

### **Guidance Documents under the Water Framework Directive, updated list**

Implementation of the Water Framework Directive raises a number of shared technical challenges for the Member States, the Commission, the Candidate and EEA Countries as well as stakeholders and NGOs. In addition, many of the European river basins are international, crossing administrative and political borders. Therefore a common understanding and approach is crucial to successful and effective implementation of the Directive.



In order to address the challenges in a co-operative and coordinated way, Member States, Norway and the Commission have agreed on a Common Implementation Strategy (CIS) for the Water Framework Directive only five months after the entry into force of the Directive.

One key result of this joint work are guidance documents and technical reports to assist stakeholders to implement the WFD.

Guidance Documents are intended to provide an overall methodological approach, but these will need to be tailored to specific circumstances of each country and region.

EWA News provides you the full updated list of Guidance Documents and other thematic documents, as well as links to the full versions of these documents.