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## WavE-Working Group "Assessment Methods"

# Approaches for the evaluation of futureoriented technologies and concepts in the field of water reuse and desalination

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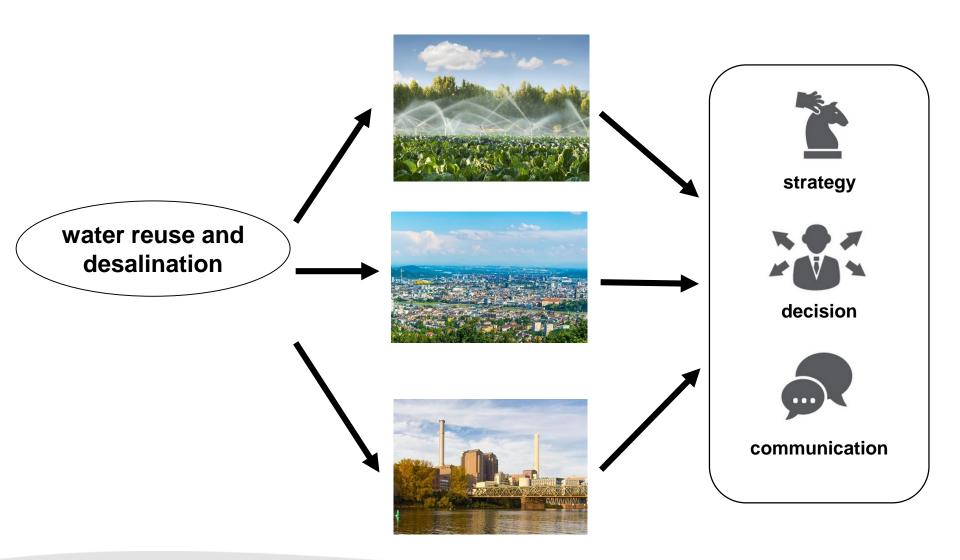
# Overview



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# Motivation and objectives





# Motivation and objectives



- Ambition of the working group
  - (1) review of assessment methods used in six different projects
  - (2) present a general approach for comparative multi-criteria evaluation of water reuse and desalination systems
  - (3) showcase exemplary sets of criteria for the application in a more industrial, municipal and/or international context
  - (4) identify possible data sources, challenges in using them and indicators to measure data quality to guide data collection

### Valuation issues in WavE



Process alternatives for the treatment of concentrates from water reuse

An Initiative of the Federal Ministry of

**Pulsed Electric Field** (PEF) treatment and other bath treatment (dip-paint coating in serial automotive painting)







Modular treatment plants for water reuse







Modular concept for sustainable water treatment using capacitive deionisation



Single and combined desalination processes (example steel industry) Modular process chains for wastewater treatment and treatment for reuse

### Valuation issues in WavE





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LCA / LCIA total cost of ownership stakeholder analysis

Multi-criteria decision analysis

(MCDA) in the form of a utility

analysis





Multi-criteria benefit analysis







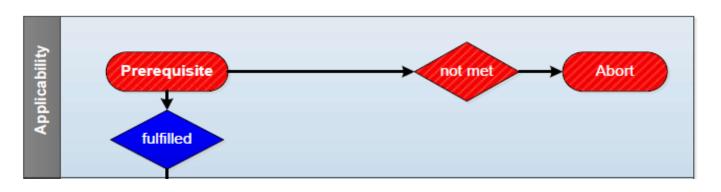
multi-criteria evaluation (weighting based on expert interviews) LCA extended cost-benefit analysis

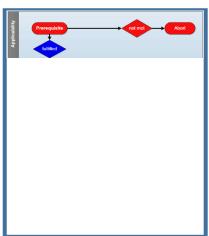
LCA

multi-criteria evaluation

## **Evaluation framework**





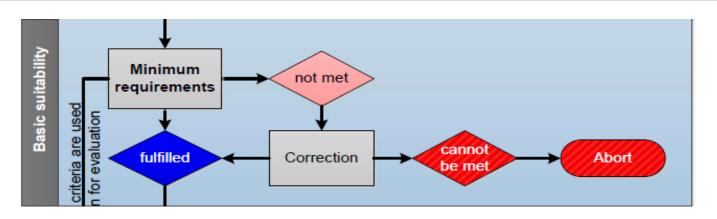


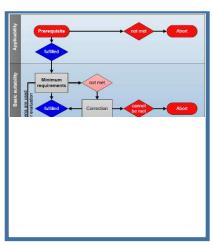
### Prerequisites:

- compliance (legal)
- resources availability
- openness of the decision-makers

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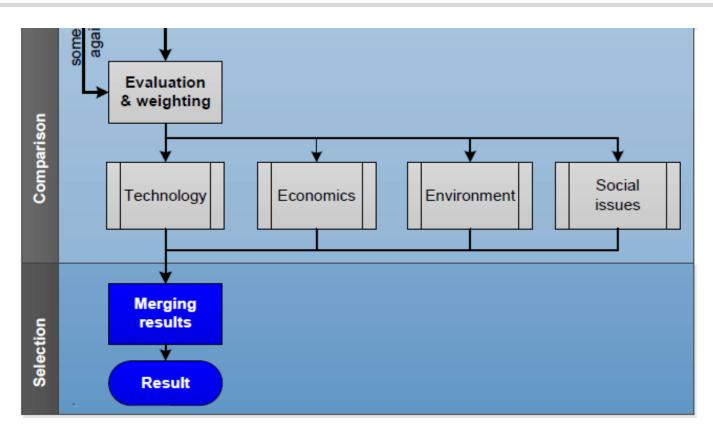


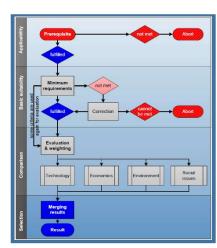
## Minimum requirements:

- compliance (legal, operational)
- integrability (infrastructure, building / system technology)
- synchronization of supply and demand

### **Evaluation framework**

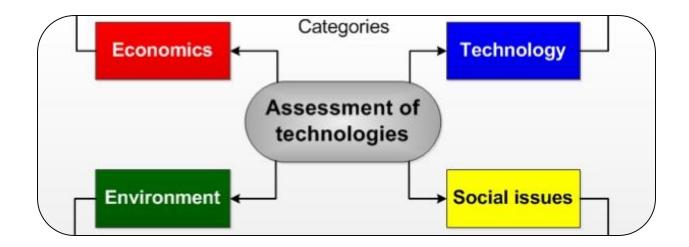




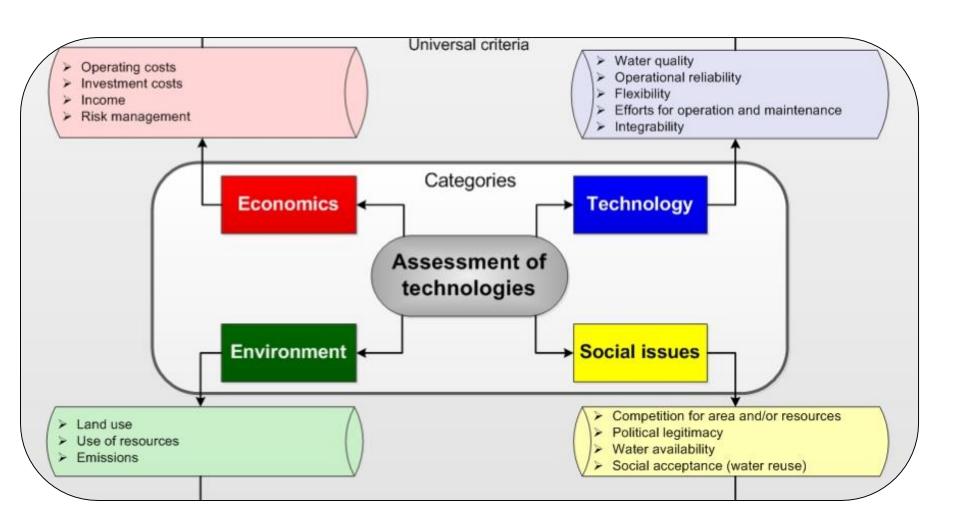


- Assessment criteria:
  - around 50 different criteria from the participating projects
  - differentiation between universally applicable and case-specific criteria











## Case-specific assessment criteria

### **Example:**



- local added value
- environmental sustainability
- Resources and land competition
- job creation
- transparency of the decision
- social acceptance
- participation
- economic burden
- ...

Perspective and evaluation with regards to public services of general interest

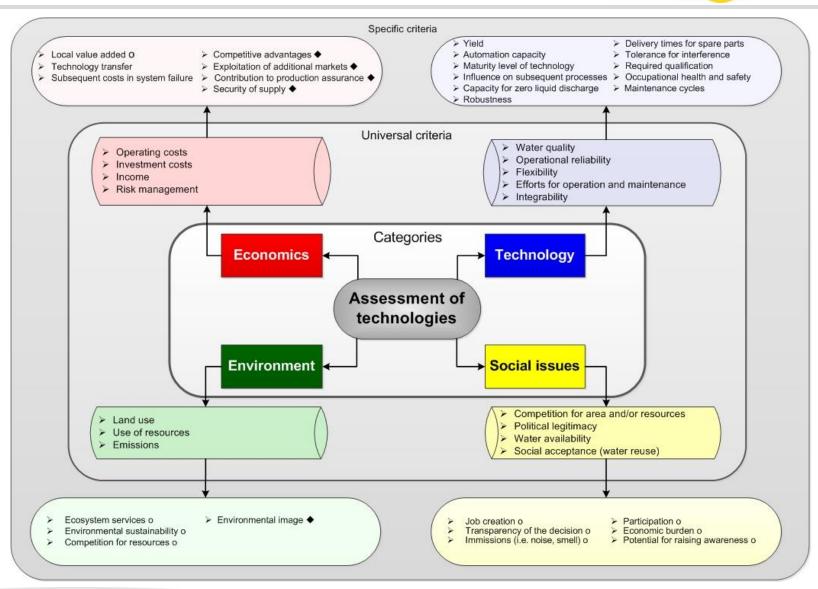
#### **Example:**



- competitive advantages
- development of further markets
- contribution to production security
- security of supply
- environmental image
- ....

Economic / entrepreneurial perspective





# Possible data sources



Thorough literature review based on case- specific criteria, consideration of grey literature as complementary source for local data  Long test periods under stable conditions with continuous data recording
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continuous data recording
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historical data
Exchanging with practitioners and other
scientists
entary Defining a common language and shared
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nd solution
ole size Making use of methods for statistical quality
control
ndability Favoring public data bases
sistency Periodic review (local/regional) laws and
regulations

# Main findings



- comparison of six multi-criteria evaluation concepts
- general procedure for the comparative multi-criteria assessment of water reuse systems, consisting of:
  - prerequisites
  - minimum requirements
  - evaluation criteria (qualitative, semi-quantitative, quantitative)
  - results aggregation
- exemplary sets of criteria for use in a more industrial or municipal context as an aid to analyzing issues in the field of water reuse and desalination













# Thank you for your attention!

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