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Measures to reduce unmet demand in the Nahr El-Kelb river basin: insight into the simulation process implemented

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Presentation Outline

- Basic definitions
- Process followed to design demand management options
- Demand management measures (concepts, definitions)
 - **Urban** sector
 - Agricultural sector
- Increase supply measures NWRM
- Next steps

Basic Definitions

Demand management: adoption of interventions and measures (technological, legislative, regulatory, financial, etc.) to achieve efficient water use by all sectors of the community (urban/domestic, agricultural, industrial, tourism, etc.)

Demand reduction/ water saving measures:

Measures targeting to reduce demand and/or introduce water conservation

For example: reduce leakage, install water saving fixtures, increase irrigation conveyance and field application efficiency, create incentives, water tariffs, water markets, taxes, etc.

Increase supply measures:

Measures targeting to increase water supply

For example: greywater and wastewater reuse, water recycling, desalination, rainwater and stormwater harvesting, natural water retention measures.

** Caution to potential environmental impacts

Stepwise process

Step 1 – POLICY ASSESSMENT	Policy relevant assessment of the water balance and unmet demand (per sector) in the area of interets based on the results of detailed water balance models and calculations
Step 2 – IDENTIFY DM OPTIONS	Identification of potential demand management (including increase supply) measures for the most important sectors (e.g. urban and agricultural sector)
Step 3 – DISCUSS OPTIONS, SCREENING	First dialogue with the stakeholders : presentation of the measures, discussion on their efficiency and implementability, identification of limitation, agreement on a list of "candidate measures"
Step 4 - ASSESS COST- BENEFIT	Simulation of the performance "candidate measures" against a physical-based model to assess their cost-benefit
Step 4 – PRIORITIZE, SET TARGETS	Second dialogue with the stakeholders: presentation of the modeled/ simulation outcomes, agreement and prioritizartion of measures based on specified criteria (PoM), setting of targets

Which measures?

Sectors	Measures for water saving and/or increasing supply
Urban	 Low water using appliances (low flow taps and shower heads, dual toilet flushes, efficient washing machines, dishwashers, etc.) Domestic Greywater Reuse (GWR) (increase supply) Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) (increase supply)
Agriculture	 Replacement of open canals with closed pipes Change of irrigation methods Switch to drip irrigation from sprinklers and/or furrow irrigation systems
Cross-cutting	 Natural Water Retention Measures (NWRM)/ Detention ponds Wastewater treatment and reuse (within or across sectors) Increase dam capacity * Economic Policy Instruments (EPIs), including water pricing reform (water metering is a pre-requisite)

At what scales?

Scales	Measures for water saving and/or increasing supply
Micro	Low water using appliances (low flow taps and shower heads, etc.) Domestic Greywater Reuse (GWR) on-site Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) on-site
Meso	Replacement of open canals with closed pipes Switch to drip irrigation from sprinklers qnd/or furrow irrigation systems Natural Water Retention Measures (NWRM), e.g. retention ponds Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) and storage
Macro	Wastewater treatment and reuse (within or across sectors) Dams Economic Policy Instruments (EPIs), including water pricing reform Changing land use/ crops

Urban measures - Water saving fixtures & techniques

Tap flow restrictors







Aerators





showerheads



Laminar flow Showerhead flow regulators



Aerating showerheads









Waterless urinals

Dual-flushing





Passive infrared sensor



Hydraulic valve

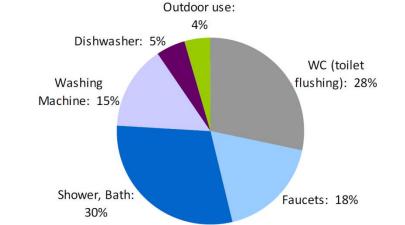


Urban measures - water saving fixtures

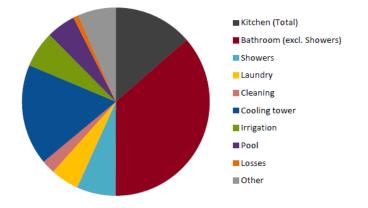
Water Using Product (WuP)	Consumption of "traditional" WuPs (It/use)	Consumption of "efficient" WuPs (lt/use)	Water Saving Potential (%)
Low flush WC	6-12 lt/flush	3-4,5 lt/flush	30-50%
Showerhead	25 lt/min; 25.7-60 lt/shower	6-14 lt/min	50-70%
Faucet aerator	13.5 lt/min; 2.3-5.8 lt/use	2-5 lt/min	40-65%
Dishwasher, AAA class	21.3-47 lt/load	load 7-19 lt/load	
Washing Machines, AAA class	39-117 lt/load	40 lt/load	40%

Average water consumption share of different household micro-components

Average water consumption share in commercial buildings

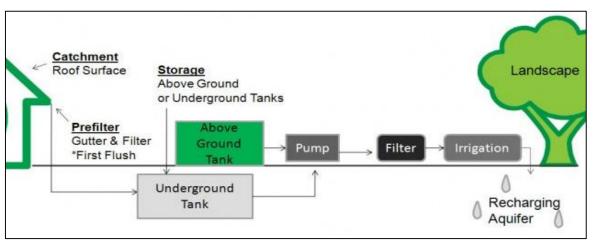


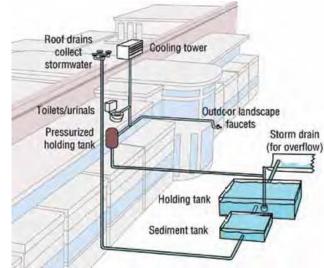
Microcomponents of water use



Urban measures - Domestic Rainwater Harvesting (RWH)

- Rainwater harvesting (RWH) is a **decentralized technique** of the collection and storage of rainwater for later use at or near the point where water is needed or used.
- Harvested rain water can be utilized for several purposes: washing, gardening, flushing and even drinking.
- Although rainwater is relatively clean and the quality is usually acceptable for many purposes, filtration and disinfection is usually appropriate
- A RWH system, which collects runoff from the roof, generally consists of a catchment area (generally the roof area), a filter, a storage tank, a supply network, pipes and an overflow unit (Environmental Agency 2008).





Urban measures - Domestic Rainwater Harvesting (RWH)

Benefits:

- Meet water demand when no other water sources are available
- Reduction of potable water consumption from the mains
- High collection and distribution efficiency
- Self sufficiency (less dependency on distant water courses).
- Reduction of flood risk (reduction of economic losses).
- Enhance rational utilization of water through decentralized systems
- Rain water can also be directed to recharge the aquifer thus increasing the ground water table

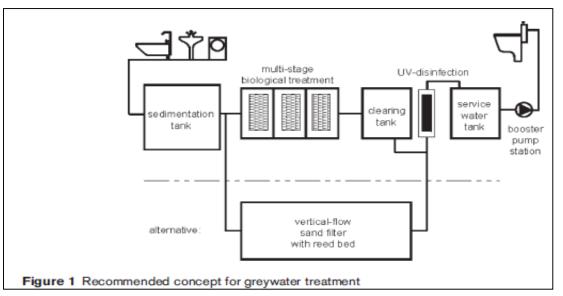
Cost effectiveness:

1 US gal=3.78 lt

- Great variation in capital costs because of options in terms of size, type of tank, and whether or not a pump is needed.
- Range: from \$1.50 \$3.00/gal of storage (for simple systems) to \$3.5 \$8/gal for more sophisticated systems (EPA,2013)
 - The **storage tank size** is by far the largest factor of the total installation cost.
- Typical payback period is between 2 to 7 years
- The volume of water that is actually saved depends on the supply and demand for water.
- The amount of money saved depends on the price of water and the maintenance
- Approximately 0.62 gallons of water can be collected per square foot of collection surface per inch of rainfall (0.025 m3 per m2). In practice, however, assume an efficiency of 80%. (loses from first flush, evaporation from the roof surface, splash-out from the gutters)
- Annual production potential:

Urban measures - Domestic Greywater Reuse (GWR)

- GWR systems can vary significantly from simple, low-cost appliances that harvest greywater and convey it for direct use (e.g. in toilets and gardens), to composite systems integrating specialized treatment processes
- Cost and energy required can also vary, increasing mainly as more and better treatment is involved
- Water saving potential: variable, a reduction of 16-40% of potable water use is expected
- GWR systems are more suitable for new-built developments, as retrofitting existing systems can be more expensive



Requirements of a GWR for 280 users				
Tank height	1.89 m			
Required min. room height	2.39 m			
System surface	about 15.0 m2			
Installation surface	max. 25.0 m2			
Suited for # of users	about 280			
Recycling capacity	10,000 lt/day			

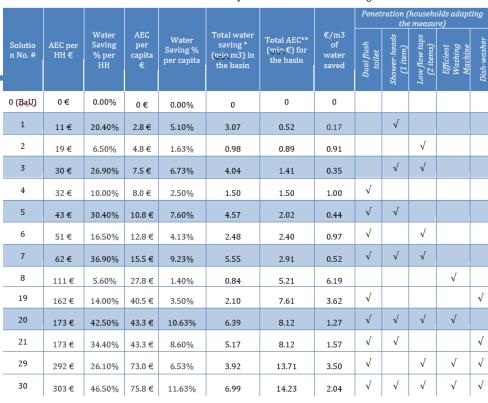
Urban measures

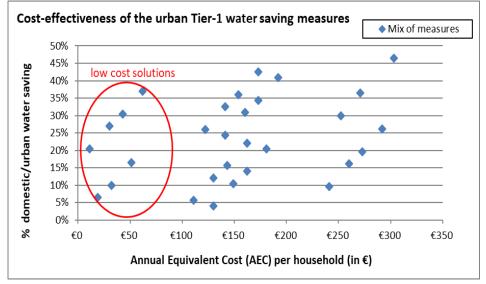
Wa	ter Saving Measure	Performance (% water saving)	HH Micro- component targeted	HH Micro- component share (%)	Unit Cost €	AEC €	Expected water saving as % of total HH consumpt.
	Dual Flush Toilet	40 %	WC	25 %	170 €	32 €	10 %
	Showerheads	60 %	Bath +	34 %	30 €		20.4 %
	replacement		Shower			11 €	
#1	Low flow taps (2	50 %	Faucets	13 %	50 €		6.5 %
e i	items)					19 €	
Tier	Efficient Washing	40 %	Washing	14 %	600€		5.6 %
	machine		Machine			111 €	
	Dishwasher	50 %	Dishwasher	8 %	700 €	130 €	4 %
			Outdoor use	6%			
	Tier #1 TOTAL			100 %	1,550 €	303 €	46.5 %
	Rainwater	40 %	WC, washing	29 %	2,500 €	356 €	11.6 %
#2	Harvesting ¹	(incl. rainy	machine,				
		months)	outdoors				
Tier	Greywater Reuse ²	22 %	WC,	21 % (15%	3,500€	498€	4.6 %
			outdoors	WC + 6%			
				outdoors)			
	Tier #2 TOTAL			44 %	6,000€	854€	16.2 %
	GRAND TOTAL				7,550€	1,158€	62.7 %

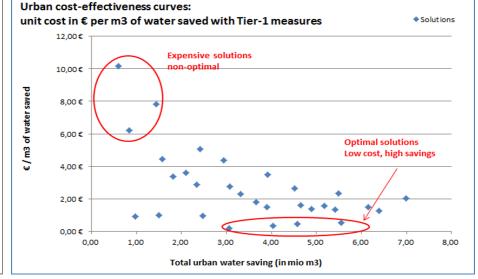
$$AEC = \frac{r(1+r)^n}{(1+r)^n - 1} \times Inv + OMC$$

Urban measures' intervention curves – Tier 1

- Optimum solutions: 1,3,5,7,20. Easy and low cost to achieve conservation 20% (11 €/hh AEC)
- To achieve 37% the cost is still affordable (62 €/hh AEC)
- Above that level, the cost is increasing rapidly (introduction of relatively expensive measures as washing machines) and the equivalent unit cost exceeds 1€/m3 of water saved so the solutions cannot be considered as

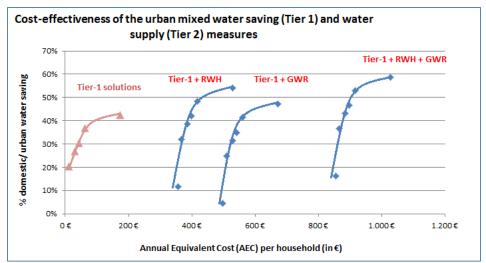


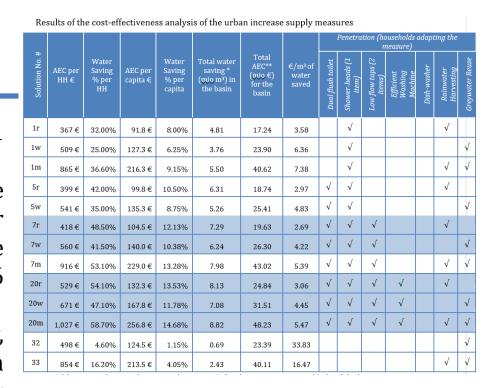


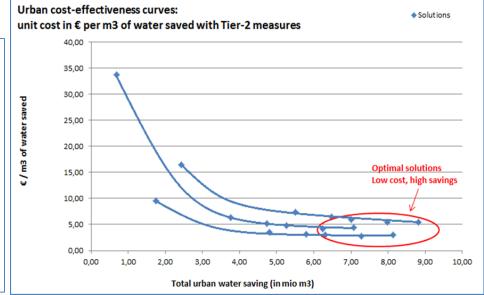


Urban measures' intervention curves – Tier 2

- GRW and RWH on top of the Tier-1 measures – INDEPENDANCY from mains
- Optimal solutions: No. 7r and 20r, since they deliver among the highest water savings (48.50% and 54.10%) with the lowest unit costs of AEC 2.69 and 3.06 €/m3 of water saved
- Additional good solutions: No. 7w, 20w, and 20m (max saving 58.7% per hh, with a unit cost of 5.47 €/m3 of water saved (or AEC 1,027€/hh).







Urban measures: selected solutions for simulation

- Optimum Tier-1 solutions: 1, 3, 5, 7, 20
- Optimum Tier-2 solutions: 7r, 7w, 20r, 20w, 20m (on top of Tier-1)
- Applied in all 9 urban nodes: ~188,000 people; 47,000 hh; water use rate 80 m3/yr/pp
- The measures have not been implemented in Beirut, since the target is to save water from the El-Kelb basin consumption so that more water could be available for Beirut

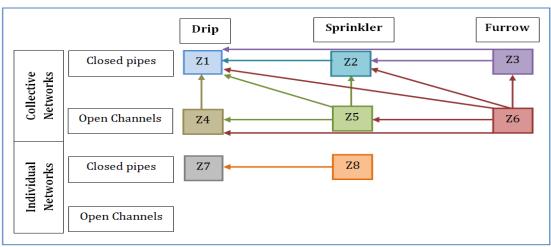
Urban measures: selected solutions for simulation

n	Annual		Penetration (households adapting the measure)				
Solution No.#	Equivalent Cost (AEC) per capita €	Water Saving per capita %	Dual flush toilet	Shower- heads (1 item)	Low flow taps (2 items)	Efficient Washing Machine	Dish- washer
1	2.8 €	5.10%		$\sqrt{}$			
3	7.5 €	6.73%					
5	10.8 €	7.60%					
7	15.5 €	9.23%					
20	43.3 €	10.63%					

No.	Annual	Water	Penetration (households adapting the measure)						
Solution M	Equivalent Cost (AEC) per capita €	Saving per capita	Dual flush toilet	Showerh eads (1 item)	Low flow taps (2 items)	Efficient Washing Machine	Dishwas her	Rainwate r Harve ting	Greywate r Reuse
7r	104.5 €	12.13%			$\sqrt{}$			$\sqrt{}$	
7w	140.0 €	10.38%							
20r	132.3 €	13.53%							
20w	167.8 €	11.78%							
20m	256.8 €	14.68%				$\sqrt{}$			√

Agricultural measures – Increase irrigation efficiency

Different options to improve conveyance efficiency and/or field application efficiency
 Schematic representation of the optimization process



Aggregated values for irrigation efficiency (conveyance and field application)

Irrigation Method	Irrigation method's efficiency	Technology penetration (current)			nology on (future)
	eniclency	Mountain	Coastal	Mountain	Coastal
Surface irrigation	60%	30%	40%	10% ↓	10% ↓
Sprinkler irrigation	75%	30%	40%	20% ↓	20% ↓
Drip irrigation	90%	40%	20%	70% ↑	70% ↑
Combined irrigation efficiency		76.5%	72%	84% (+7.5)	84% (+12%)

Irrigation Network	Network conveyance efficiency	Network type penetration (current)		Network type (futi	
Network	efficiency	Mountain	Coastal	Mountain	Coastal
Groundwater	75% (25% losses)	40%	60%	20% ↓	20% ↓
Open channels	65% (35% losses)	30%	30%	10% ↓	10% ↓
Closed pipes	90% (10% losses)	30%	10%	70% ↑	70% ↑
Combined network	76.5%	73.5%	84.5% (+8%)	84.5% (+11)	

Agricultural measures - Precision Agriculture

Precision Agriculture (PA)

Soil moisture sensors, watering based on specific needs/ schedule

Costs associated with implementing Precision Agriculture (PA)

Cost items	Unit price (€)	Cost for 100 ha (€)	Cost per hectare (€/ha)
Yield monitor (1 item per 100 ha)	7,000	7,000	70
Soil moisture sensor (160 items per 100 ha)	35	5,600	56
Data logger (10 items per 100 ha)	200	2,000	20
Atmometer (10 items per 100 ha)	350	3,500	35
Sum of equipment cost	181		
Drip irrigation modernization	650		
Total cost for implementing PA	831		
AEC (for a useful life n=5 years, and r=0.07)	202.67		
Savings from reduced fertilisers' use (~30 kg N/	-39		
Savings from energy bills (reduced pumping)	-8		
Net total cost for implementing PA (suggested	156 €/ha		

• **Deficit Irrigation (DI):** Application of water below the ET requirement

It is based on the concept that in areas where water is the most limiting factor, maximizing Crop Water Productivity (CWP) may be economically more profitable for the farmer than maximizing yields

Agricultural measures: selected solutions for simulation

- Converting from furrow or sprinkler to **drip irrigation**:
 561 ha in mountain and 965 in coastal areas → **1,526 ha total**
- Converting from open channels to closed pipes:
 748 ha in mountain and 1,158 in coastal areas → 1,906 ha total

Cost items used in the simulation	Annual Equivalent Cost AEC per hectare (in €)	Tota AEC (in €)
Converting to drip irrigation (useful life	347 €/ha	529,522 €
= 20 years)		
Implementing Precision Agriculture (PA)	156 €/ha	
in existing drip irrigation systems		
(useful life = 5 years)		
Converting from open channels to closed	390 €/ha	743,340 €
pipes (useful life = 50 years)		
Total Annual Equivalent Cost for	1,272,862 €	

Water Metering

You can't manage what you don't measure!!

- Average consumption volumes in absolute terms are ambiguous to report, since dependent on the number occupants (or employees) in each building, frequency of use & habits, existing leakage losses, etc.
- Metering of micro-components prior to decision-making is encouraged
- Meters and submeters can be integrated into a centralized building management system, making it easy to track usage and implement water saving measures
- They can also detect and trigger alerts for leaks or other operational anomalies



Increase supply - Natural Water Retention Measures (NWRM)

http://nwrm.eu/

Basins and ponds require a large accessible area that is relatively flat and with an appropriatelysized drainage catchment. They can be installed in any type of area (urban, forest, agricultural...).

Account should be taken of natural features that could be used to form the basin and/or provide additional storage areas in order to minimise the need for artificial landscaping

Detention & Retention basins temporarily store runoff, then releasing it at a slower rate downstream, e.g. in to a receiving watercourse. The capacity to store runoff is dependent on the design of the basin, which can be sized to accommodate any size of rainfall event. Typical construction costs in range from \$20 to \$40 per m3 of storage.

Biophysical Impacts		Rating	Evidence
Slowing & Storing Runoff	Store Runoff	High	Volume of runoff storage: Total volume of the basin/volume available in the pond (total volume minus the volume of water already there before the rain event). No long term storage for the basins. For the pond, the potential storage is equal to the total volume of the pond. Peak flow reduction estimated to be between 15-30% for the Northumberland (Rural runoff attenuation in the Belford catchment, UK) project
	Slow Runoff	High	
	Store River Water	None	Storing of surface runoff only (system not connected to a river)
	Slow River Water	None	Storing of surface runoff only (system not connected to a river)



Increase supply measures' simulation (meso-scale)

- Detention/ retention ponds for the urban sector: not simulated due to water quality constraints (unsuitable for domestic water use except landscaping and land requirement/ acquisition constraints
- Detention basins for the agricultural sector of 100-150 m3 capacity and 1km2 drainage area and a total of around 20 ponds per subcatchment/demand site: it is too small to be captured by the model (the combined total contribution is around less than 0.01% of most demands) unless you add 1,000 -10,000 ponds. Also a lot of assumptions to account for monthly runoff sources and inflow in sites where the topography is beneficial. Capital construction costs €30 per m3 of volume provided for storage, maintenance costs €3 per m2 of basin, useful life 9w30 years, and thus the resulting AEC is €5.83/m3/year.

Increase supply measures' simulation (macro-scale)

- Bourj-Hamoud WWTP
 Treated effluent suitable for agricultural purposes
 WWTP capacity: expected to serve 2.2 million PE; 200 lt per capita →
 Estimated capacity ~0.5 million m3/day
 Linked to all urban demand nodes, to be operational in 2025
- Boqaata DamTo be operational in 2025Reservoir capacity 6 MCM