



**Specialist Group**  
Statistics and  
Economics

# WORKSHOP

Current Status & Financial Strategies of  
Water Utilities in the World

## INTRODUCTION

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Ed Smeets



International  
Water Association

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INTERIM-MANAGEMENT & CONSULTANCY



# CONTENT OF PRESENTATION

- IWA
- Specialist Group Statistics and Economics



# IWA: CHARACTERISTICS

- Association of companies and individuals; network of water professionals (>10,000) in 130 countries
- Covering entire water cycle
- +/- 50 Specialist Groups
- High quality series of conferences
- Renowned International journals, publications, website



# IWA: THE NETWORK



# IWA SOLUTIONS THROUGH INNOVATIONS

IWA runs programmes on issues considered critical:

- Cities of the future
- Basins of the future
- Urban sanitation
- Water, climate and energy
- Water supply services



# SPECIALIST GROUPS IN GENERAL: CHARACTERISTICS

- Specialist Groups lie at the heart of IWA
- Membership is open to all IWA members
- Develop international specialist networks and contacts
- Contribute to research and practice in scientific, technical or management areas
- Disseminate knowledge and information
  - by organising/contributing to conferences/workshops
  - by report/disseminate conclusions in IWA publications



# SPECIALIST GROUP STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS

## Topics

- All economical and financial issues of water industry (tariffs, efficiency, micro economics, finance of utilities, cost coverage, etc.)
- Periodical world wide surveys and providing analysis/statistics on all kind of economical and financial issues



# SPECIALIST GROUP STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS

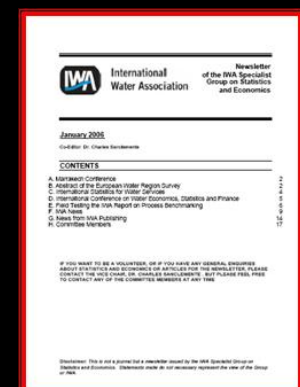
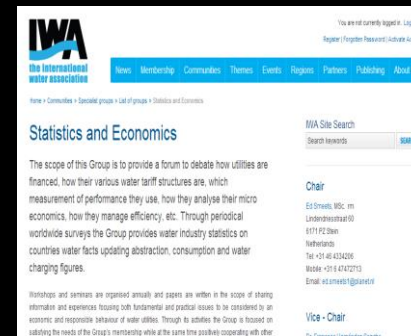
- 700 members
- +/- 20 active members (from universities, regulators, utilities, consultants, associations, etc.)
- Self-managed by chair, vice-chair, secretary and Management Committee (= active members)
- 2 times per year meetings to discuss program/activities, to do work and to have some fun; in between meetings all activities per mail/phone
- all work is free-time and self-financed





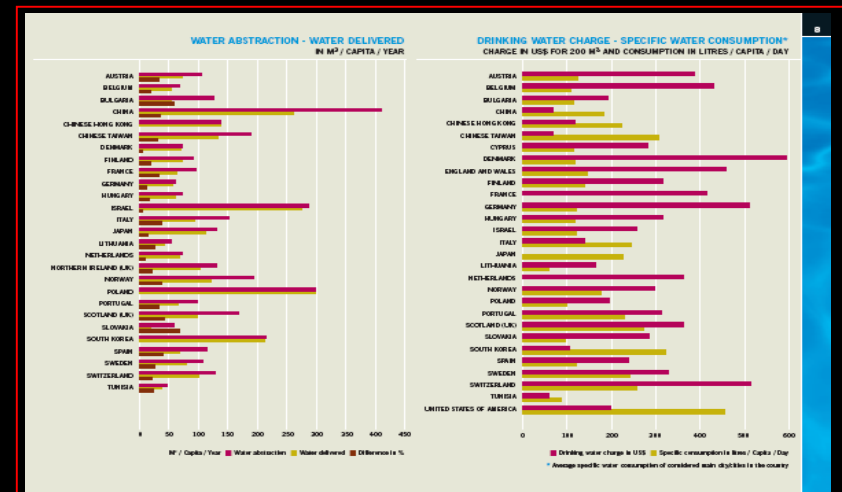
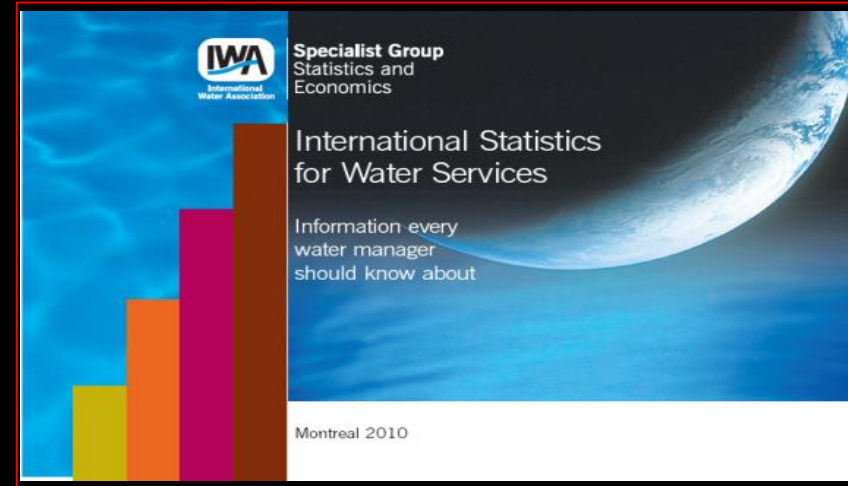
# SPECIALIST GROUP STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS

- Chairman:
  - Ed Smeets, (*Netherlands*)
- Vice chair:
  - Doru Popa, (*Rumania*)
- Secretary:
  - Maria Molinos (*Spain*)
- Working Groups
  - Statistics
  - Tariff and Finance
  - Water Economics
  - International Conferences



# SPECIALIST GROUP STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS

- Working Group on Statistics
  - Leader:
    - Jan Hammenecker,
    - Belgium*

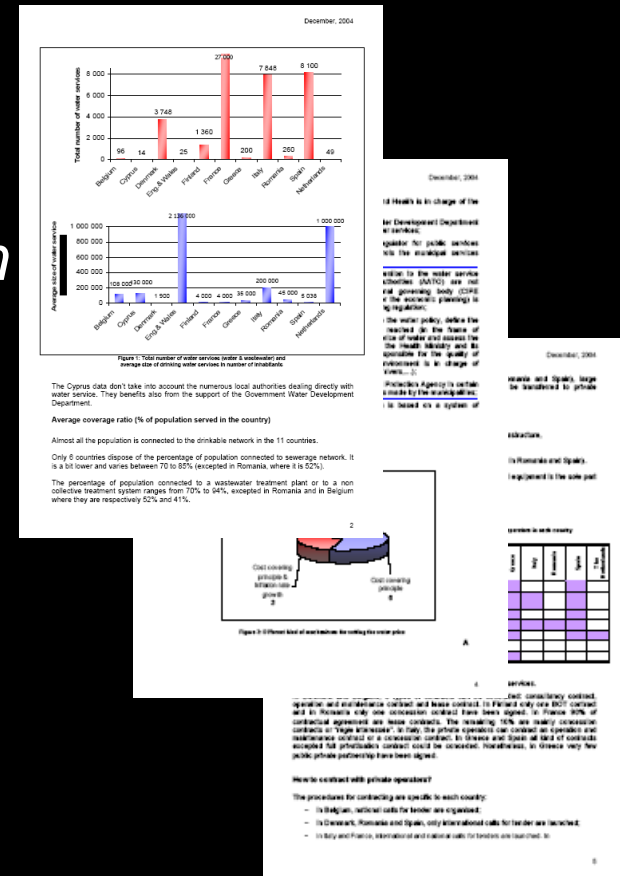


- Working Group on Tariffs and Finance
  - Leader:  
Doru Popa, *Rumania*



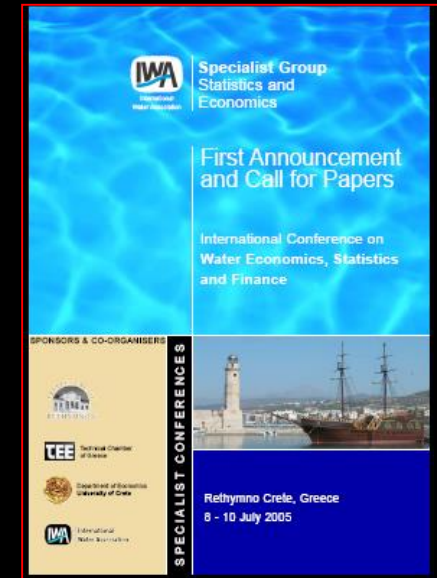
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- Working Group on Water Economics
  - Leader: Francesc Hernandez, *Spain*



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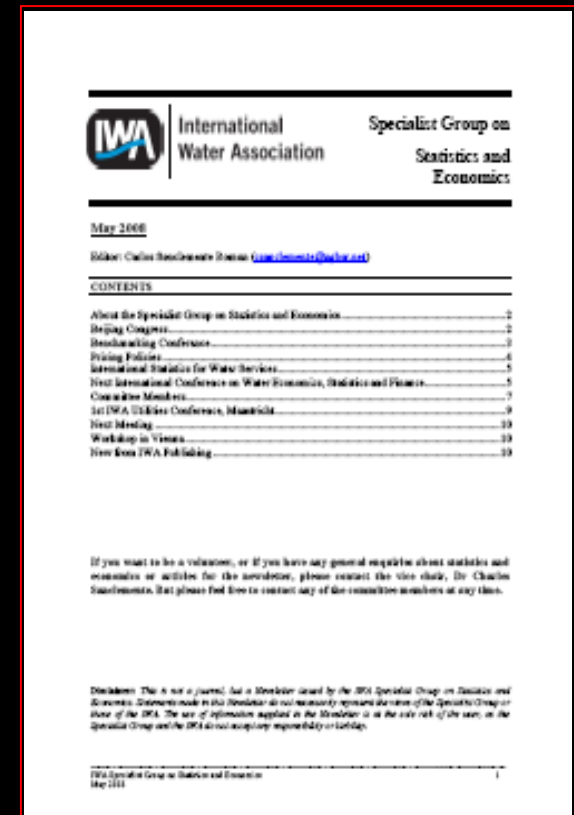
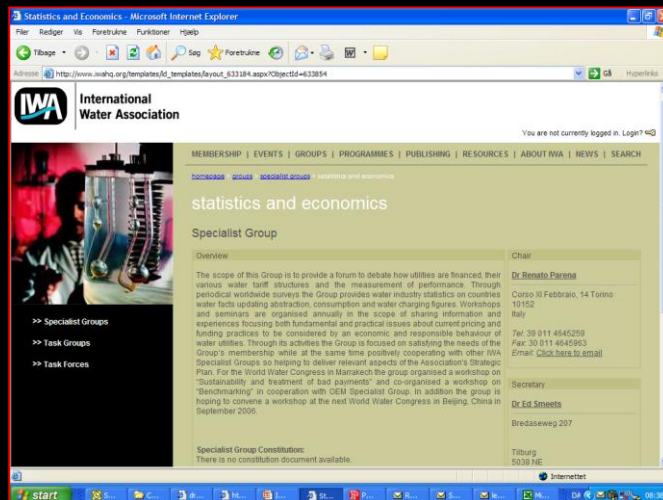
- Working Group on International Conferences
  - Leader:  
Konstantinos P. Tsagarakis, *Greece*





# SPECIALIST GROUP S & E: NEWSLETTER

- On the web page to update SG's members and the IWA community with ongoing activities



# SPECIALIST GROUP S & E: WORKSHOP

## Policy SG

- Two meetings per year hosted by member in home country
- Possibility to organize simple workshop
- Topics to decide by host
- Speakers from SG and home country
- Ultimate goal is to learn from each other



# SPECIALIST GROUP S & E: WORKSHOP

Presentations in workshop

- different countries
- different situations
- different solutions

Ultimate goal workshop

**TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER**

*AND TO CONTRIBUTE*

**TO GIVE ALL THE PEOPLE ACCESS TO SAFE  
DRINKING WATER AND RESPONSIBLE  
TREATMENT OF WASTEWATER**





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