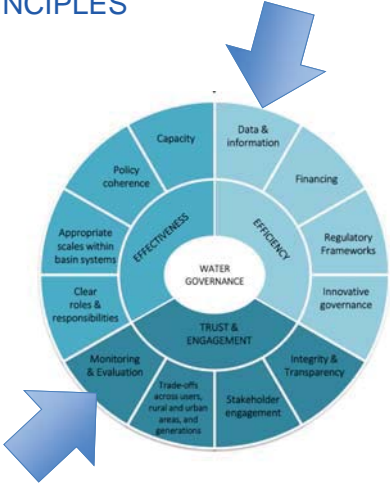
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OECD WATER GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLES

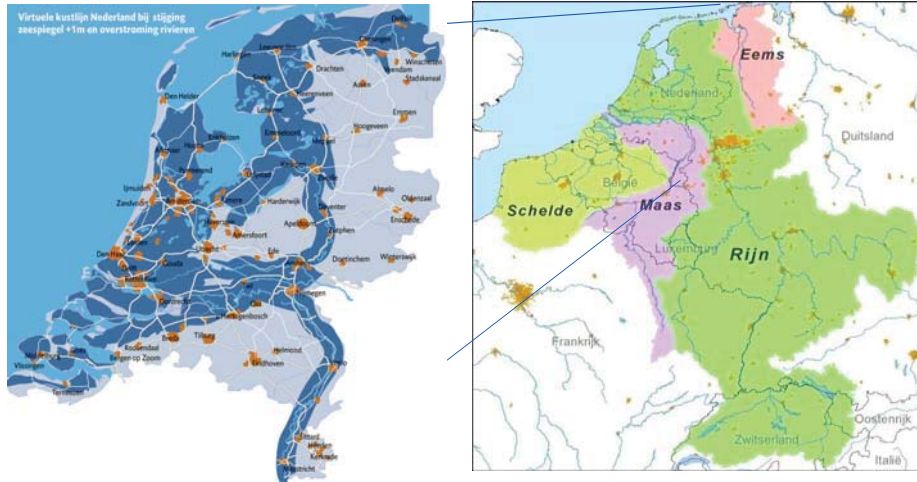
5. Produce, update and share timely, consistent, comparable and policy relevant water and water-related *data and information*, and use it to guide, assess and improve water policy (..)

12. Promote regular *monitoring and evaluation* of water governance, where appropriate, share the results, make adjustments where needed (..)



The diagram illustrates the OECD Water Governance Principles. At the center is 'WATER GOVERNANCE'. It is supported by four main pillars: EFFECTIVENESS, EFFICIENCY, TRUST & ENGAGEMENT, and INTEGRITY & TRANSPARENCY. Each pillar has several sub-principles. Two blue arrows point to the 'Data & information' sub-principle under EFFECTIVENESS and the 'Monitoring & Evaluation' sub-principle under TRUST & ENGAGEMENT.

THE NETHERLANDS: DELTA OF 4 INTERNATIONAL RIVER
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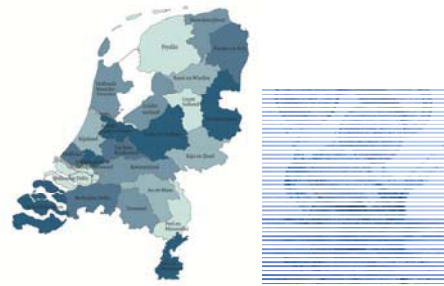
WATER GOVERNANCE IN THE NETHERLANDS

Key features:

- Multi-level
- Regional Water Authorities
- Self financing
- Stakeholder democracy, elections

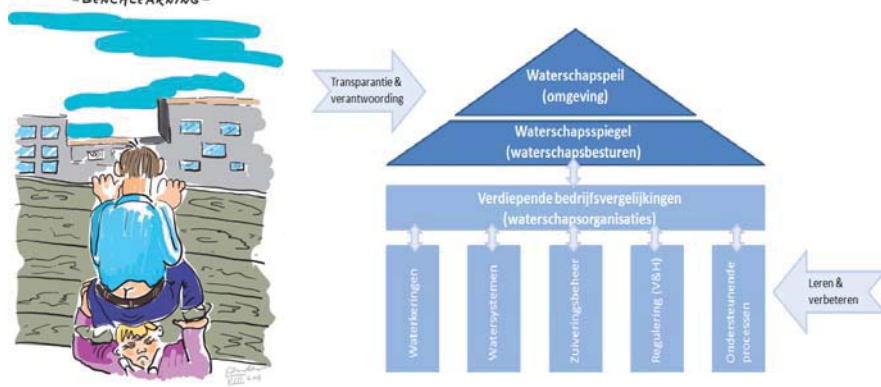
M&A on water governance

- Transparency
- Accountability
- Improvement



1. SELF ASSESSMENT: WAVES, WATERSPIEGEL

Benchmarks, regional water authorities



<https://wsp-waves.databank.nl>



Totale netto kosten x1000

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**2. EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT: OECD 2014**

What: institutional reflection, future agenda

How: Policy dialogue – all stakeholders

For: Parliament, ministries, water sector

Outcome: Priorities national agenda

- Awareness gap
- Who pays for what?
- Independant oversight M&A
- Strengthen economic incentives
- Higher ambition on water quality policy
- Coherence Water - Spatial Planning



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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Transparancy counts
2. Adress three layers in M&A (Hofstra)
3. Use M&A as a driver for improved governance
4. Involve stakeholders in an early stage
5. Involve the operational level in transboundary water policies

Content layer	Clear policy
	Knowledge and skills
	Information
Institutional layer	Organization
	Legislation
	Financing
Relational layer	Culture and ethics
	Communication and cooperation participation

