



# REPUBLIC OF LEBANON

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# OUTLINE

1. **INSTITUTIONALIZATION VERSUS INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS AND INITIATIVE IN CAS**
2. **ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH VERSUS GOVERNMENTS AND UN METHODOLOGY**
3. **NATIONAL VERSUS BASIN LEVEL DATA COLLECTION**
4. **REGULATOR IMPORTANT ROLE IN INSTITUTIONALIZING AND BUILDING A SEEAW**

# 1 INSTITUTIONALIZATION VERSUS INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS AND INITIATIVE IN LEBANON

- Building a SEEAW means intra and inter institutional effort

→ Better and faster access to exhaustive and reliable data

→ More relevant SEEAW

- In Lebanon, CAS exerts individual efforts to build a SEEAW:

- Reading SEEAW manual

- Identifying water management context and the potential stakeholders

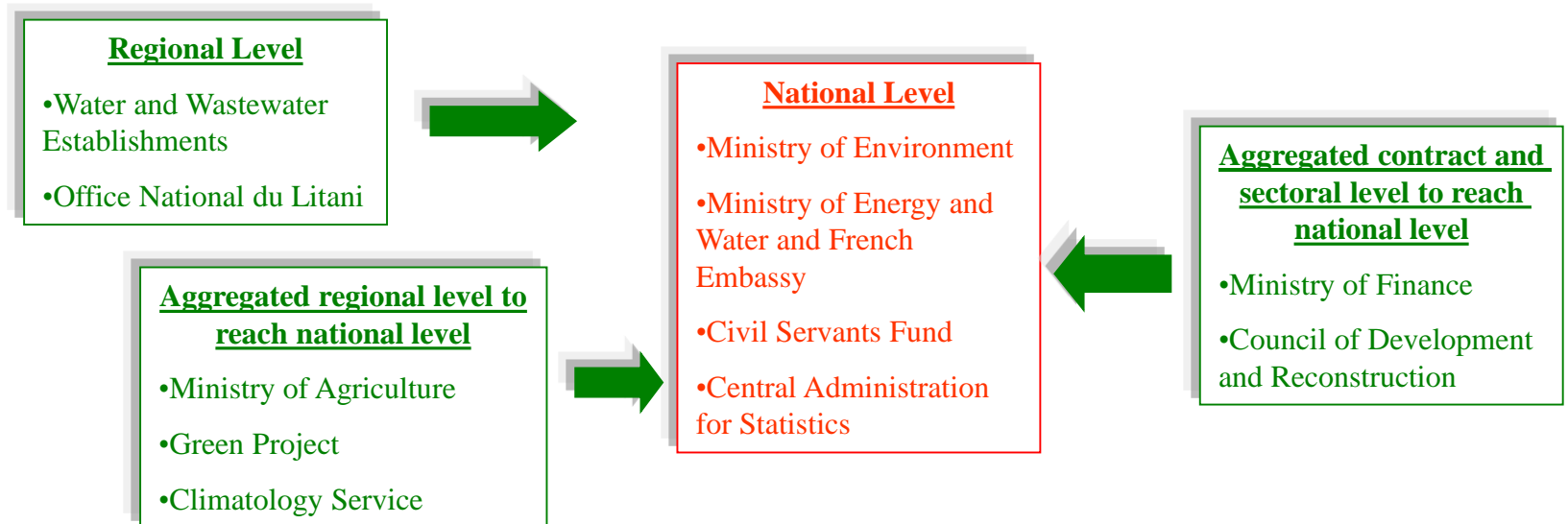
- Searching sustainable, reliable and exhaustive water data

- Constituting and trying to make sustainable the SEEAW Steering Committee

## **2 ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH VERSUS GOVERNMENTS AND UN METHODOLOGY**

- Water Academicians are numerous in Lebanon**
- In Lebanon, water research is fragmented, discontinuous with no holistic national objective. It relies a lot on donors**
- UN methodology and SEEAW should be the thread for the water research and work in Lebanon but in one condition: being adapted to the Lebanese reality.**

# 3 NATIONAL VERSUS BASIN LEVEL DATA COLLECTION



# **4 REGULATOR IMPORTANT ROLE IN INSTITUTIONALIZING AND BUILDING A SEEAW**

- **Regulator should be independent as much as possible**
- **Regulator collects, centralizes, processes and disseminates water data**
- **Regulator reviews water laws in order to issue modern and realistic regulations. The main objective is to build regulatory systems.**
- **Regulator sets up water pricing and playing field rules for the water stakeholders and players.**
- **THUS, independent regulator holistic water data, regulation and work will institutionalize SEEAW work.**



**THANKS**

