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Unfolding Policy Goals and Interactions through an Informative Policy Analysis of the Nexus Water-Energy-Land-Food-Climate

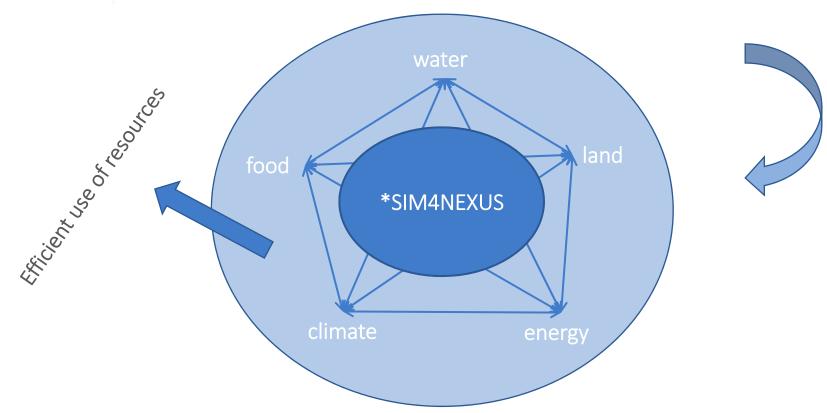
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Policy Analysis



*Sustainable Integrated Management for the NEXUS of water-land-food-energy-climate for a resource efficient Europe

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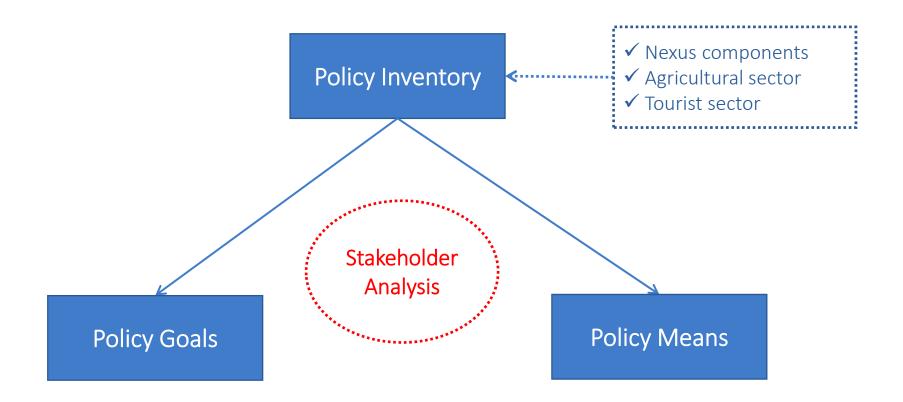
The Concept

- ✓ Sustainable management of natural resources Social welfare
 - Economic prosperity
- ✓ Nexus: Water-Land-Food-Energy-Climate
- ✓ Pressures: Population Urbanization Abandonment of agricultural land – New consumption patterns
- ✓ Agricultural sector
- ✓ Tourist sector
- ✓ Climate change





Approach









Policy inventory

- ✓ Climate: GHG emissions, climate change impacts, resilience against climate change
- ✓ Water: sustainable management of water resources, river basin management plans, quality of water resources
- ✓ Food: security, public health
- ✓ Energy: RES, cogeneration, national energy goals (2020, 2030), energy saving, national energy mix
- ✓ Land: integrated spatial development, national strategic options for spatial and urban planning, special frameworks
- ✓ Agricultural sector: livestock, pesticides, pastures, farmers' register, agricultural entrepreneurship
- ✓ Tourist sector: Tourist entrepreneurship, tourist training, sustainable development of tourism





Policy goals and means per sector (1)

Policy area	Policy goals	Policy means
Climate	 Limitation and reduction of emissions Actions / stimuli for the adaptation of economic sectors Increase climate change adaptation ability 	 Energy efficiency Use of technologies that capture CO₂ Cogeneration and energy saving Promotion of R&D in the field of RES
Water	 Protection and management of surface water and groundwater Sustainable use of water resources 	 River basin management plans Monitoring water resources status Administrative bodies responsible for water resources management
Food	❖ Food security	Monitoring food industryConstraints in the food market

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Policy goals and means per sector (2)

Policy area	Policy goals	Policy means
Energy	 Sustainable management of RES Electricity production from RES – RES sharing Cogeneration of electricity and heat National energy goals (2020, 2030) Energy efficiency and energy saving 	 Installation of RES power plants Special criteria for the installation of wind parks, P/Vs Promotion of biomass and biofuels Promotion of natural gas market Promotion of RES use in buildings – Energy efficiency in buildings
Land	 Development of a national strategy for spatial and urban planning Development of a balanced and competitive economy 	 Regulation of land uses Promotion of entrepreneurship Complementarity between urban and rural regions Complementarity among productive sectors
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Policy goals and means per sector (3)

Policy area	Policy goals	Policy means
Agriculture	 Sustainable development of the agricultural sector Preservation of plant genetic resources Sustainable use of pesticides Identification of pastures and grazing land in Greece 	 Special measures for the sustainable management of plant genetic resources Training on pesticide use Mapping of pastures Enhancement of agricultural training National database / register of farmers and plots
Tourism	 Sustainable development of the tourist sector Development of tourist entrepreneurship Promotion of the Greek tourist 'product' 	 Supporting tourist investments Differentiation of tourist activities and tourist product Tourist training Strengthening R&D in the tourist sector







Policy (indicative) examples (1)

- ✓ Reduction of methane emissions
- ✓ Exploitation and promotion of natural gas for heating and cooling
- ✓ Climate change impacts on agriculture Database
- ✓ National monitoring network for water quality and water quantity
- ✓ River basin management plans
- ✓ Differentiated crop patterns Locally adapted crops
- ✓ Certification of pesticides
- ✓ Mapping of pastures





Policy (indicative) examples (2)

- ✓ Food and fodder security
- ✓ Criteria for the installation of wind parks, P/Vs, biomass processing units, geothermal and hydropower plants
- ✓ Definition of 'Wind Priority Areas' and 'Wind Suitability Areas'
- ✓ Connection of RES power plants to the electricity distribution system
- ✓ Land use regulations
- ✓ Limitation of urbanization Development of rural regions
- ✓ Differentiation of tourist activities Locally adapted





Stakeholder analysis

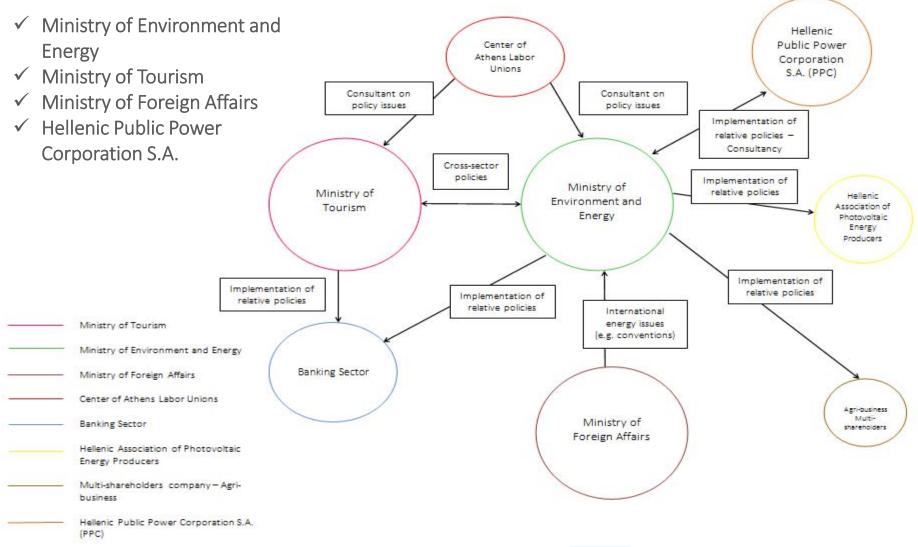
- ✓ Role of stakeholders during the policy design process
- ✓ Influence on policies
- ✓ Interest on policies
- ✓ Power and means to affect the implementation of a policy
- ✓ Stakeholders' **future plans** with respect to the policy framework
- ✓ Stakeholders' experience and expertise
- ✓ Clarification of misunderstandings
- ✓ Enriching knowledge stock





Mapping of stakeholders

Key stakeholders



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Conclusions

- ✓ Identification of the **policy framework** regulating the management of the **nexus components** Decoding
- ✓ Terms and conditions for the establishment of relative activities
- ✓ Investigation of **policy priorities** and future strategic directions
- ✓ Clarification of policy goals and means
- ✓ Engagement of stakeholders Participatory dimension
- ✓ Fruitful information exchange
- ✓ Limitation of **knowledge** gaps
- ✓ Deeper insight in the policy issues explored





Thanks for your attention!

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