



# Solutions for Water Industries



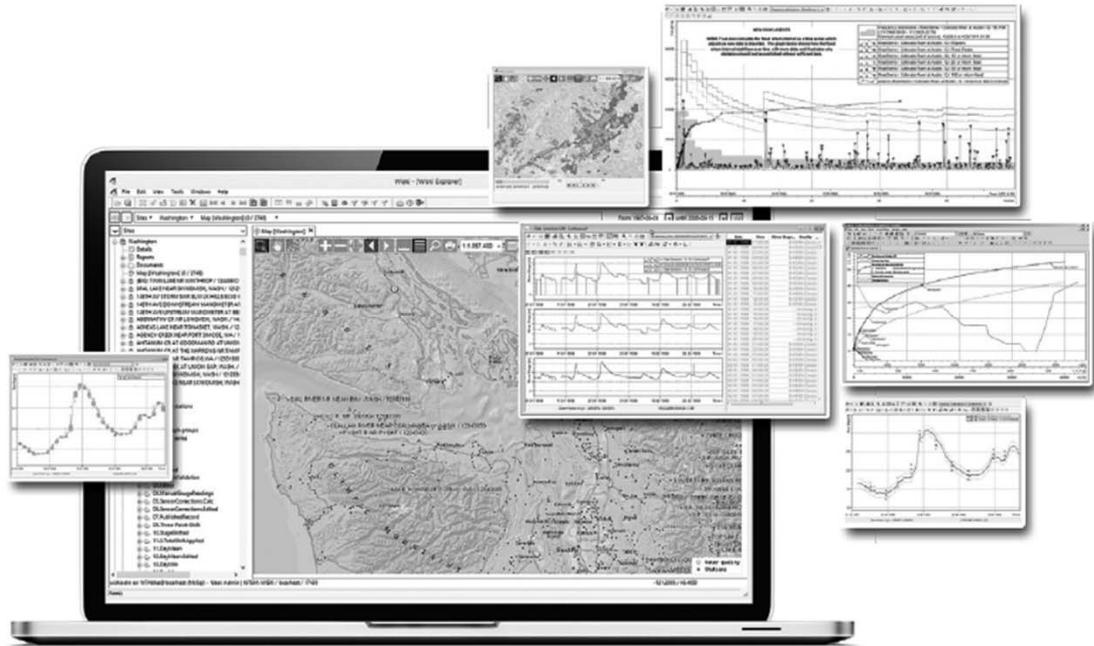


# GEMStat - The New Global Water-Quality Web-Portal

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# Introduction



## A few words about KISTERS

- Software Developers specializing in Time Series and Environmental Data Management
- Headquartered in Aachen Germany, with NA offices in Sacramento, Colorado, Ohio, & Toronto
- 30+ years of commercial off the shelf implementations in over 50 countries

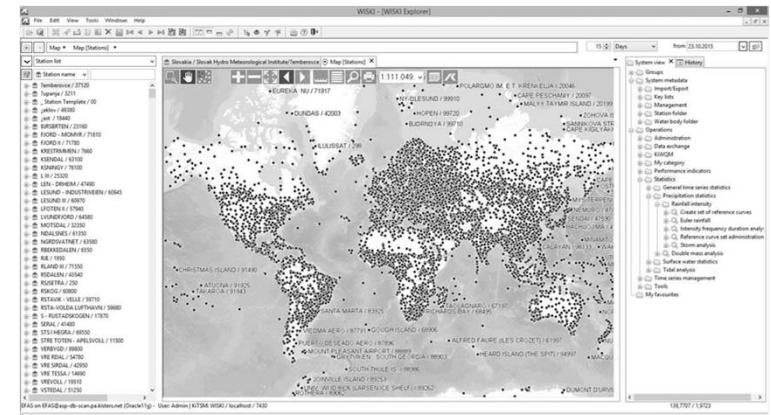
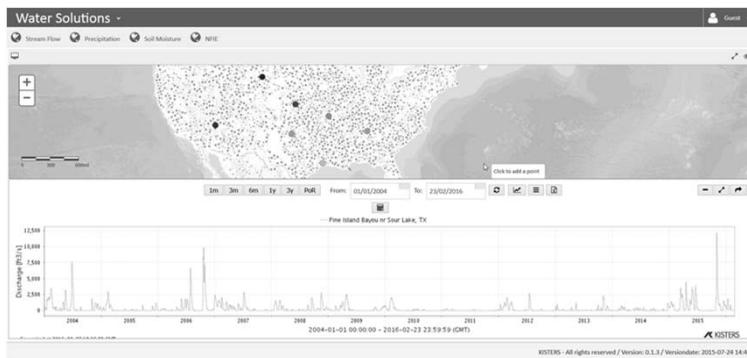


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## Partners and cooperations

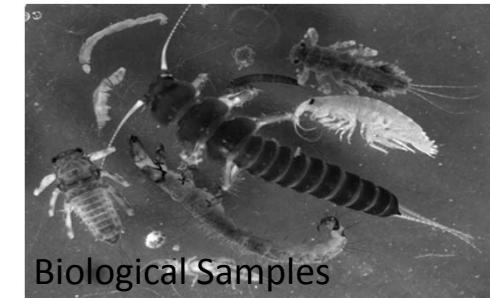
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# Water Solution Area

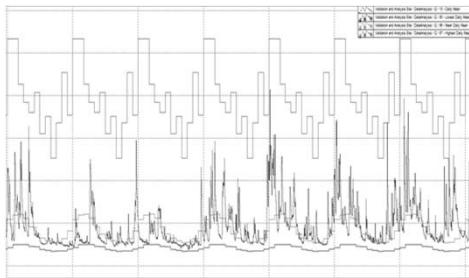


- All-in-one system



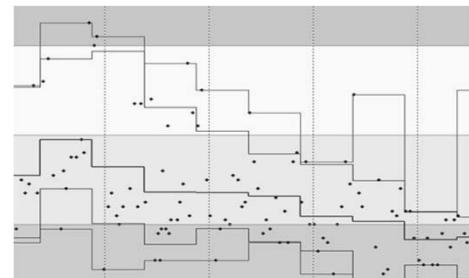
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Managing of continuously measured environmental data



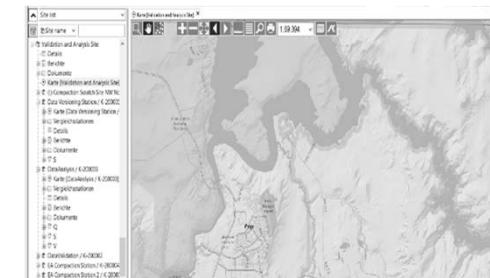
## KiWQM

Managing of physical-chemical sampling data



## KIECO

Managing of biological observation data

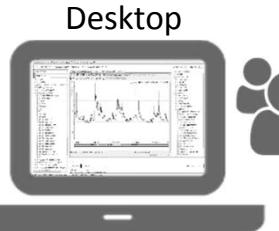


# KISTERS Technology Stack



Water data management for experts

**Specialists**  
Government, Authorities,  
Flood centers,  
Power plant operators



**Interfaces**  
Open standards, Industry standards



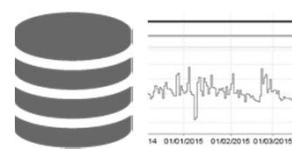
**Interfaces**  
Open standards, Industry standards

**Products**

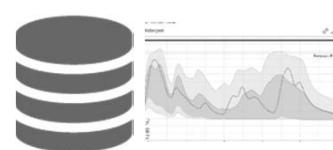
Water quality reports, Year books, Extreme-value statistics, Retention periods, Base flow, Water quality maps, Alarm maps, Forecasts



Meta data



Time series data



Ensemble data



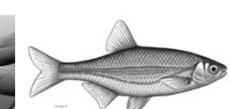
Raster data/“Gridded Data”



Samplings



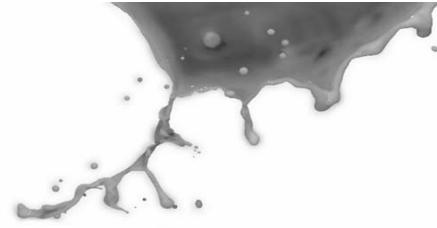
Observations



# What is GEMStat?



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- United Nations Global Environment Monitoring System Water Program (GEMS/Water)
- Mission is to support global, regional, and national environmental assessment and reporting processes on the state and trends of water resources
- Providing access to quality-assured data and information on water quality in freshwater ecosystems worldwide
- These data are used in water assessments and capacity building initiatives around the world.

- GEMS/Water is committed to maintaining a database of consistent and reliable quality. This database is called GEMStat.



# What is GEMStat?

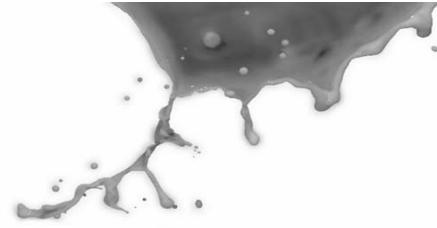


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- GEMStat is designed to share surface and ground water quality data sets collected from the GEMS/Water Global Network.
- The GEMStat component will be hosted by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) through the German Federal Institute for Hydrology (FIH).



# What is GEMStat?



- More than 100 countries participate in GEMS/Water, providing data for more than 3,700 stations, over 100 determinands and close to 4.3 million data records. Data records range from 1977 to the present.
- The water quality data and associated information is submitted to GEMStat by national focal points of governmental agencies, and collaborating focal points of non-governmental agencies.



# GEMStat goals



- Quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) are integral components of all aspects of GEMStat.
- GemStat has to ensure the validity and reliability of the data and information being provided to UN water quality assessments or other users by
  - *verifying the integrity of existing data,*
  - *verifying the quality of incoming data and*
  - *providing appropriate selection and use of the data.*



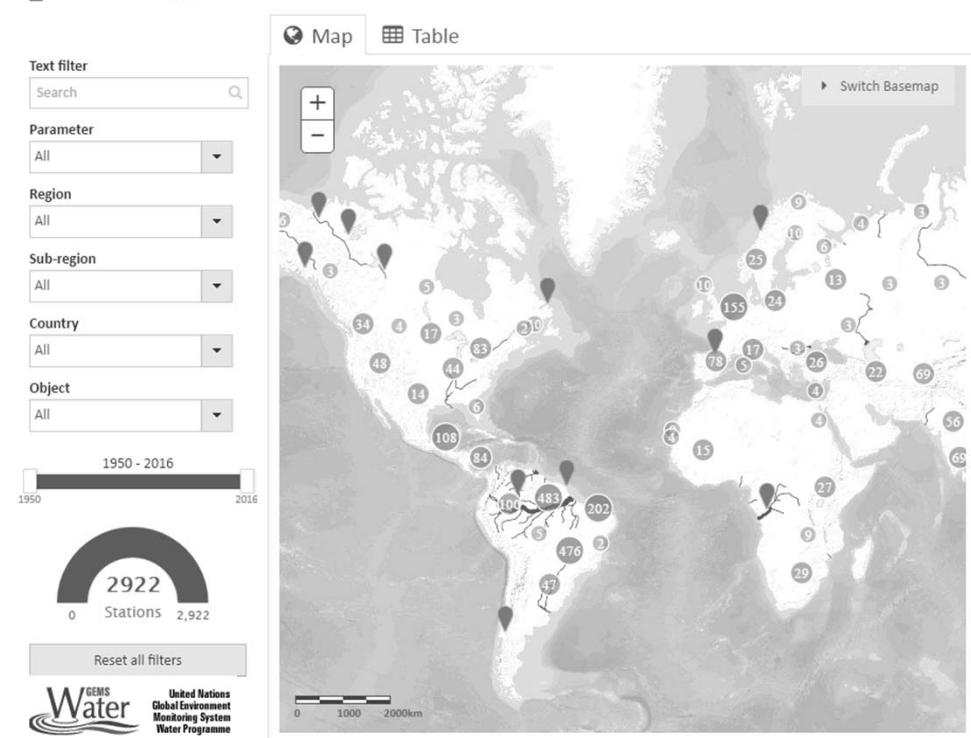
# The GEMStat project

- After 35 years of successful operation of the global water quality database GEMStat in Canada, the German Federal Institute for Hydrology (FIH) took over supporting the operation of GEMStat as of April 1st, 2014.
- FIH decided to update the data storage and management component as well as the representation of the data, including the data download portal.



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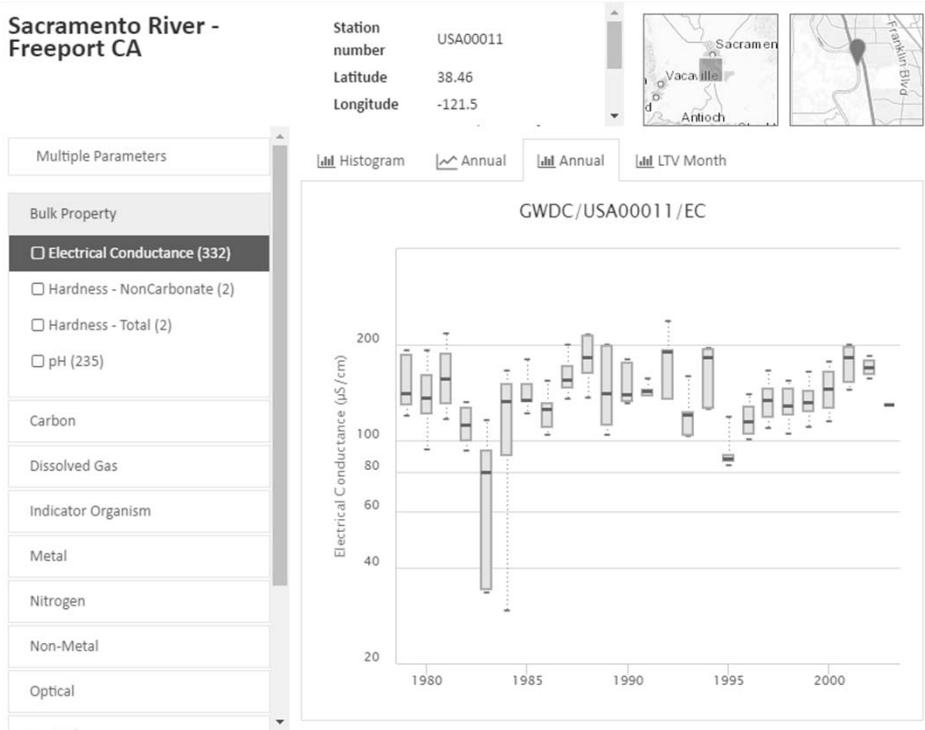
# The GEMStat project

- The data storage, management and analysis system should be replaced by an Off-the-Shelf water quality software, which is designed
  - *to manage, validate and analyze discrete sampling data along with continuously measured real time sensor data,*
  - *takes advantage of flexible data structuring, calculations, scripting and graphing functionalities and*
  - *offers an advanced user administration.*

→ KISTERS 'off-the-shelf' Water Quality Solution



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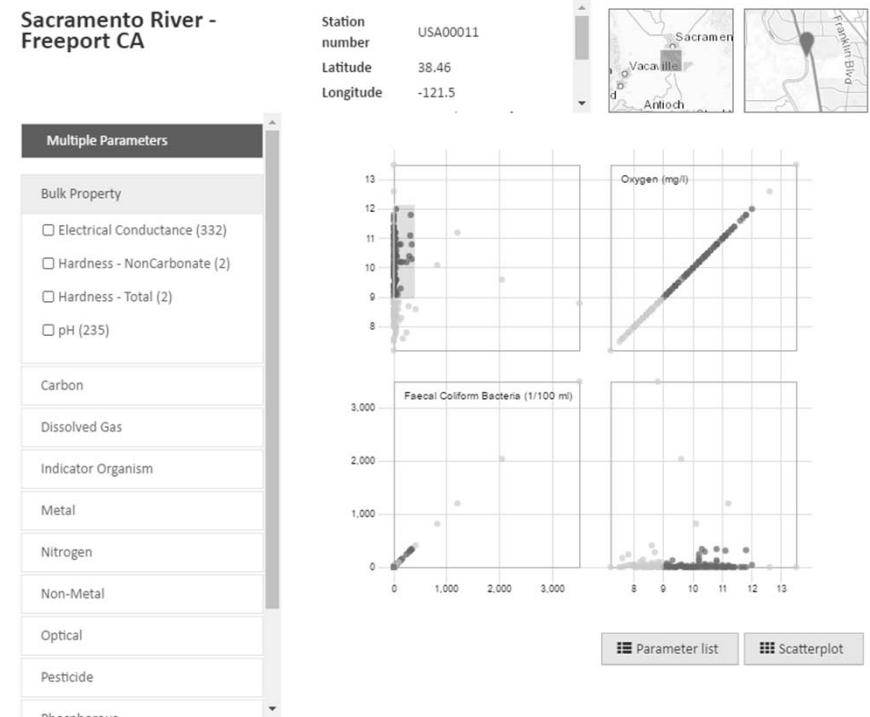
# The GEMStat project

- The GEMStat portal has to
  - *provide a user-friendly, intuitive and high performant solution for serving the public with standard data products (e.g. statistics or reports) and*
  - *data suppliers and experts with advanced functionality (e.g. index calculation on station, catchment or country levels).*

→ Development of the KISTERS Water Quality Web Portal



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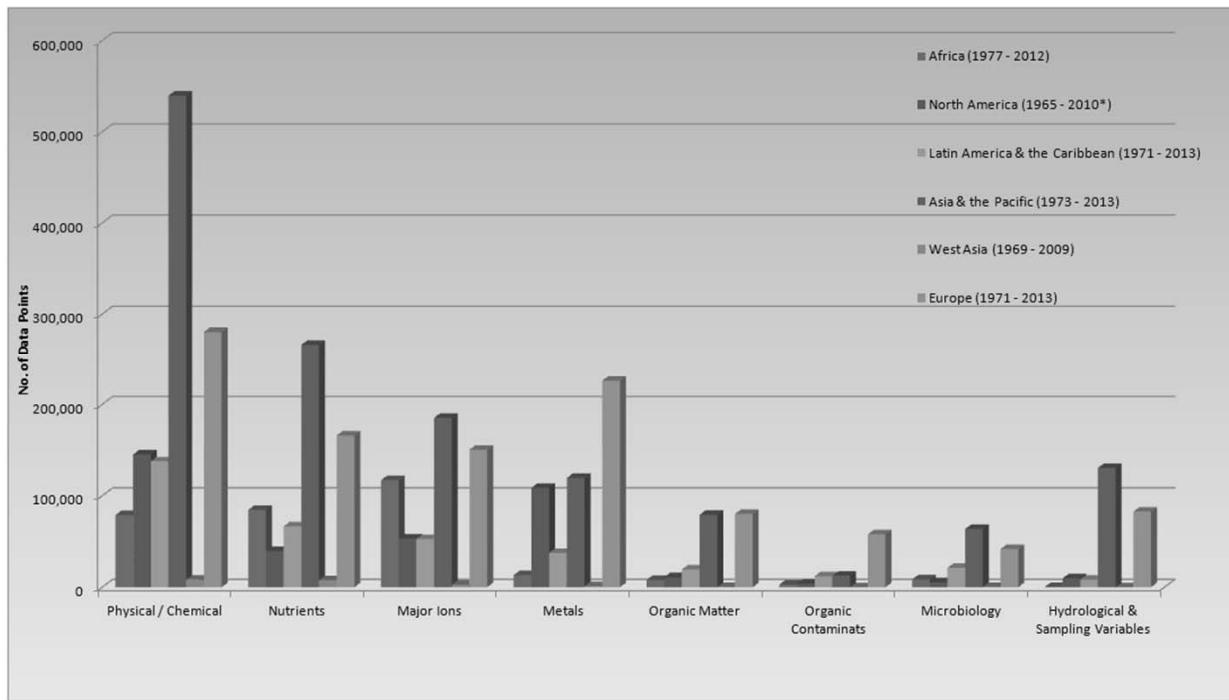


# The GEMStat project



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- Data from the legacy system has been migrated
- 3,700 stations world-wide
- approx. 4.3 million records representing more than 100 sampling parameters



# The GEMStat project

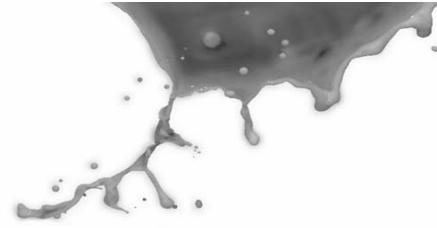


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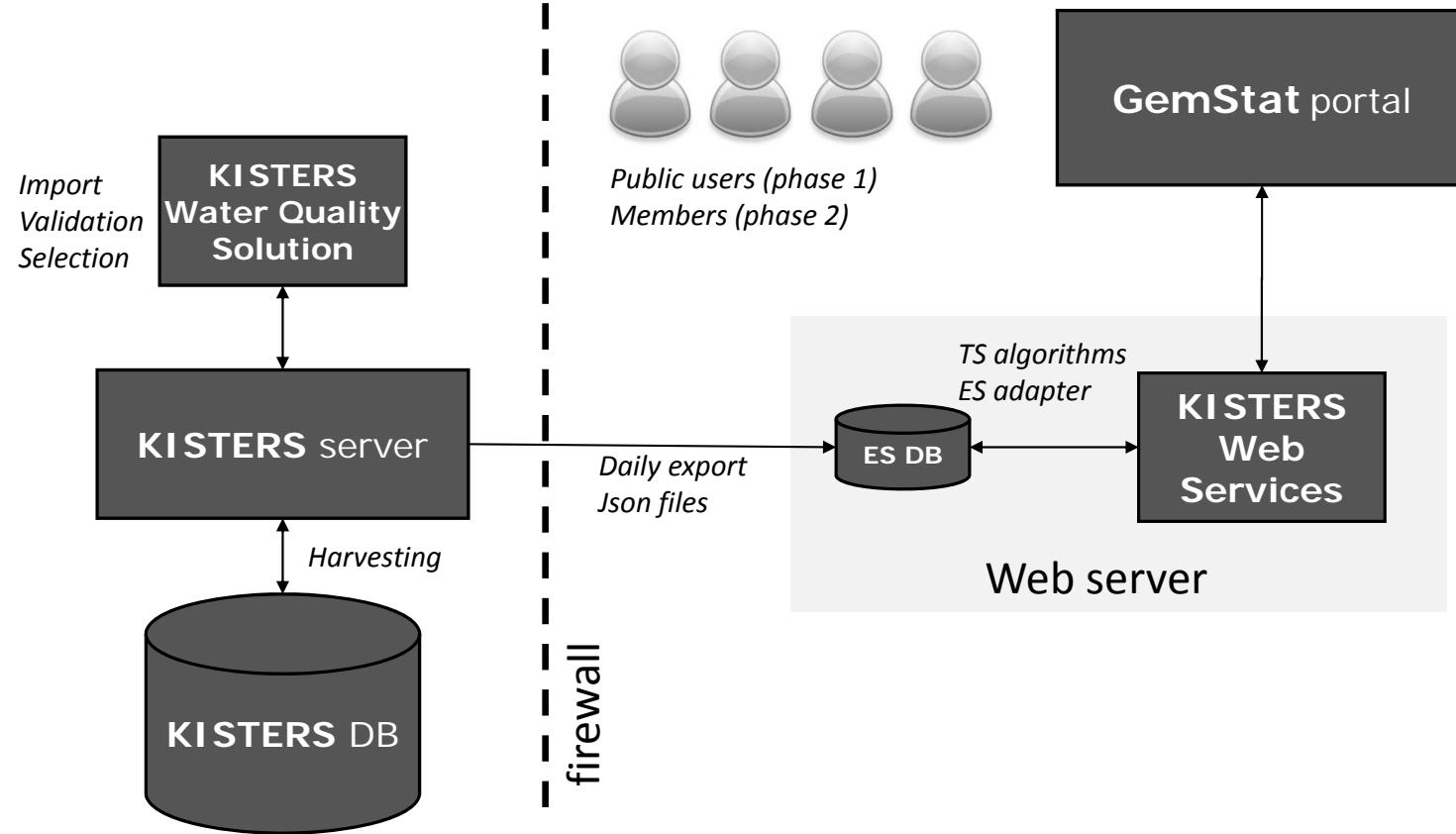
- The project for redesigning the GEMStat portal started with phase 1 in September 2015.
- Phase 1 comprised the establishment of the GEMStat database (data migration) and the development of a free accessible portal solution for the public.
- The new GEMStat portal (phase 1) was completed mid May 2016 and presented during the United Nations Environment Assembly on 23rd May 2016 in Nairobi.
- GEMStat portal (phase 1) public was launched in late 2016, and is accessible via [www.portal.gemstat.org](http://www.portal.gemstat.org)



# The new GEMStat portal solution



- System structure



# The GEMStat phase 2 requirements



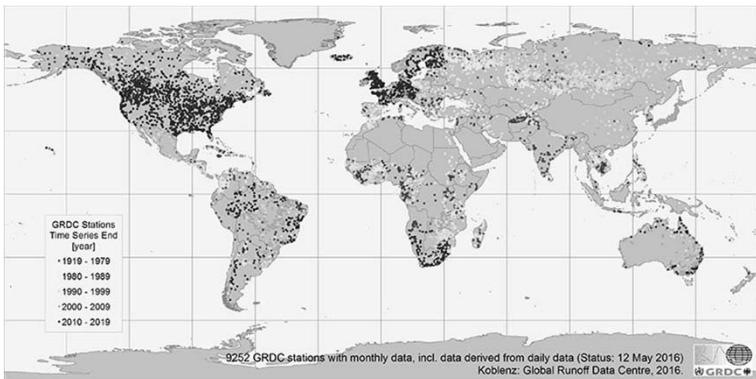
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- Introduction of member area which allows access to raw data
- More sophisticated data analytics (Water Quality Index, loads...)
- Further export format options
- Data exchange via web services by applying open and OGC conform standards (Water ML2, WQX..)
- Support of UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish)

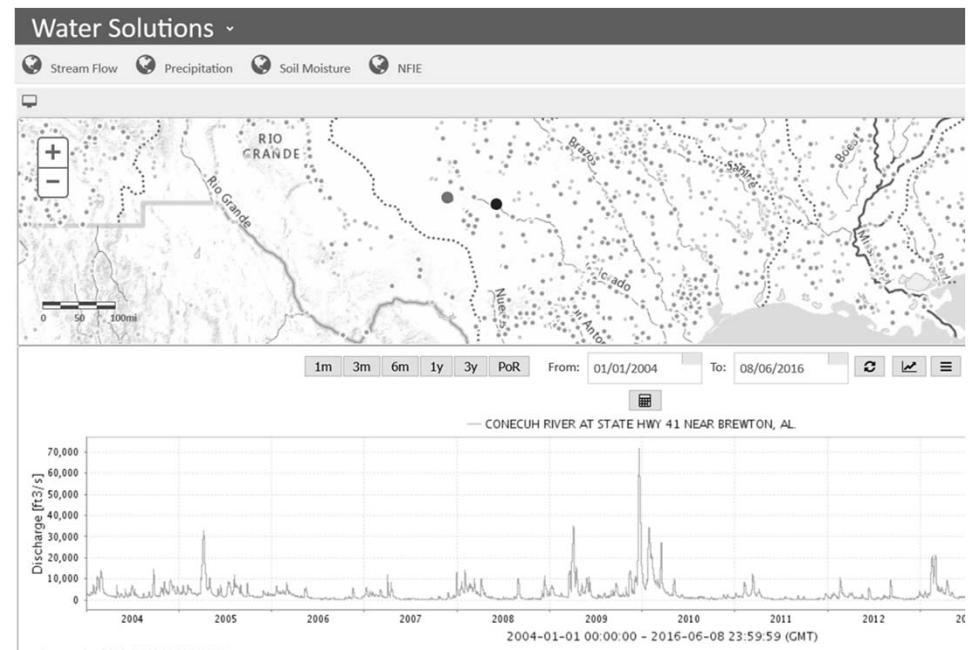


# Outlook

- Technical integration of GEMStat and Global Data Runoff Center (GRDC)
- GRDC is a public repository for the world's river discharge data and associated metadata
- 160 countries contribute nearly 10.000 stations and 400.000 discharge years on daily or monthly level
- Currently Live and Available

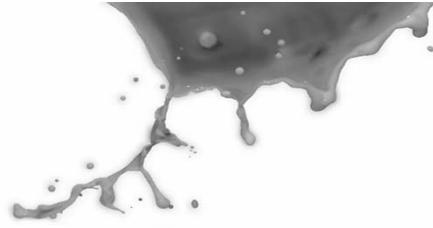


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# Outlook

- Integration in global environmental data systems:
  - Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)
  - UNEP Live
  - ...



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# Questions?



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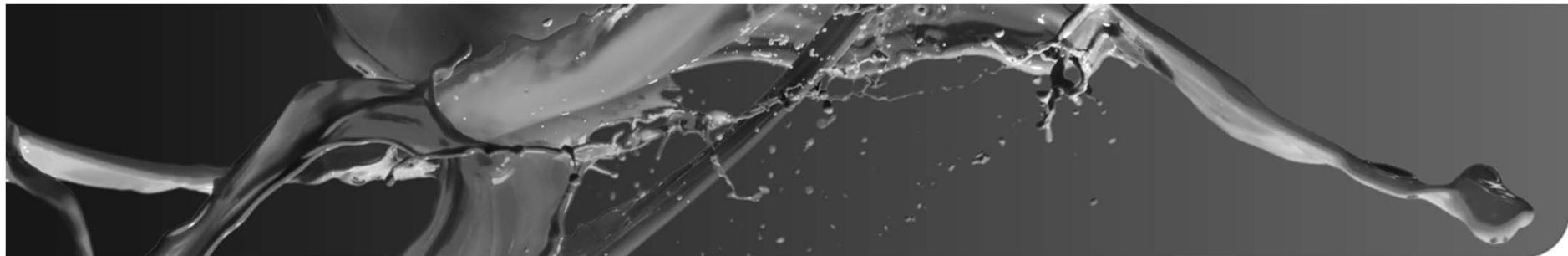
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# Global Water Quality Database

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