

# Water JPI Third Alignment Workshop

What is alignment?



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# **What is alignment?**

## **Some perspectives from the EC services**

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# Joint Programming

- ✓ "European research must focus on the Grand Challenges of our time moving beyond current rigid thematic approaches. This call for a new deal among European institutions and Member States, **in which European and national instruments are well aligned** and cooperation builds on transparency and trust" (Lund declaration 2009)
- ✓ "**By aligning and coordinating the institutional funding committed under national research programmes**, which account for 88% of the public research in Europe, we can better exploit our resources for maximal societal impacts" (Dublin Joint Programming Conference 2013)
- ✓ "**Alignment is the strategic approach taken by Member States to modify their national programmes, priorities or activities** as a consequences of the adoption of joint research priorities in the context of Joint Programming with a view to implement changes to improve efficiency of investments in research at the level of Member States and ERA" (High Level Group of Joint Programming)

# Alignment - Key issues

- ✓ What impacts on national R&I programmes, strategies and funding?
- ✓ Alignment to other national/regional policies?
- ✓ What impact on stakeholders beyond the traditional R&I communities?
- ✓ Which visibility?
- ✓ What impact on research capacity?
- ✓ What impacts at EU level beyond joint calls?
- ✓ How to better coordinate various water related EU P2Ps?

# Issues for future consideration

- ✓ What lessons learnt up to now?
- ✓ How can the coherence between current alignment instruments be improved, their impact further increased and the implementation simplified?
- ✓ How to achieve more stable long-term funding?
- ✓ How to focus on impact-based implementation?
- ✓ How to give more ambition to JPIs?



# Thank you for your attention!

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