



Ministry of Infrastructure  
and Water Management



Eindadvies Beleidstafel wateroverlast en hoogwater

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# Intensify cooperation cross-border flood risk management regional water systems (IGOS program)

Workshop on Extreme Rainfall and  
Storm Floods ICBR.

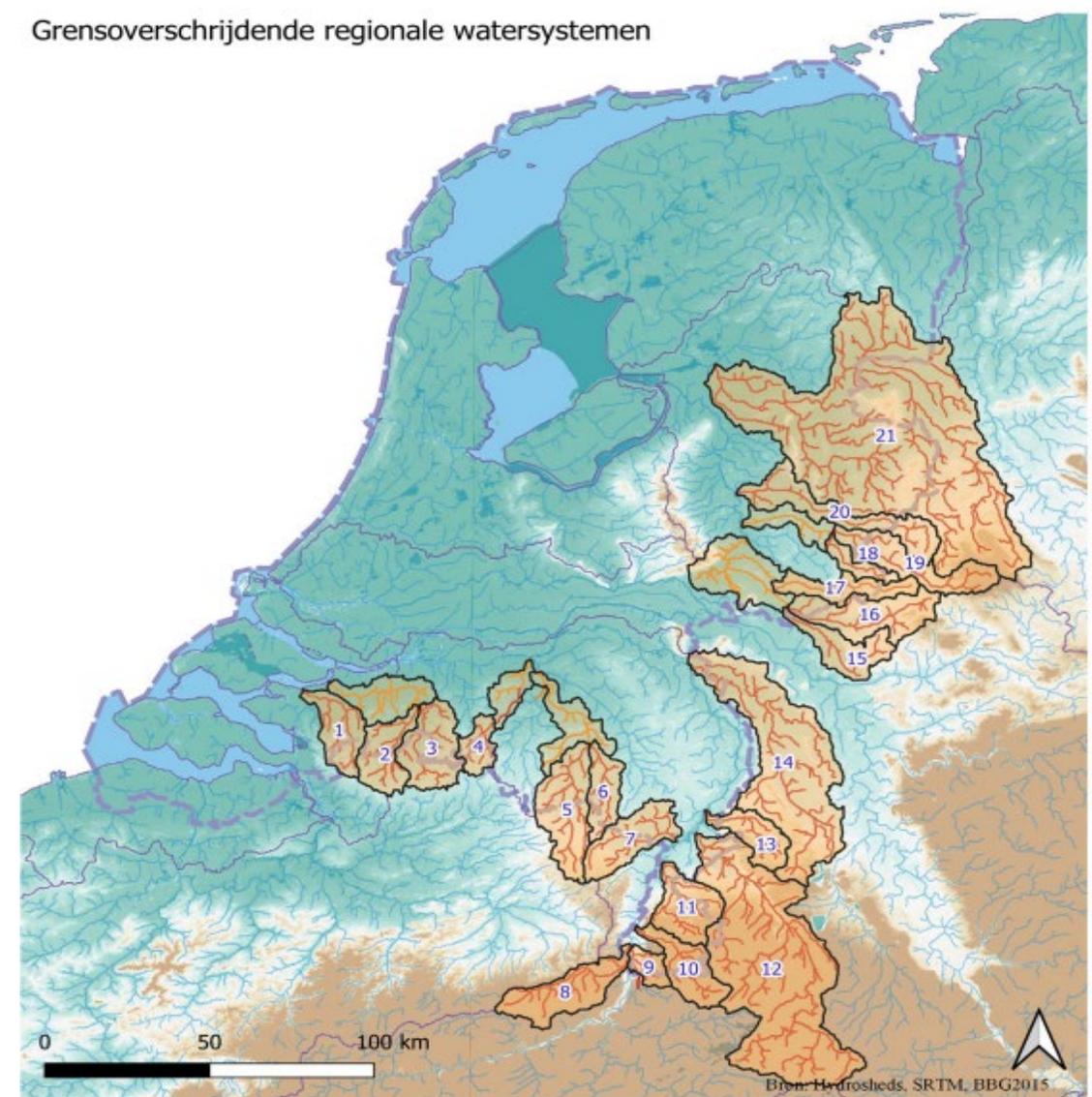
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# Recommendation: Cross-border stress tests

- Explore with neighboring countries whether cross-border stress tests can be conducted in border regions for regional water systems
- First develop methodologies/manuals for cross-border stress tests together with neighboring countries/border regions (pilots)

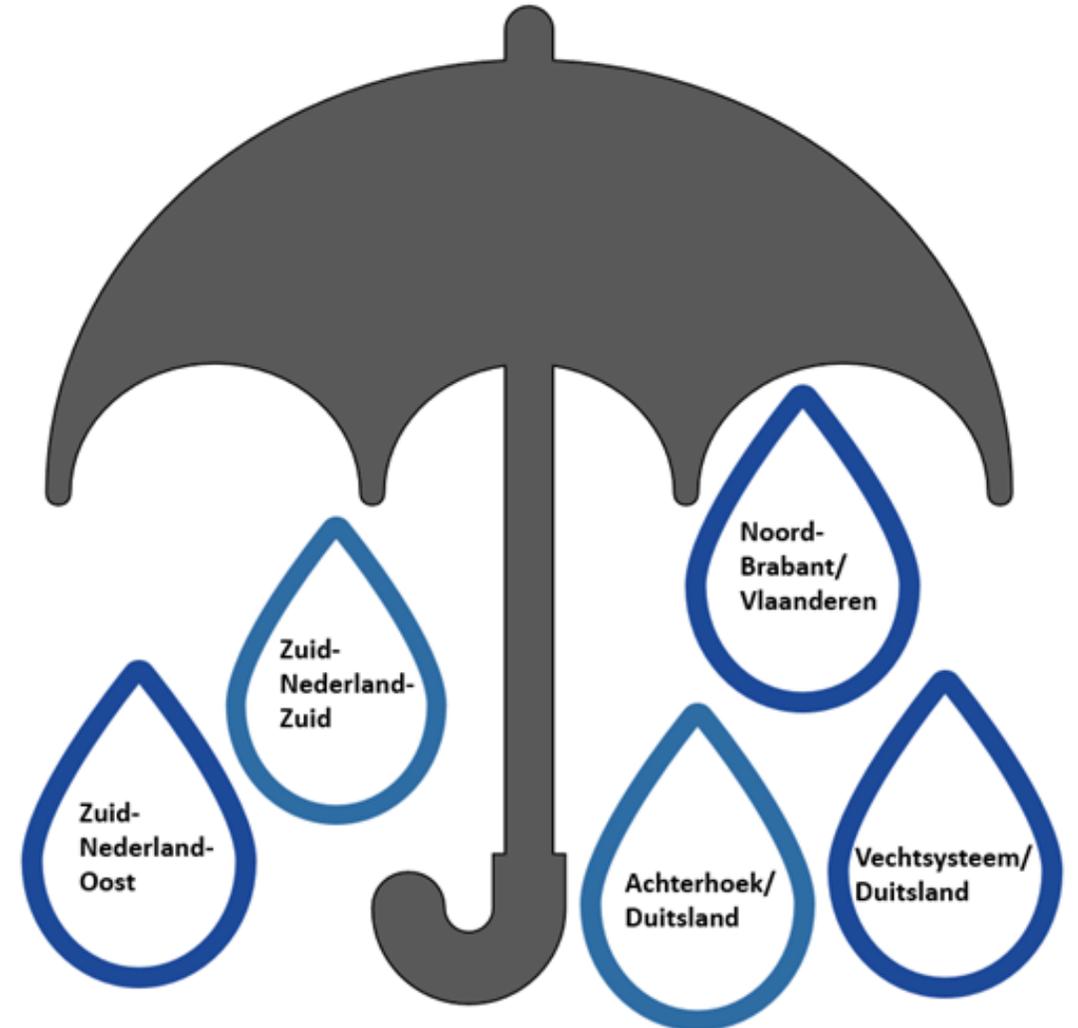


A Noord-Brabant België	B Zuid-Nederland Zuid België	C Zuid-Nederland Oost Duitsland	D Achterhoek Duitsland	E Vecht Duitsland
1 Watermolenbeek	7 Thornerbeek	11 Geleenbeek - Rode beek	15 Oude IJssel	21 Overijsselse Vecht
2 Aa of Weerijls	8 Jeker	12 Roer	16 Aa-strang	
3 Boven Mark	9 Voer	13 Swalm	17 Boven-Slinge	
4 Roversche Leij	10 Geul-Gulp	14 Niers	18 Beurzerbeek	
5 Dommel			19 Berkel	
6 Tongelreep			20 Buurserbeek	



# Recommendation: expand the common knowledge base

- Establish a cross-border project team per border region and strengthen dialogue with Lower Saxony and North Rhine-Westphalia, Wallonia, Flanders and other regions
- Compare cross-border regional area visions/approaches/work programs and look for commonalities that provide basis for cooperation
- Establish an international expert pool to develop a demand-driven enabling knowledge agenda for regional waters and conduct independent research (JCAR-ATRACE)





# JCAR-ATRACE

JCAR-ATRACE is an accompanying program of IGOS

Taking into account differences in governance and tasks by regional transboundary river basin

Bridge function between science and government (strengthen existing networks)

Support regional governments through tailored knowledge development and sharing and assurance (as needed)

Simplify procedures to engage expertise by multi-year nature

Innovative approach, € 8.5 mln. grant IenW 2024-2028

