

IWRM is a good concept, but should not mean to always integrate everything with everything. Local water management needs local solutions and local crisis needs immediate action.

IWRM is about optimizing allocation decisions. CC will increase uncertainty and variability of water resources and water services. The importance of good management of allocations and services will only increase. Thus importance of IWRM will increase.

Climate change for water resources means uncertainty and non stationarity and increasing water stress and conflict. IWRM needs to learn how to cope with this

Good news is that the portfolio for water services is broadening and developing on water demand side (more efficiency in water use) and on supply side (desalination, new technologies, exchange of information, early warning).

Coping with climate change should follow a step by step approach, learning by doing. Local level needs local solutions Local actions