

NEWAVE is an international transdisciplinary network on the ‘next water governance’ coordinated by the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. **Key facts:**

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Network coordinators	Prof. Jampel Dell’Angelo and Prof. Dave Huitema both at the Institute for Environmental Studies at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam																																																																
Participants with budget (“beneficiaries”; n= 10)	Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam; U. Oxford; Politecnico of Milan; University of Nairobi; University of London (SOAS); University of Amsterdam; Leuphana University; Insitute de Recherche pour le Developpement; FNCA; ARCADIS																																																																
Participants without budget (“partners”; n = 19)	Global Water Partnership; Water Integrity Network; International Land Coalition; International Water Management Institute; UNICEF; Fundifix; Kenyan National Drought Management Authority; Municipality of Quetzaltenango; AMRTA; SEEYATH; Segura River Basin Authority; Ecologistas en Acción; IHE Delft Institute for Water Education; Open University Netherlands; University of California Berkeley; University of Arizona; Oregon State University																																																																
Key objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bring together an excellent trans-national and transdisciplinary network of water governance organisations; 2. Develop and implement a cutting-edge actionable research agenda on the key water governance priorities and insights for future directions; 3. Train a new generation of water governance early stage researchers (15 ESRs) and ensure that they have the trans and interdisciplinary skills to make significant contributions to both the academic and extra-academic water governance world. 																																																																
Length of the project	1 November 2019 - 1 November 2023 (4 yrs)																																																																
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Policy impact	NEWAVE challenges the water governance policy status quo through a systematic approach that mixes interdisciplinary theoretical co-production, integration of multi-sectoral perspectives and empirical contextualized evidence. Guidelines and EU policy briefs will be produced.																																																																
Communication strategy	NEWAVE virtual hub (ICDHub) will develop a policy-science platform, video blogs and documentary production. Social media creative presence.																																																																
Advisory Board	Prof. Helen Ingram; Mr. Rudolph Cleveringa; Mrs. Benedetta Tagliabue; Mr. Stefan Kuks; Prof. Margaret Palmer; Mr. Giorgio Cancelliere																																																																
Inputs from Advisory Board Members	The Advisory Board is comprised by highly influential academic and extra-academic figures that provide strategic advice and support to the Network Management Committee. The advisory board will play a key role in ensuring that collaborations and exchange between academic and non-academic participants are fully synergistic and strategic. They meet twice a year via tele-conference, and are invited to attend kick off meeting and the final meeting in Brussels.																																																																
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