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**Stockholm Water Week Session
'Why waste water? Gearing up for World Water Day 2017'**

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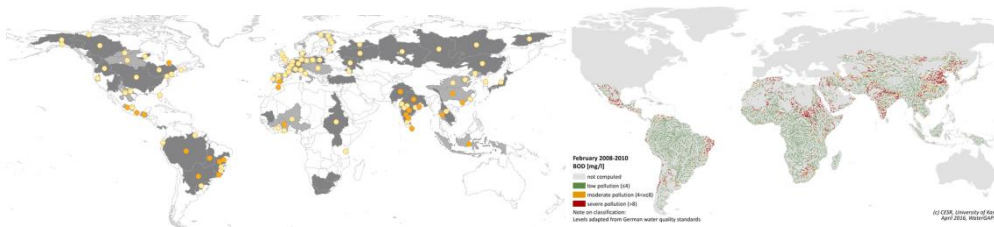
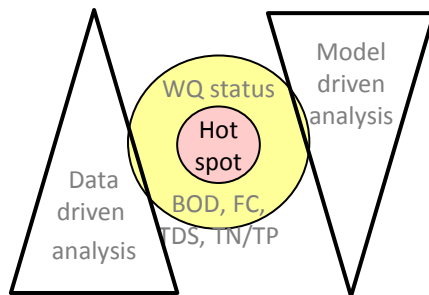
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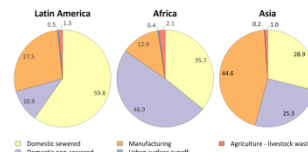
**Information on UN-Water Analytical Brief on
Water Quality Assessment**

Building blocks of a World Water Quality Assessment

A pre-study for a worldwide assessment



“Severe organic pollution already affects around one-seventh of all river stretches in Latin America, Africa and Asia”



A Snapshot of the World’s Water Quality: Towards a global assessment

- Immediate cause: growth in wastewater loadings
- Ultimate causes: population growth, economic development, intensification of agriculture and low levels of wastewater treatment
- A wide of range of management options available

Building blocks of a World Water Quality Assessment



Important step, but ...

... covers limited number of wq parameters and only surface waters

... incomplete geographic coverage

... data and information gaps

... lack of outlook of future water quality

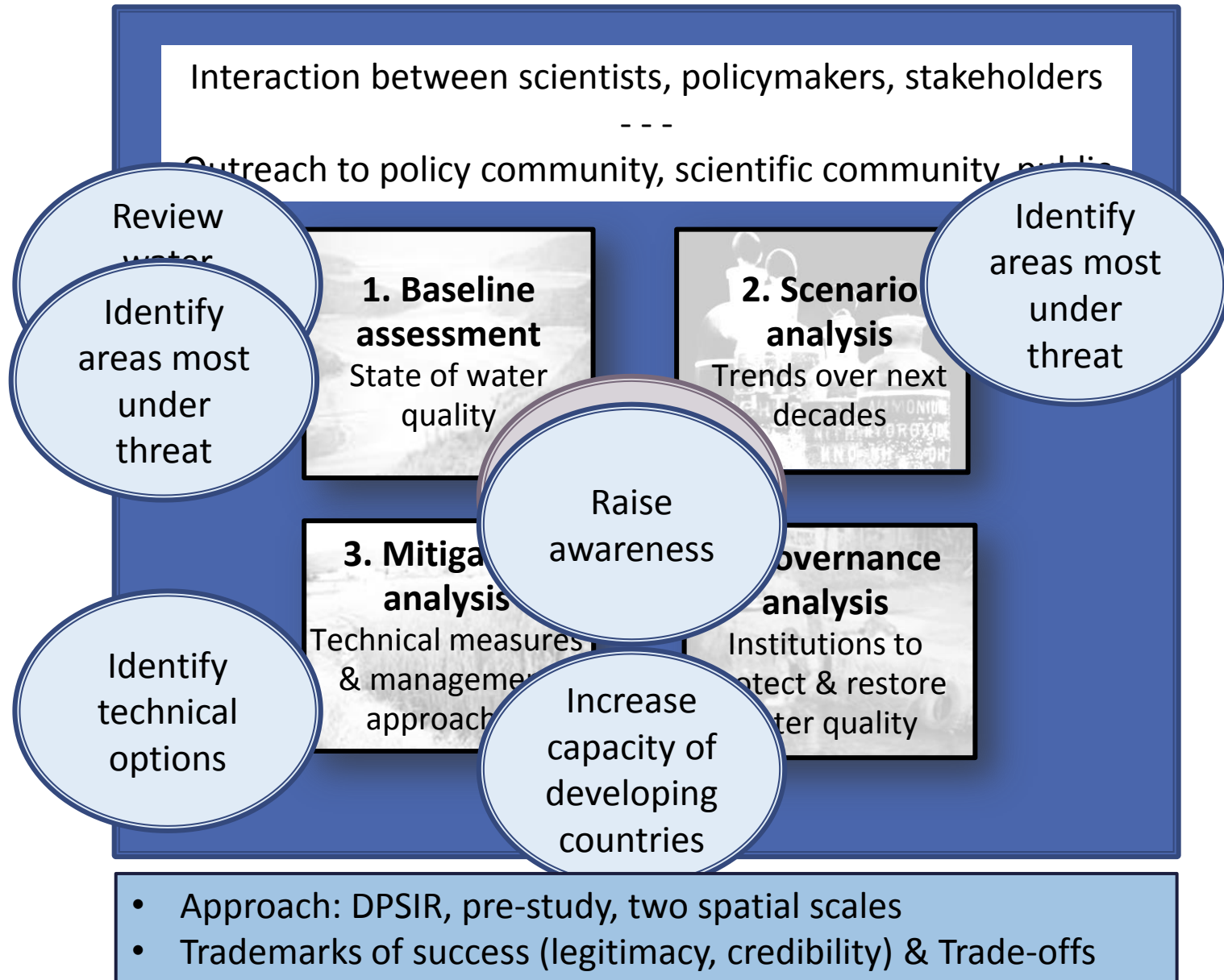
... only initial estimates of the link between water pollution and its impacts

... rough overview of technical and governance options

... very brief duration – no time for engagement

→ Provides preliminary results & methodological basis

Roadmap to a Worldwide Water Quality Assessment





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Available at Stockholm Water Week (UN-Water booth):

- Report on USB-stick
- Policy Brief

Internet:

- + all documents as pdf
- + interview video

<http://www.wwqa-documentation.info>