

# Citizen observatories empowering people in integrated water and waste management

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### Citizen observatories

...innovative tool
for fostering the collective
interaction required between
stakeholders to attain improved
sustainable and integrated water
management

...from citizen-based data collection

to knowledge sharing

for joint decision-making, cooperative planning and environmental stewardship



# groundtruth2.0 approach

Social Dimensions



LivingLabs principles

**Enabling Technologies** 

### 6 demand-driven Demo Cases (Africa & EU)



Sustainable natural resource management

Zambia



**Biodiversity conservation** 

Kenya



Water quality management in socio-ecological systems

**Sweden** 



Preparing for climate change

**Spain** 



Weather and climate-proof water management

**The Netherlands** 



Environmental quality of life in Flanders

Belgium



## Session objectives

#### Share

- opportunities for a paradigm shift in water resources management
- challenges related to maintaining engagement, quality control and impact

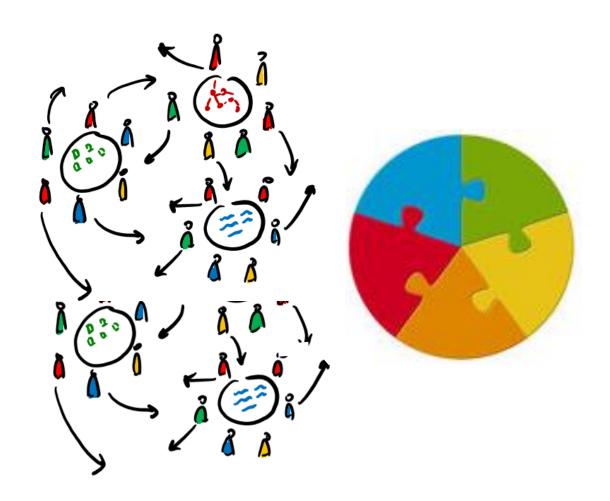


### Session structure

**Carousel** session with Ground Truth 2.0 partners:

- 5 different 'stations'
- 10 minutes per station (=50 min.)

Wrap up



### **5** Carousel stations

Social dimensions
Co-design method for
developing sustainable citizens
observatories

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Training citizen scientists & keeping them engaged to generate new knowledge for science and policy

Ian Thornhill, Earthwatch Inst.

#### **Citizen Observatories**



Citizen observatory for water quality management – the Swedish GT2.0 demo case

Tessy Cerratto-Pargman Stockholm University

#### **Enabling technologies**

Novel data acquisition & visualisation tools for citizen observatories

Thomas Bjelkeman-Pettersson *Akvo Foundation* 

Social media analytical tools to track the impacts and influences of citizen observatories

Nina Viereckel Gavagai

10 minutes per station



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