



Cyprus water security experience

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Outline of Presentation



OVERVIEW OF WATER SCARCITY AND USE

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

WATER SAVING MEASURES

NON-CONVENTIONAL SOLUTIONS





OVERVIEW OF THE WATER SCARCITY PROBLEM AND USE OF WATER IN CYPRUS





SHORT DESCRIPTION ABOUT CYPRUS



Cyprus is an island in the Mediterranean Sea

➤ Area: 9250 Km²

➤ Population: 850,000 (under

Government control)

➤ Year of Turkish invasion and

percentage of the occupied

area:1974, 39%

➤ Year joined the EU: 2004

➤ Year joined the Eurozone:2008

➤ Year of the Financial crisis:2013

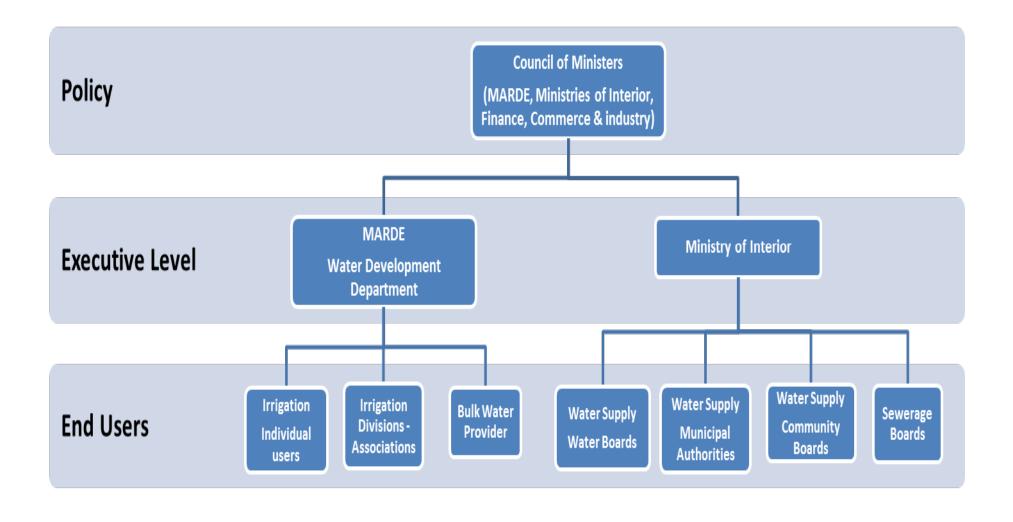
➤GDP (per capita): 2016 €20.984





Institutional and Administrative Structure of the Water Sector in Cyprus





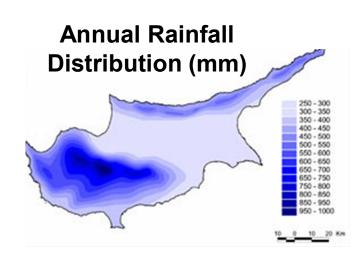


Water Situation in Cyprus



- Water scarcity has always been a very serious problem for Cyprus
 - Cyprus is one of the "water poor" countries of Europe
- Semi-arid climate
- Limited water resources
 - Depend mainly on rainfall
 - Scarce & expensive to exploit
- Unevenly distributed rainfall
- Frequent occurrence of droughts

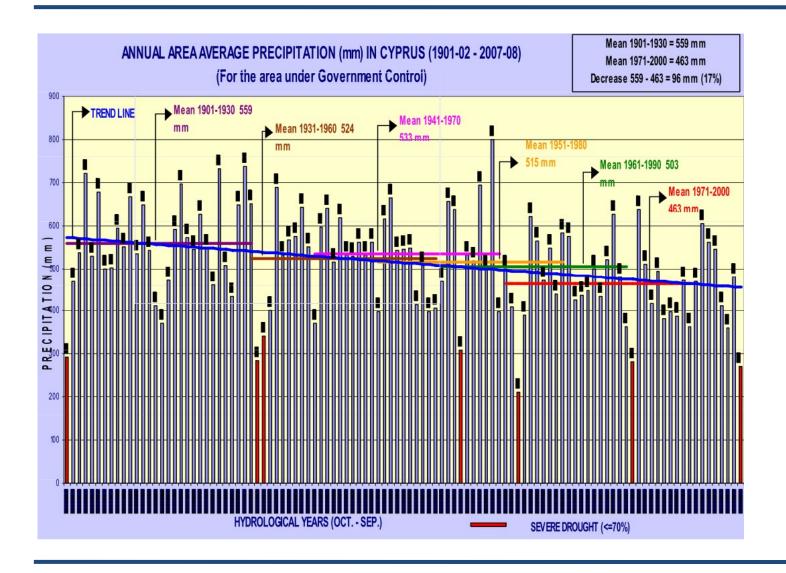






Declining Rainfall

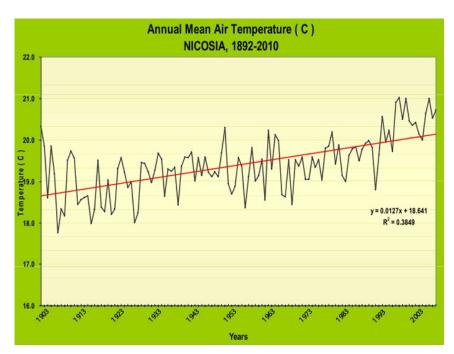


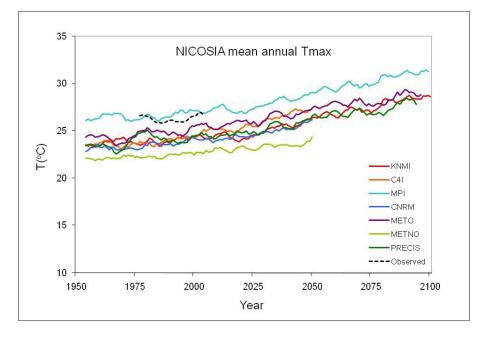






Rising Temperatute





- •Climate models predict rise in temperature and increase in the intensity and frequency of extreme drought events
- •These conditions, coupled with increased water demands are worsening the water scarcity problem in Cyprus



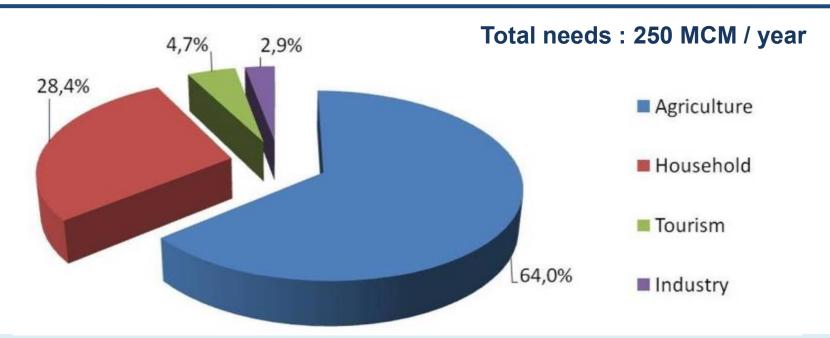


WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT



Uses of Water





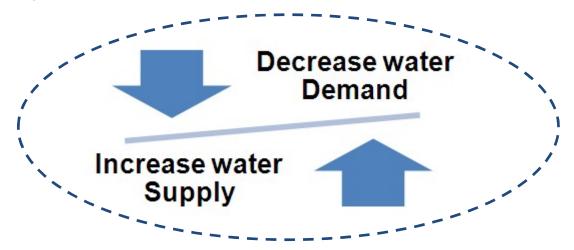
- Above figures approximate water consumption per use
- Total water demand is higher than availability and needs particularly for irrigation are rarely satisfied
- Average consumption per capita is estimated to: 150 litres/capita/day



Water Management Master Plan



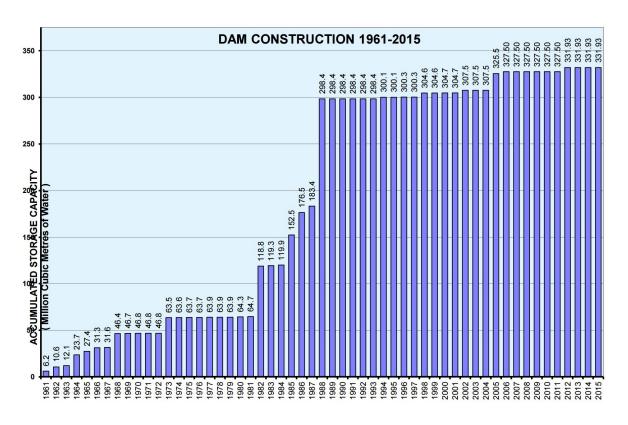
- Implementation embarked in the late 60s
- Objective: to satisfy in a sustainable way the different users of water and safeguard human & other life
- Measures implemented: to increase water availability and decrease water demand





Supply Augmentation





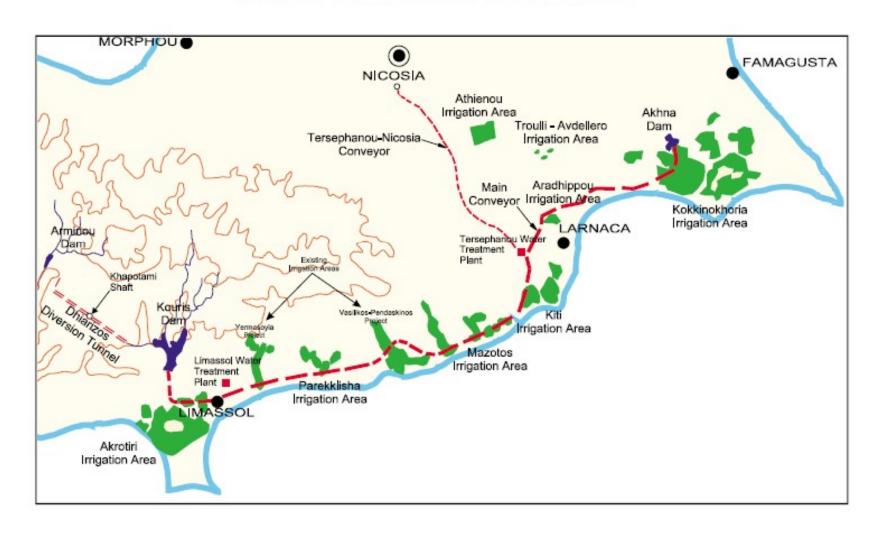
- Increased storage capacity through dam construction
- Drilled boreholes for domestic and irrigation purposes
- Constructed several major water projects







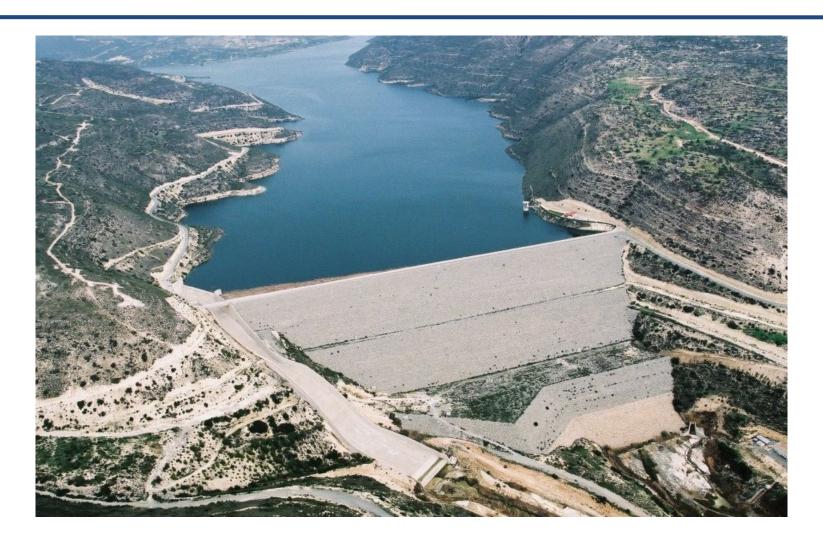
SOUTHERN CONVEYOR PROJECT

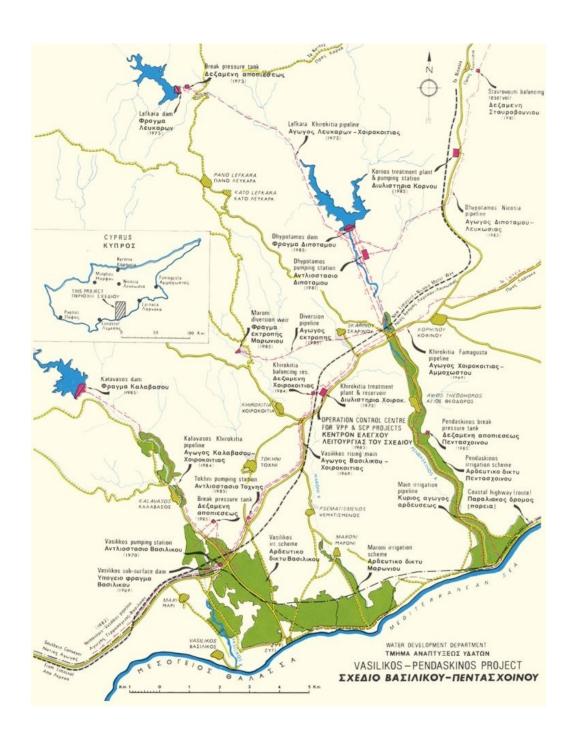






KOURIS DAM





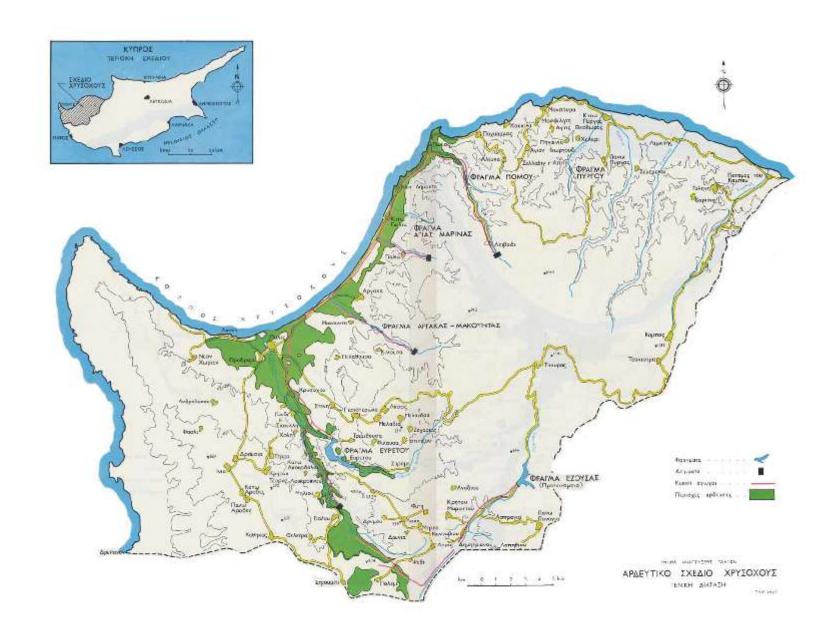






ASPROKREMMOS DAM







Water Balance



(mean values in Mm3 for period 2000-2011)

Rainfall:	476 mm		
Inflow into groundwater	201		
Outflow to the sea	62		
Groundwater Balance [GW]	139		
Inflow into surface storage [SW]	82		
TOTAL Available (SW+ GW)	221		
SW Releases	60		
GW extraction (Pumping)	146		
TOTAL Releases/ Extractions	206		
DEMAND	250		
DEFICIT	- 44 (+33*+8**)		

*Desalinated **Reused





WATER SAVING MEASURES



Policy, legal and Institutional aspects



Legislative measures

Water Saving Law adopted in 1991

Institutional changes

- For years water legislation evolved on an ad hoc basis – Numerous complex laws with fragmented responsibilities
- In 2010 an Integrated Water Management Law (Law N. 79(I)/2010) was established giving the responsibilities of water management to the Water Development Department (WDD)

Water Saving Law 1991

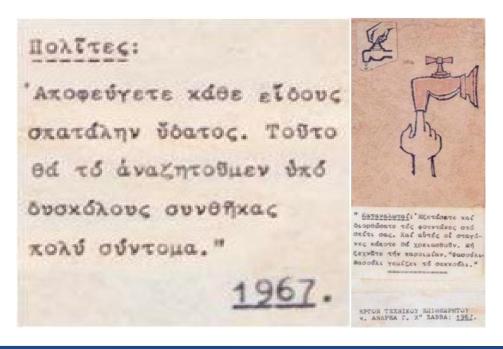
Any person using a hose for the washing of pavements, or verandas, or roads or vehicles is guilty of criminal offence and could be imprisoned for up to 3 months OR be fined up to €513, or both (Extrajudicial fine is €51)



Demand Management: Integral part of water policy



- Water saving is of particular importance for Cyprus
- Water saving measures have been a long time tradition of the water authorities









Education and Awareness Campaigns



- Public awareness campaigns
- Weekly television and radio programs for the farmers
- Establishment of Water Week
- School visits
- School drawing and essay competitions
- Distribution of information on water saving
- Daily updated web-site with information on water issues





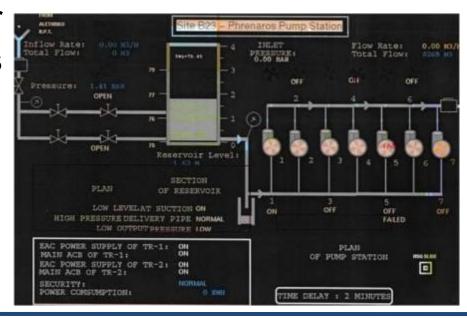




Leakage Reduction in Distribution Networks



- A systematic effort is made to reduce water losses
 - Efficient conveyance and distribution systems
 - Leakage detection methods
 - Real time tele-monitoring and tele-control on most important projects to optimise operation & maintenance
- The unaccounted water for the Water Boards is reduced the last two years to 12% - 20%
- In villages and small municipalities it is still high (up to 50%)







Economic incentives

- Drilling of private boreholes for garden irrigation with low grade water
- Connection of private boreholes to toilet tanks
- Installation of grey water recycling systems
- Installation of hot water circulating pumps for immediate hot water supply
- Installation of systems to collect rain water from greenhouses roofs

Subsidisation stopped temporarily in 2013 due to the economic crisis in Cyprus







Water saving devices

- Water saving measures are promoted through the National Green Public Procurement Action Plan
- Measures include use of tap and toilet water saving devices in public buildings









Cropping patterns

- Many irrigation projects were under study and implementation during 1970 – 1994
- At planning stage, a cropping pattern was selected and proposed to land owners to ensure efficient utilisation of water at farm level
 - Selection criteria: water supply reliability, project economics, land resources, climatic conditions
- Nevertheless certain crops were not profitable & were replaced with higher profit but more water consuming crops



Improvement of Irrigation Efficiency



- Water Use Improvement Project initiated in 1965 to provide farmers with technical & financial assistance
 - Installation of improved on farm irrigation systems
 - Application of proper irrigation schedules
- Improved irrigation systems currently cover 95% of total irrigated area (annual water savings are of the order of 75 MCM)
- Irrigation water in government schemes distributed through modern & highly efficient systems (closed pipes, drippers, sprinklers)
- Conveyance efficiencies: 90-95%, field application efficiencies: 80-90%









Quota control

- Water allocated to agriculture using a quota system and penalty charges for over-consumption
 - Allocation to farms depends on crop & area irrigated
 - Over-consumption fee is double of the usual tariff
 - The Water Development Department is entitled to interrupt water supply in cases of over-consumption
- Measure applied every year with the exception of some rare years of satisfactory rainfall-inflow







- Metering applied to all water uses
- Water billing is based on actual consumption metered at each individual water supply point
- Charges usually comprise a fixed and maintenance charge and a series of block charges (rising block tariffs)
- For irrigation water, charges are established on a volumetric basis and are uniform for all schemes





PRICES FOR DRINKING WATER



Water Framework Directive – Reporting Sheets on Economics – Republic of Cyprus

Table 7.1.1-1 Price of Drinking water from Governmental Drinking Water Supply Systems

Period of validity Price of Water (per c.m.)	1984 - 1985	1986 – 1989 (from 1/11/1985)	1990 – 1993 (from 1/01/1990)	1994 – 2004 (from 1/1/1994)	2004 – today (from 1/1/2004)	2017
GWCB of Limassol, Nicossia, Larnaca- Famagusta	0,1812 C£ 0,31 €	0,217 C£ 0,37 €	0,27 C£ 0,46 € *	0,335 C£ 0,57 €	0,45 C£ 0,77 €	0,82 €
GWCB of Pafos				0,16 C£ 0,27 €	0,33 C£ 0,56 €	0,64 €

^{*} This price is valid since 01/01/1994 for the GWCB of Nicosia and Larnaca-Famagusta and since 01/01/1994 for the GWCB of Limassol, which is the date of start of operations for the Water Distillery of Limassol.





PRICES FOR IRRIGATIONAL WATER

Table 7.2.1-1 Prices of irrigational water from the Water Development Department (€/m³)

Description / Use	Unit	Unit Price	UNIT RATES FOR 2017
To Agricultural Organisations for agricultural production	€/m³	0.15	0.12
To individuals for agricultural production	€ / m ³	0.17	0.17
For industrial consumption	ϵ / m^3	0.19	0.25
For animal husbandry consumption	\in / m^3	0.17	0.17
For consumption after overflow	€ / m ³	0.05	NOT APPLICABLE
For irrigation of football and golf courses	ϵ / m^3	0.34	0.36 private- 0.23 public
For irrigation of other sports places, hotels and house gardens	ϵ / m^3	0.34	0.36 private- 0.23 public
For fish breeding	\in / m^3	0.17	0.17
For over consumption	€ / m ³	0.56	0.45 for irr. & double for
Other prices/ rates			other uses
Fixed yearly rate	€/hectare	1.71	2.40
For connection (once)			2.10
(α) Water meter	€ /meter	68.00	200.00
(β) Filter	€/ hectare	5.00	5.00
For reconnection	€	25.50	20.00

Actual cost of irrigational water: 0.45 €/m3

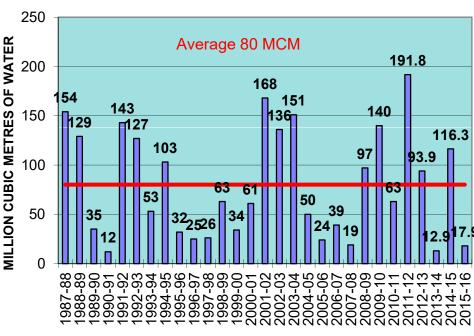


Despite the significant measures, available water was not enough



- Climate change caused a drop of 20% in precipitation resulting to a 40% reduction in surface runoff
- Experienced more frequent occurrence of extreme drought events
- Rapid increase in population and tourist arrivals

Inflow of Water to the Dams (MCM)



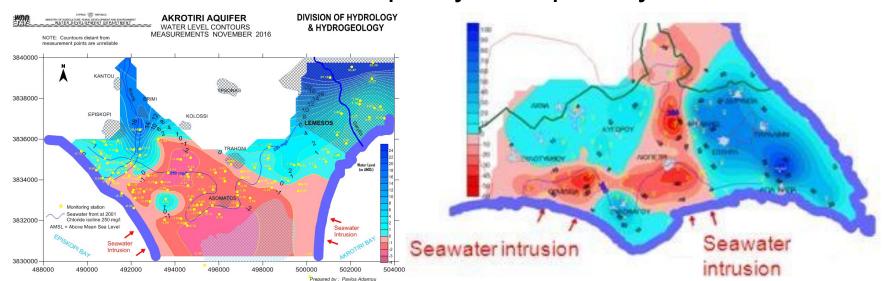
HYDROLOGICAL YEAR (1 October- 30 September)





....Groundwater Deteriorated...

- Groundwater resources have been the most obvious & easily accessible sources of water for many years
- In the attempt to meet the increasing water demand or to mitigate drought effects, they have been heavily over-pumped:
 - Led to seawater intrusion into coastal aquifers
 - Deteriorated both quality and quantity

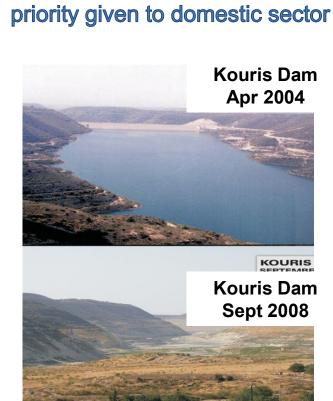




Water rationing



- In 2008, Cyprus was faced with one of the most acute and prolonged droughts in the recent years
- A Drought Mitigation & Response Plan was applied in response
 - Almost 100% ban on water supply to agriculture
 - Strict restrictions on drinking water supply to households (36 hours/week)



Rationing measures implemented during periods of droughts with





Facing water crisis in 2008

Transportation of water from Athens to Limassol with tankers in August 2008: 35.000-50.000 m³/day







8.0 MCM of water - cost €56.0 M





NON-CONVENTIONAL SOLUTIONS





Non Conventional Water Supply Sources

- ➤ About twenty years ago the Government in order to eliminate the dependency of the water supply on annual rainfall, decided:
- To proceed with the construction of sea water desalination plants to use for domestic water supply
- To replace part of the fresh water used in agriculture by treated effluent.



In 1997 Desalination was Introduced











Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)



- By developing partnerships with private-sector entities, the governments can use the private sectors' knowledge, experience and financing capacity to improve the quantity and quality of basic public services.
- Such Public-Private Partnerships, if properly designed and implemented, can present a number of advantages.
- In Cyprus all desalination plants operate under Built, Own
 Operate, Transfer (BOOT) Contracts, where private companies using their own funds, undertake the design, construction and operation of the Plants over a fixed period.
- The Government has the obligation to buy a minimum quantity of desalinated water each year over that fixed period.





Desalination Plant – Contractual Obligations

- The Contractor produces desalinated water of a specified quality and quantity and delivers it to the Water Development Department's storage reservoirs
- The water quality is checked every 2 hours. Additional quality test are carried out on a daily and weekly basis
- The Water Development Department is obliged to receive a specified minimum quantity every 3 months
- Payments to the Contractor are made every 3 months
- The Contractor submits 3-monthly reports on:
 - Quantities of water delivered
 - Quantities over and above the minimum 3-monthly quantity
 - Volume of water which did not comply to the specification
 - Quantities which were not delivered by the Contractor for reasons beyond his direct control





Pricing of Water Purchased

- The Unit Price is made up of four components:
 - C: Capital Expenditure
 - OM: Operation and Maintenance
 - E: Energy
 - SOM: Standby Operation and Maintenance
- Different Unit Prices are applied:
 - Unit Price for operation: C + OM + E
 - Unit Price for Stand-by : C + SOM
 - Unit Price for additional quantities: OM + E





Operational Conditions

- The Water Development Department has the option to purchase the desalination plant before the end of the Contract
- The Contractor will indemnify the Water Development Department for quantities of water which he was not able to deliver
- The Contractor has the option to produce and deliver the above quantities within the next 3-montly periods
- If he fails to do this a penalty is imposed
- The penalty is equal to the current purchase price of desalinated water times the quantities of water which were not delivered.
- The penalty is applied once a year.











DESALINATION PLANTS IN CYPRUS

	DHEKELIA	LARNACA	DHEKELIA REFURBISHMENT	DHEKELIA EXTENTION
CONTRACT TYPE	ВОТ	вот	ВОТ	ВОТ
START OF PRODUCTION	1st April 1997 12th July 2001		20 th May 2007	18 th July 2008
PERIOD	10 Years	10 Years	20 Years	
CAPACITY	40.000 m³/day	52.000 m ³ /day	40.000 m³/day	50.000 m³/day
MINIMUM DAILY PRODUCTION (m ³)	-	46.500 m ³	36.000 m ³	45.000 m ³
MINIMUM YEARLY PRODUCTION (m ³)	-	16.972.500 m ³ 13.140.000		16.425.000 m ³
CONTRACT PRICE	€0.92/m³	€0.68/m³	€0.64/m³	€0.82/m³ *
ADJUSTED PRICE (ELECTRICITY TARRIFF AND LABOR INDEX)	-	-	€1.31/m³	

^{*} For the extra 10.000 m3/day













DESALINATION PLANTS IN CYPRUS

GARYLLIS MONI **PAFOS** LIMASSOL **CONTRACT TYPE BOOR BOT BOOR BOT** 22nd December START OF 22nd November 2010 1st July 2012 2009 **PRODUCTION** 2008 20 Years **PERIOD** 3 Years 5 Years 3 Years **CAPACITY** 20.000 m³/day 13.000 m³/day 30.000 m³/day 40.000 m³/day MINIMUM DAILY 18.000 m³/day 11.700 m³ 27.000 m³/day 36.000 m³ PRODUCTION (m³) MINIMUM YEARLY 6.570.000 m³ 9.855.000 m³ 3.482.592 m³ .140.000 m³ PRODUCTION (m³) €1.39/m³ €0.29/m³ €1.219/m³ €0.8725/m³ **CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTED PRICE** €0.35/m³ €1.70/m³ €1.27/m³ (ELECTRICITY TARRIFF AND LABOR INDEX)





DESALINATION PLANTS IN CYPRUS

	LARNACA REFURBISHMENT	VASSILIKOS	
CONTRACT TYPE	ВОТ	Purchase contract	
START OF PRODUCTION	Summer 2014	Summer 2013	
PERIOD	25 Years	20 Years	
CAPACITY	60.000 m³/day	60.000 m³/day	
MINIMUM DAILY PRODUCTION (m³)	54.000 m³/day	54.000 m³/day	
MINIMUM YEARLY PRODUCTION (m³)	19.710.000 m³	19.710.000 m³	
CONTRACT PRICE	€0.59/m³	€0.813/m³	
ADJUSTED PRICE (ELECTRICITY TARRIFF AND LABOR INDEX	€0.82/m³	.82/m³ €1.10/m³	



Desalination Plants at 2017



DESCRIPTION	DHEKELIA EXTENSION	LARNACA REFURBISHMENT	LIMASSOL	VASSILIKOS
CONTRACT TYPE	воот	воот	воот	Purchase Contract
START OF PRODUCTION	18 July2008	Summer 2014	1 July 2012	Summer 2013
PERIOD	20 Years	25 Years	20 Years	20 Years
CAPACITY	60.000 m3/day	60.000 m3/day	40.000 m3/day	60.000 m3/day
MINIMUM DAILY PRODUCTION	54.000 m3	54.000 m3	36.000 m3	54.000 m3
MINIMUM YEARLY PRODUCTION	19.710.000 m3	19.710.000 m3	13.140.000 m3	19.710.000 m3
PURCHASE PRICE OF WATER	€0.69/m3	€0.59/m3	€0.87/m3	€0.81/m3
ADJUSTED PRICE FOR 2016 (ELECTRICITY TARIFF AND LABOR INDEX)	€0.83/m3	€0.47/m3	€0.92/m3	€0.77/m3

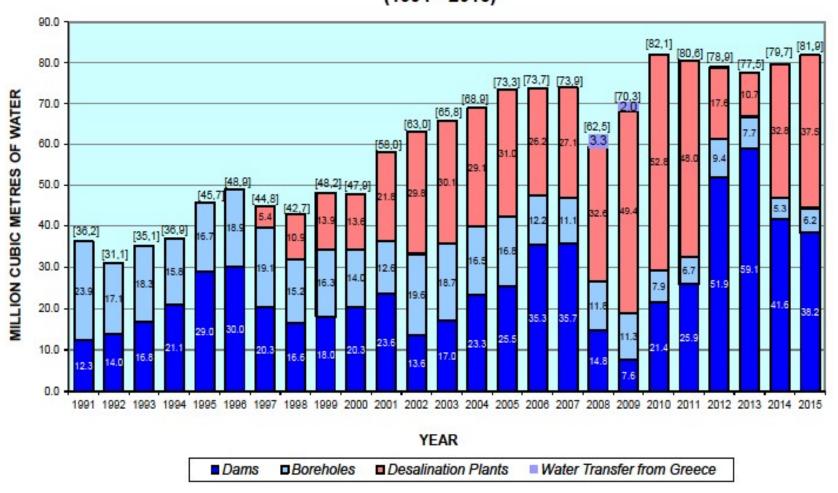






YEAR	TOTAL COST/YEAR (M €)	PRODUCED QUANTITY (M.C.M.)
2008	65,28	32,6
2009	63,56	49,6
2010	62,36	52,8
2011	74,98	48,7
2012	49,98	17,6
2013	35,24	10,7
2014	36,92	32,8
2015	43,83	38,1
2016	39,27	62,6
TOTALS	471,4	345,5

GOVERNMENT WATER WORKS - DOMESTIC SUPPLY SOURCES (1991 - 2015)





Desalination Pros and Cons



Pros	Cons
 Coverage of drinking water needs of large urban and touristic areas Dependence on rainfall eliminated Availability of additional quantities of surface water for other uses Irrigation Environmental Flows Recharge of heavily overpumped aquifers Economic and social benefits Safety and reliability of drinking water supply 	 Energy-consuming process Emission of Greenhouse gasses Slight impact on the Marine Environment Increased salinity at the point of brine rejection High production cost



Desalination Plants



- The inevitable choice to built Desalination Plants in Cyprus has proved particularly beneficial for the agriculture and salvation for the water supply of urban areas.
- It is imperative to continuously seek of ways to increase the efficiency of the existing desalination technologies in such a way so as to reduce the energy consumption, and
- To seek for new methods to produce drinking water by utilizing renewable energy sources.





Water Reuse







Reuse of Treated Effluent

- In Cyprus the treated effluent from the Urban Waste Water Treatment Plants is used for irrigation and recharge of aquifers
- Aquifers are used as storage reservoirs mainly in winter. The water from the aquifers is extracted and used for irrigation.
- Irrigation is done under the Code of Good Agricultural Practice
- During some winter months some quantities are discharged into the sea, as a temporary solution which will end after the implementation of the reuse projects

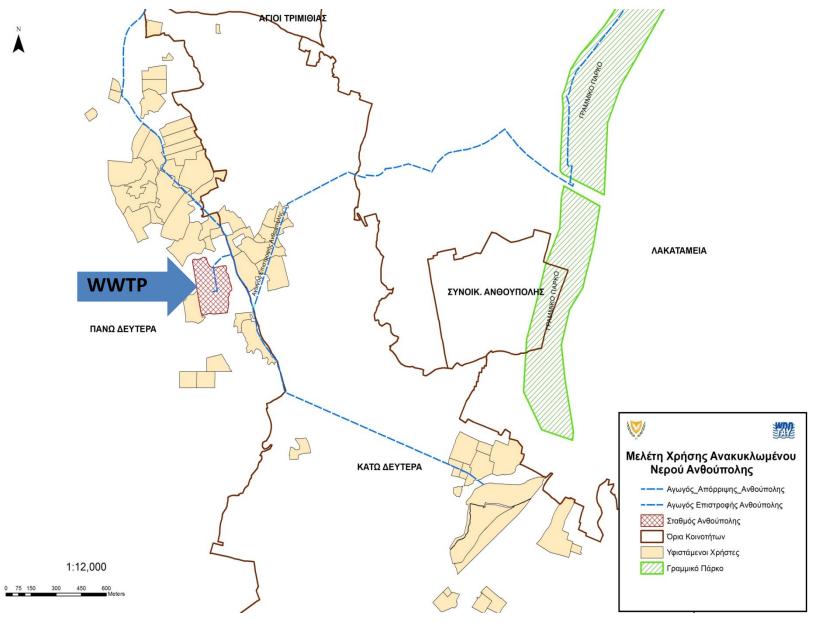


Existing Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTPs)



	Categories of WWTPs	Number of WWTPs	Total Capacity (m³/day)
1	Existing Urban WWTPs (>2000 p.e.)	8	165.700
2	Existing Rural WWTPs (> 2000 p.e.) (Type of treatment : Extended Aeration/ Moving Bed Bioreactor-Tertiary Sand Filters- Chlorination with liquid hypochlorite)	6	2.101
3	Existing Rural WWTPs (< 2000 p.e.) (Type of treatment : Extended Aeration-Tertiary Sand Filters-Chlorination with liquid hypochlorite)	6	574
4	Existing WWTPs for Refugee Housing (Type of treatment: Extended Aeration-Tertiary Sand Filters-Chlorination with liquid hypochlorite)	3	560
5	Existing WWTPs for Hospitals (Type of treatment: Extended Aeration-Tertiary Sand Filters-Chlorination with liquid hypochlorite)	3	1.280
6	Existing WWTPs for Military Camps Type of treatment: Contact Stabilisation/Extended Aeration-Tertiary Sand Filters- Chlorination with liquid hypochlorite)	9	684
	TOTAL	35	170.899

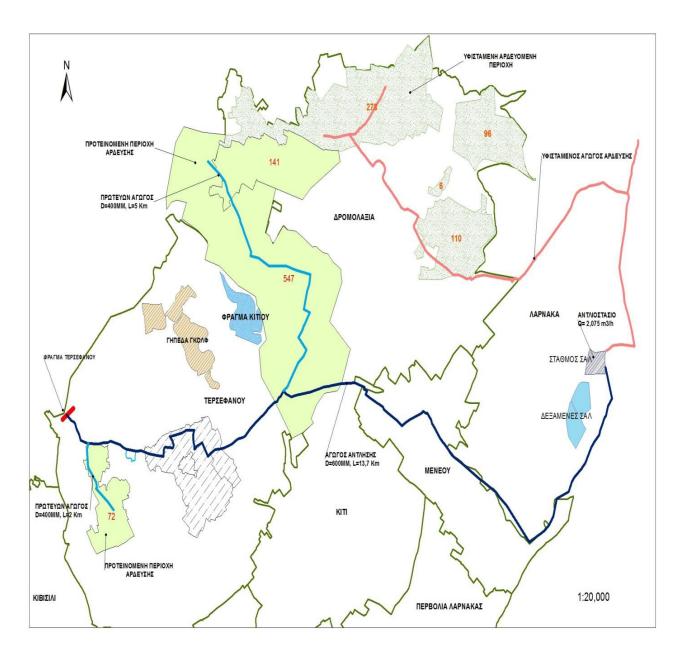
IRRIGATION NETWORK FOR ANTHOUPOLIS WWTP



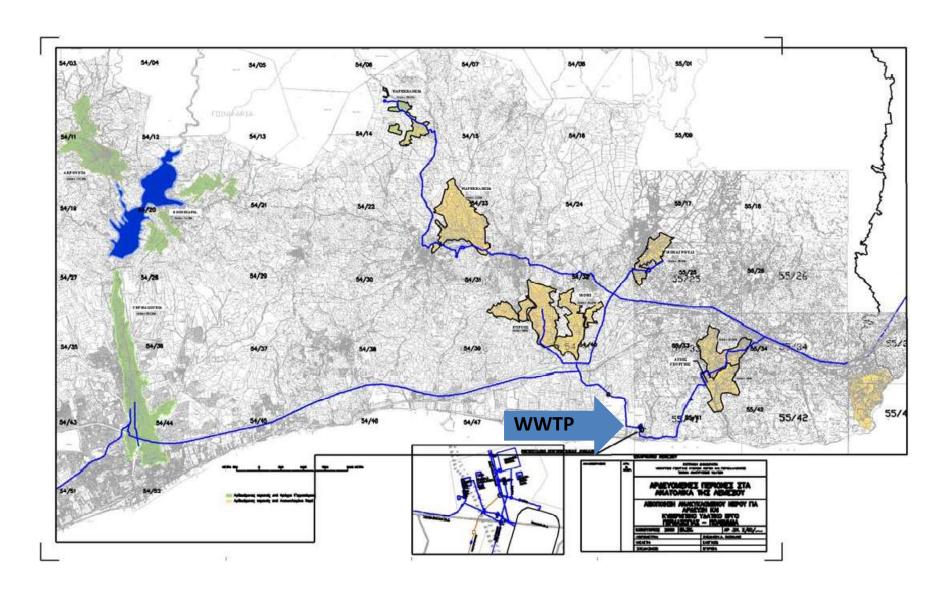
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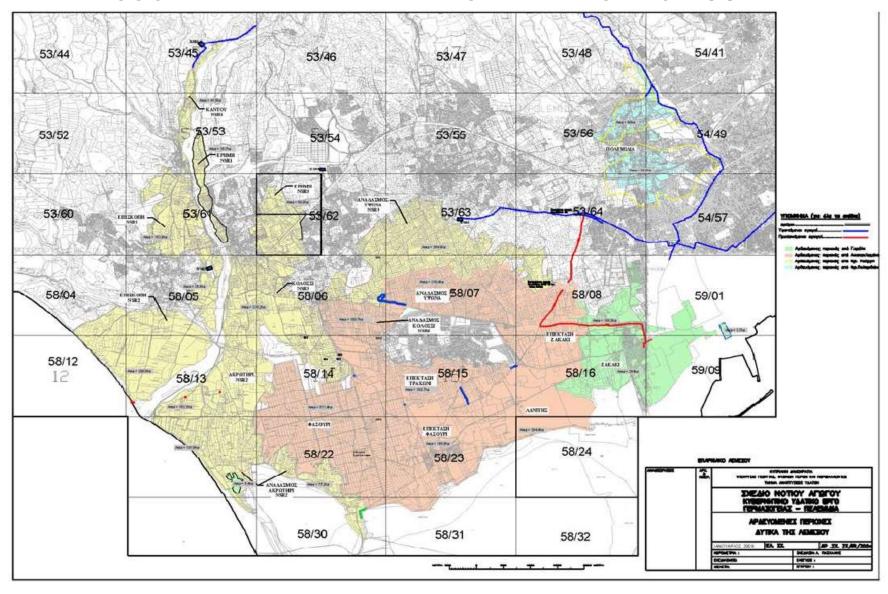
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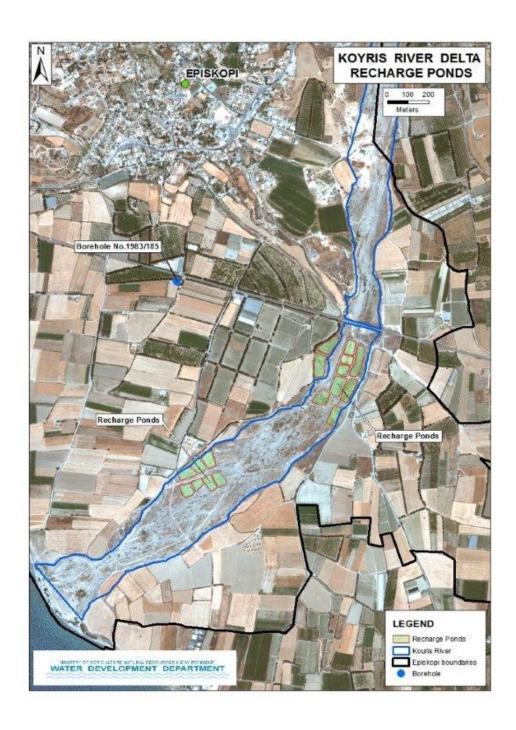


LIMASSOL AREA TREATED EFFLUENT IRRIGATION SCHEME



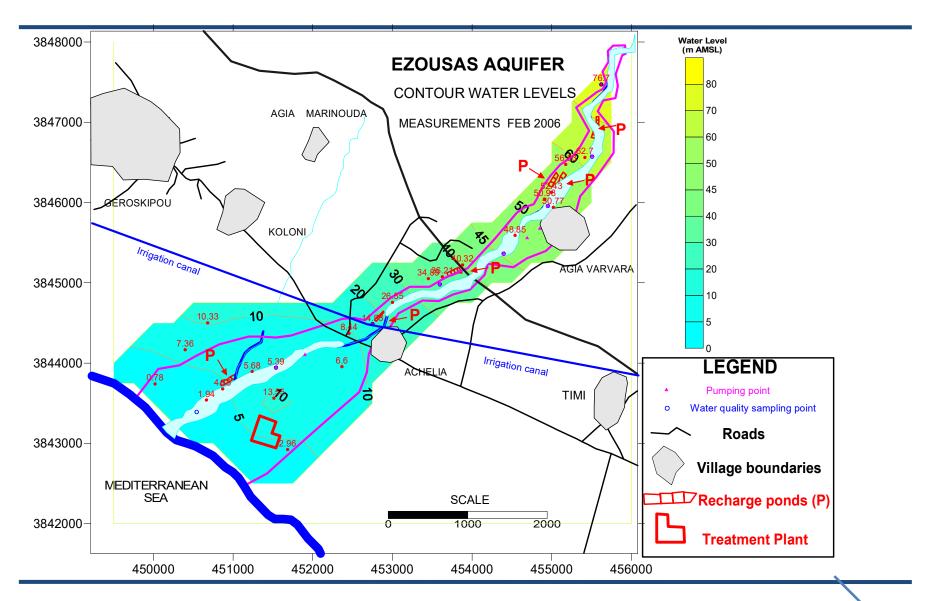
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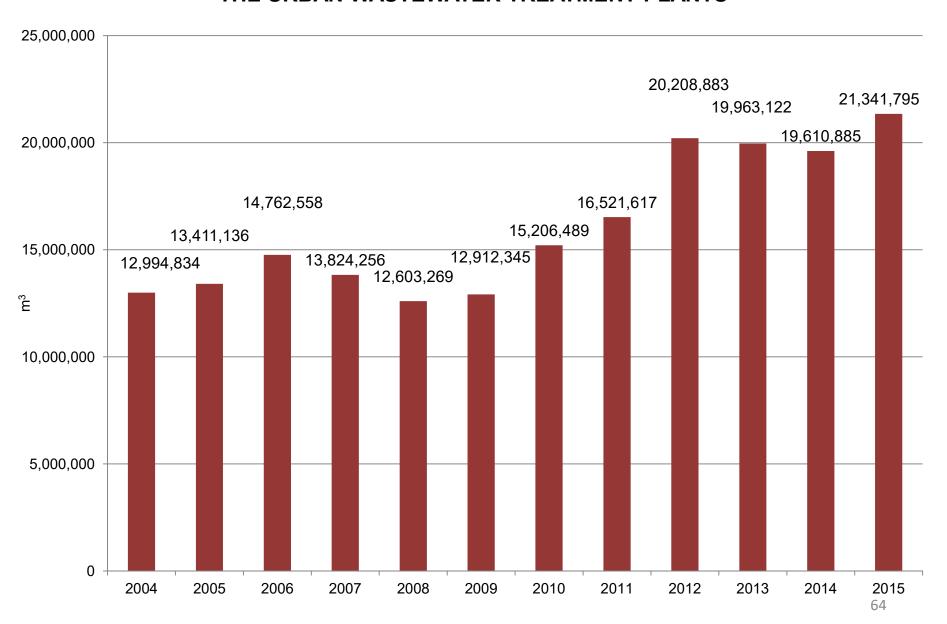




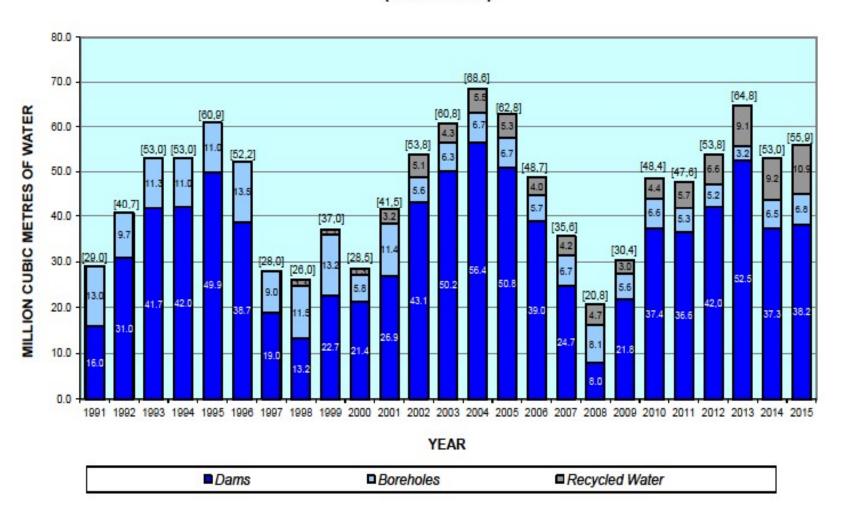




ANNUAL QUANTITIES OF TREATED EFFLUENT IN CYPRUS FROM THE URBAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS



GOVERNMENT WATER WORKS - IRRIGATION SUPPLY SOURCES (1991 - 2015)



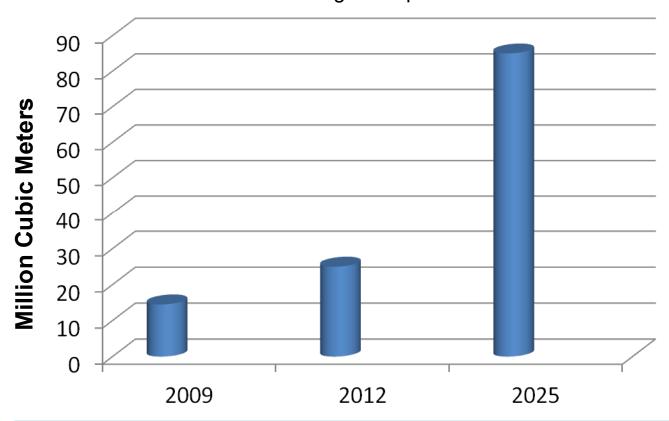


Treated Waste Water Reuse



Tertiary Treatment

Irrigation of agricultural crops and recreational areas either directly or through recharge of aquifers



Additional volumes of water for agricultural use



General Comments for the Reuse of Treated Effluent



- The treated effluent is another constant source of water
- The Government introduced the treated effluent in the Cyprus Water Balance
- The quality is under control and remains constant
- The treated effluent is suitable for the majority of the crops
- The farmers use less quantities of fertilisers because the treated effluent already contains nutrients such as Phosphorous and Nitrogen
- Almost all the Wastewater Treatment Plants in Cyprus are equipped with Tertiary Treatment, consisting of Sand Filtration and Chlorination in order to achieve higher quality characteristics and use the treated effluent for irrigation safely



Selling rates for treaded effluent are much lower than the rates for fresh water



10. SELLING RATES OF TREATED EFFLUENT FROM TERTIARY TREATMENT PLANTS

The rate of the treated effluent from the big wastewater treatment has been set by a ministerial decree as per the following table. These rates are charged by the government

		XX	W D :
		Water Selling Rate	
A/A	USE	Existing Rate of Tertiary Treated Effluent	Suggested Selling Rate of Fresh not filtered water from governmental
		EURO Cent/ m3	EURO Cent/ m3
1	a) For Irrigation divisions for agricultural production	5	15
	b)For Persons for agricultural production	7	17
2	For sports	15	34
3	For irrigation of hotels green areas and gardens	15	34
4	For irrigation of Golf Courses	21	34
5	For pumping from an underground aquifer recharged by treated effluent	8	
6	For over consumption for items 1 to 5	increase by 50%	56
7	For municipal parks, green areas etc for rural communities where a plant has been built within its limits and the quantity does not exceed the approved quantity of more than 10 %		

7.1.1. IRRIGATION WITH TREATED EFFLUENT- TYPE OF PLANTS

LIMASSOL PLANT	LARNACA PLANT	PARALIMNI AYIA NAPA PLANT	VATHIA GONIA PLANT
CITRUS FRUITS	COWGRASS	CITRUS FRUITS	COWGRASS
FODDER CROPS AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS (COWGRASS AND CORN)	CORN	OLIVE TREES	CORN
VEGETABLES	LOLIUM AND SUTAX	POTATOES	BARLEY
PUBLIC GREEN AREAS	PUBLIC GREEN AREAS	PUBLIC GREEN AREAS	FODDER CROPS
	FOOTBALL FIELDS	FOOTBALL FIELDS	GRASS PRODUCTION





Limassol (Moni) WWTP







CONCLUSIONS



Water scarcity and droughts increasing in intensity and extent



- Water scarcity and droughts is a major challenge
 - Climate change is expected to make matters worse
- In Cyprus Desalination Plants cover the drinking water needs of large urban and touristic areas, eliminating dependence on rainfall and giving security and reliability of drinking water supply
- The treated effluent is another constant source of water and it has been introduced in the Cyprus Water Balance for irrigation purposes



Taking on the challenge



- There is a need to intensify efforts to prepare for and manage water-related disasters
- Water saving & efficiency measures must be a priority
- Despite the many water saving & costly supply enhancement measures, the problem remains
- All necessary measures are being taken to ensure water security now and in the future through an <u>integrated multi-objective</u> <u>approach for water management</u>



Thank you





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