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## **Optimizing Transboundary Water Allocation: A Decision Support Tool to Meet Water-Food-Energy-Ecosystem (WFE-E) Demands**

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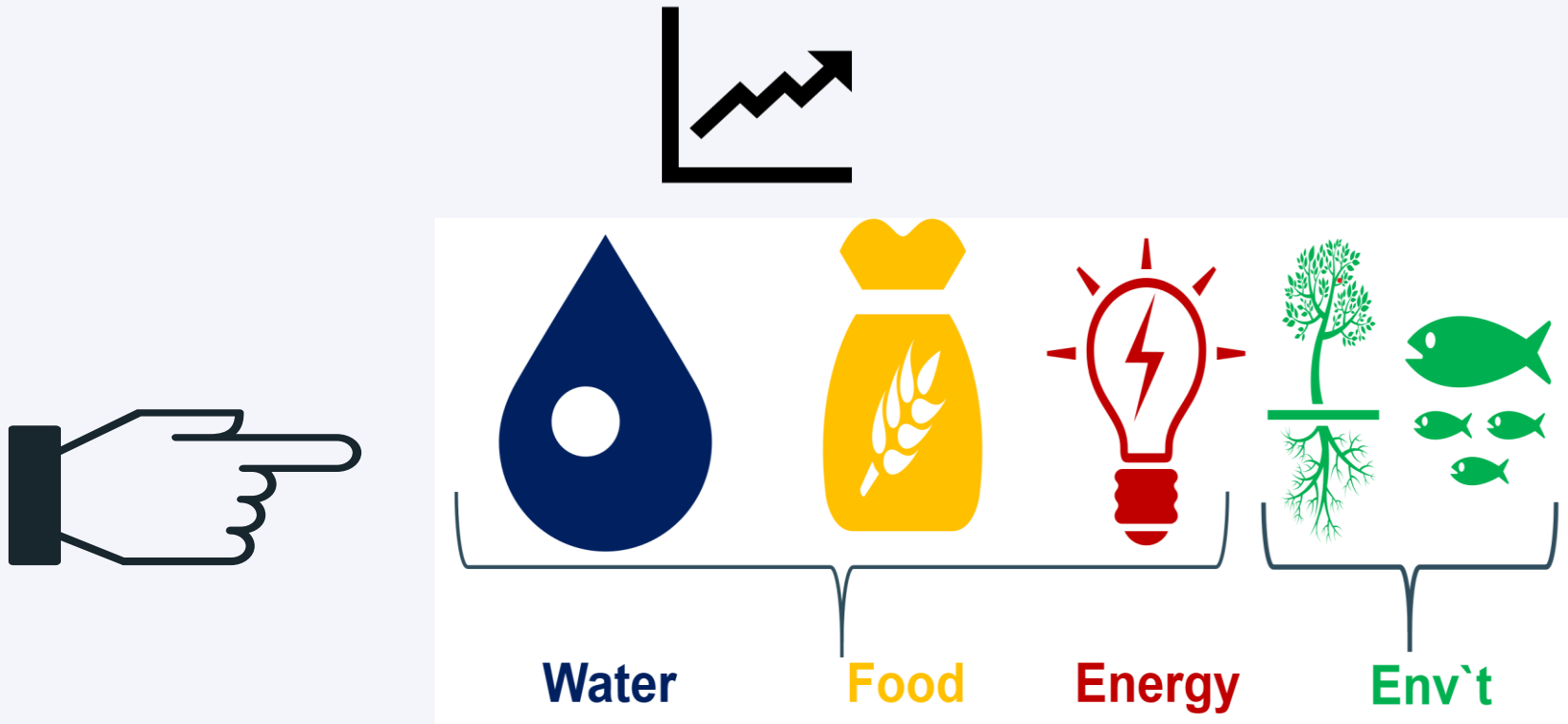
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# General background

## Global problems



# Impacts



# Impacts cont...

W-E-F-E demands

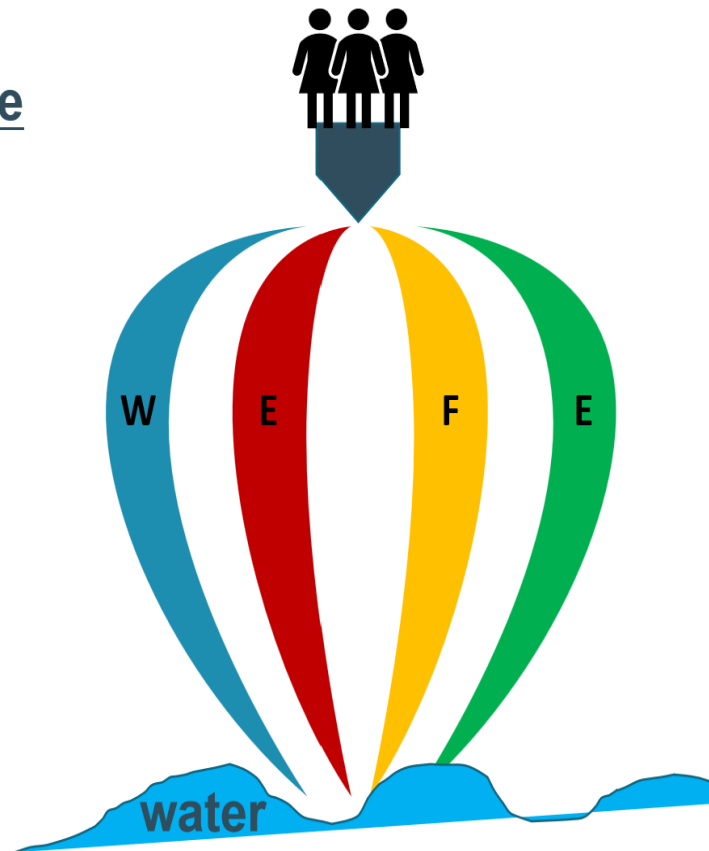


Pressure

Water for food  
production

Water for  
energy  
production

Water for  
environment



# Impacts cont...

## Multi functional demands

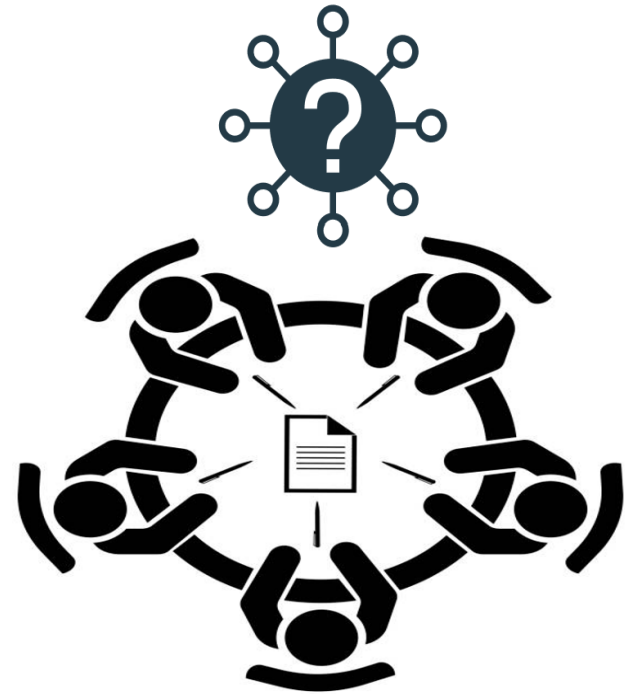
How to solve?



stakeholder



Searching?

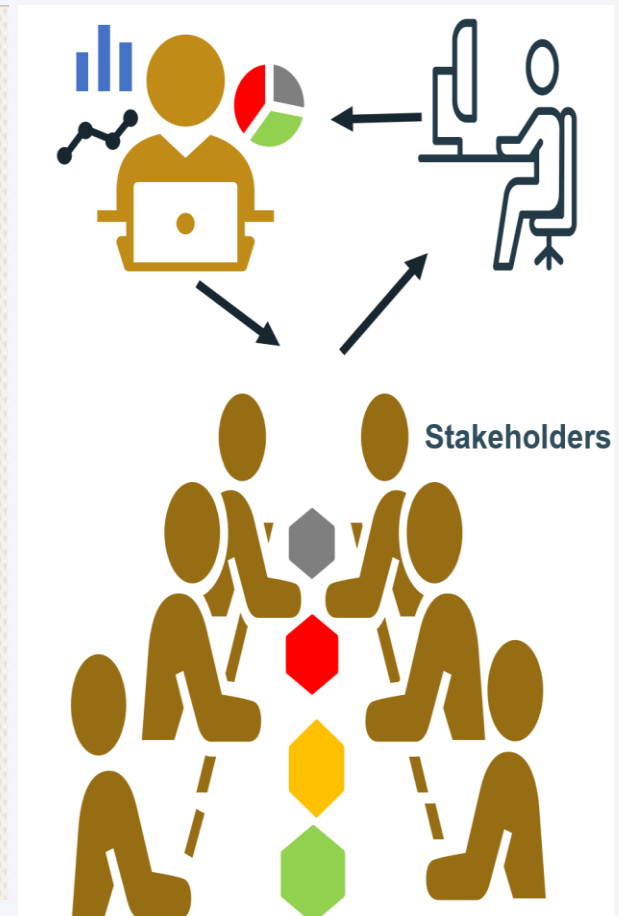
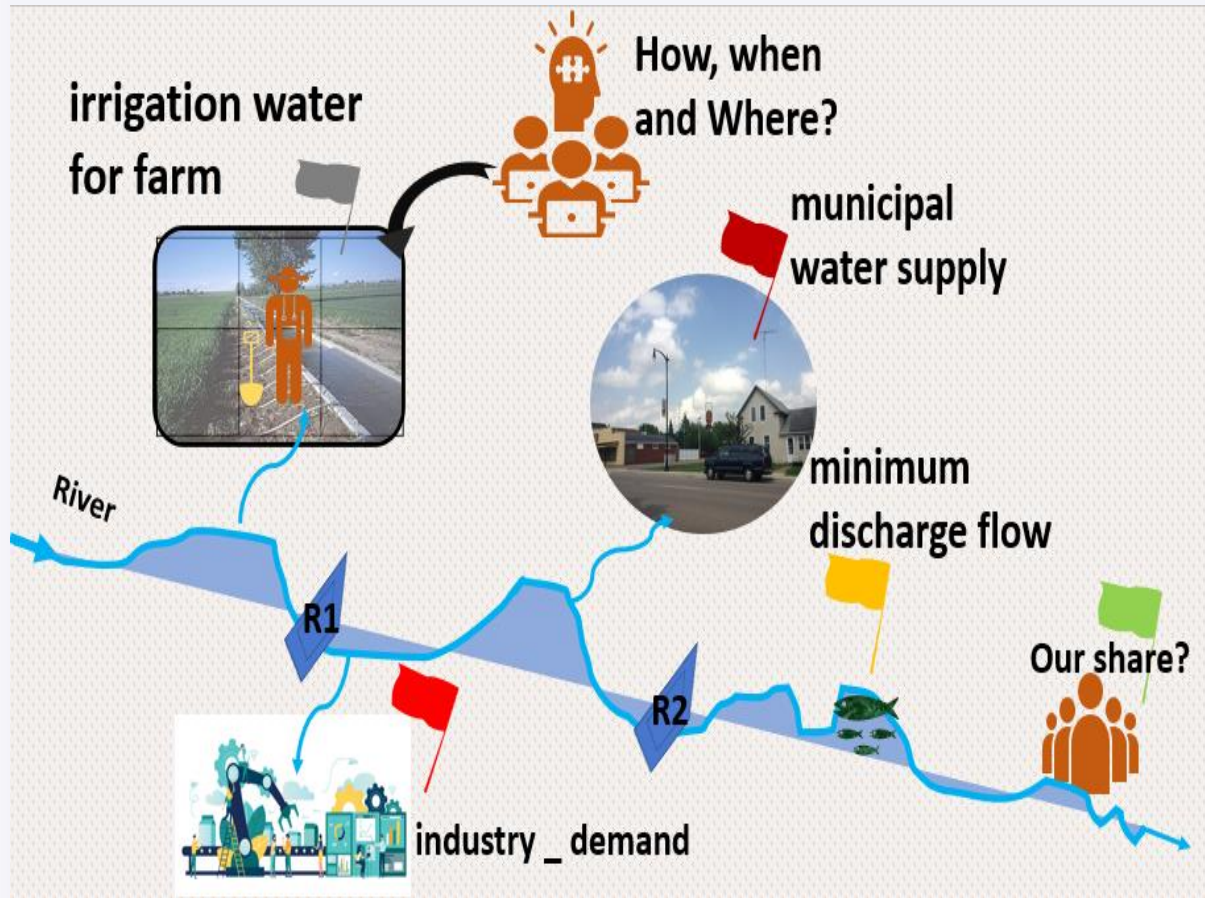


# Method

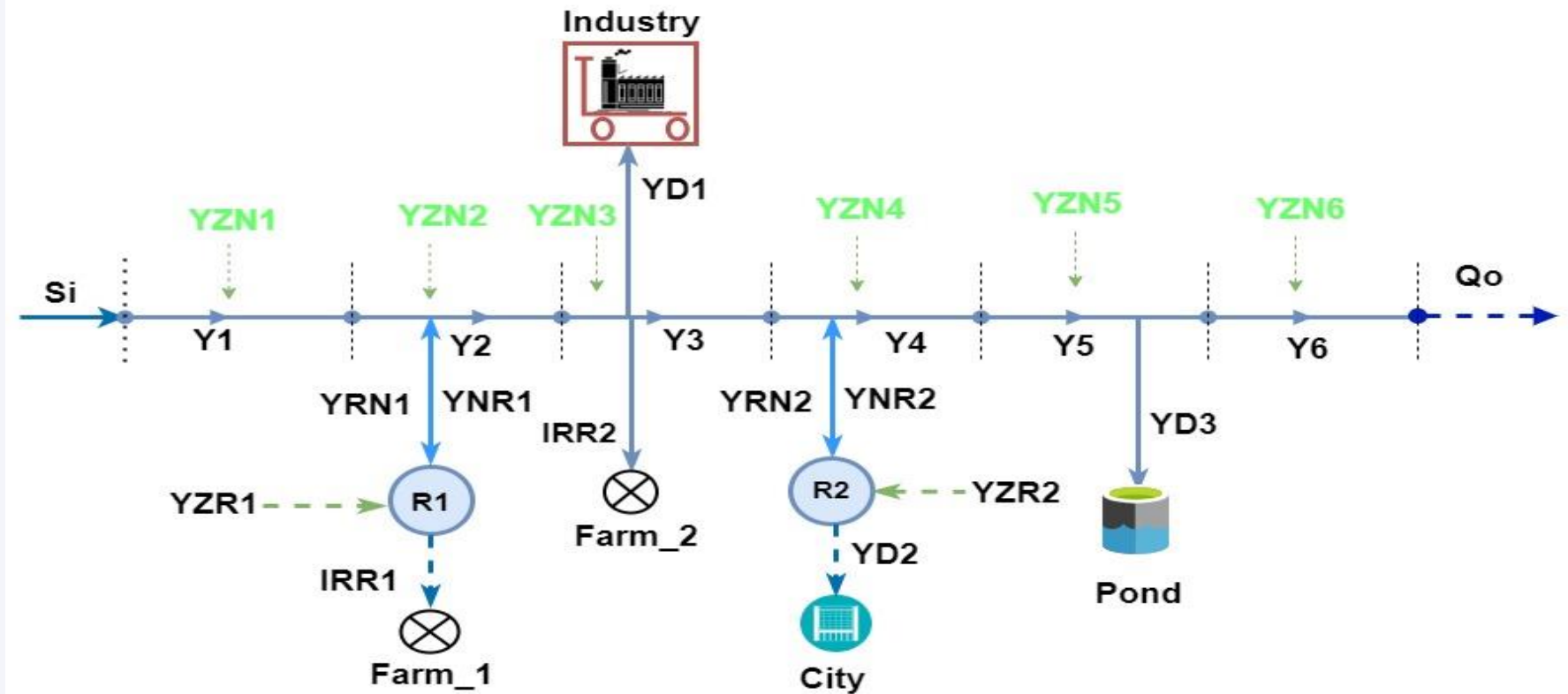
❖ Lack of decision support tool that addresses water allocation problems.



# Dev't of decision support tool(*Gebre model*)



# Water allocation model



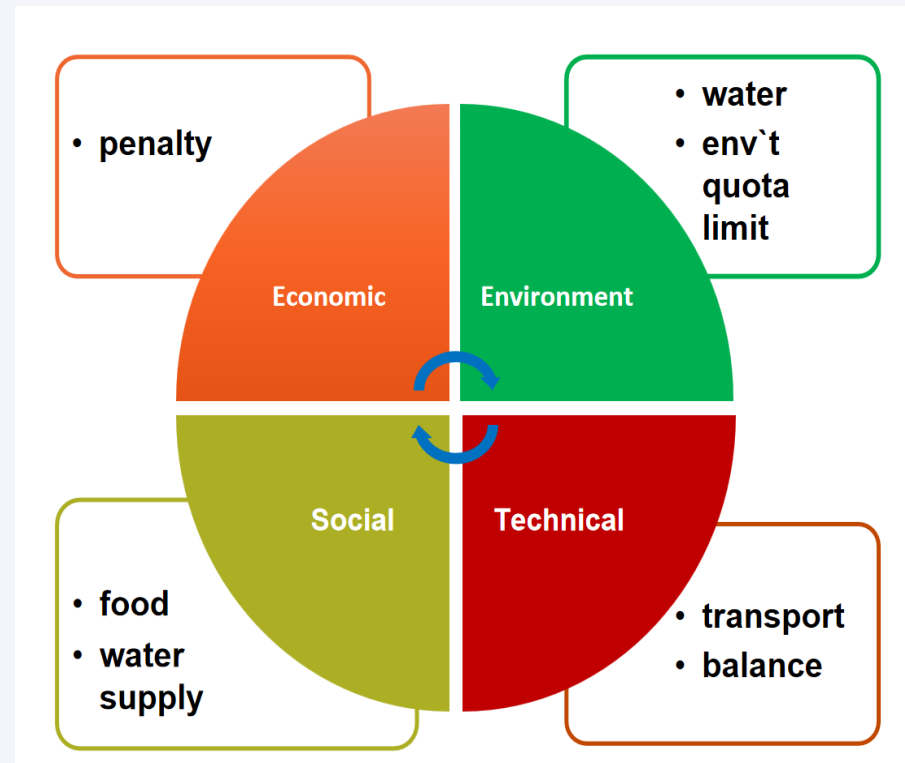
*Fig. Schematic representation of water allocation model*



# Water allocation model

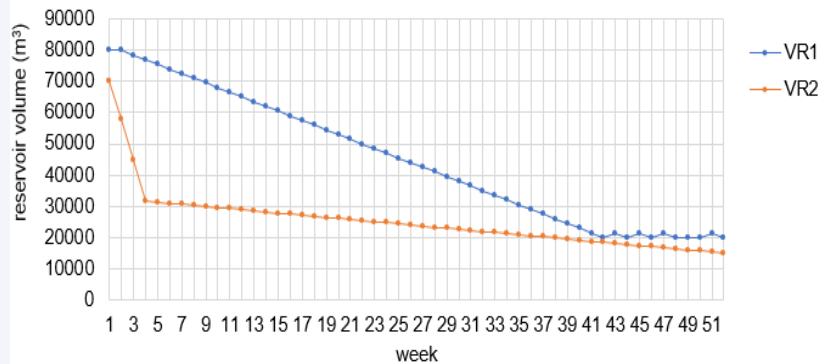
## Objective function

**Minimize** the costs associated with transporting water through reservoir links, while also penalizing unmet water demands.

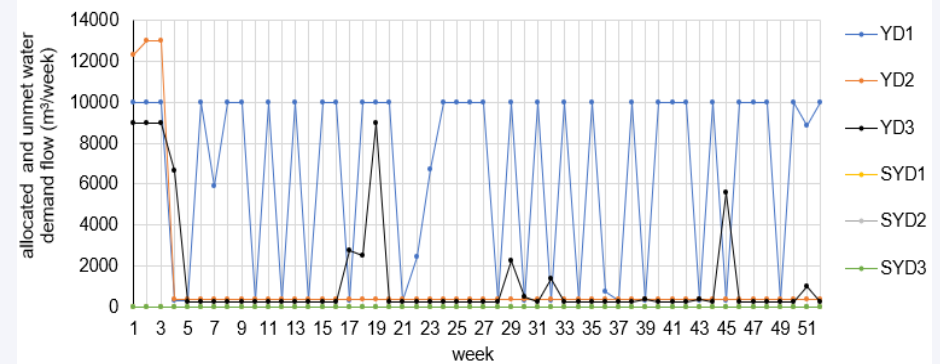


# Result

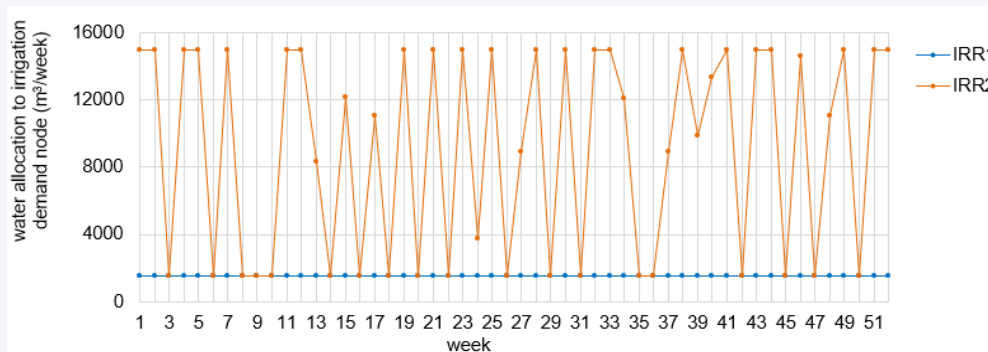
## Reservoir water volume storage model simulation result



## Water allocation for different water demand flows



## Water allocation for irrigation water demand flow



# Conclusions

- *the Gebre model allocates the available water to the different water users and produces an optimal solution considering the dynamic water availability.*
- *the model is flexible and versatile.*
- *the decision tool can help prioritize interventions and investments, particularly in transboundary water resource management, to promote fair water sharing and facilitate multilateral cooperation and collaboration rather than unilateral investment and water utilization to meet ecosystem demands.*



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