

Workshop on Sediment Management

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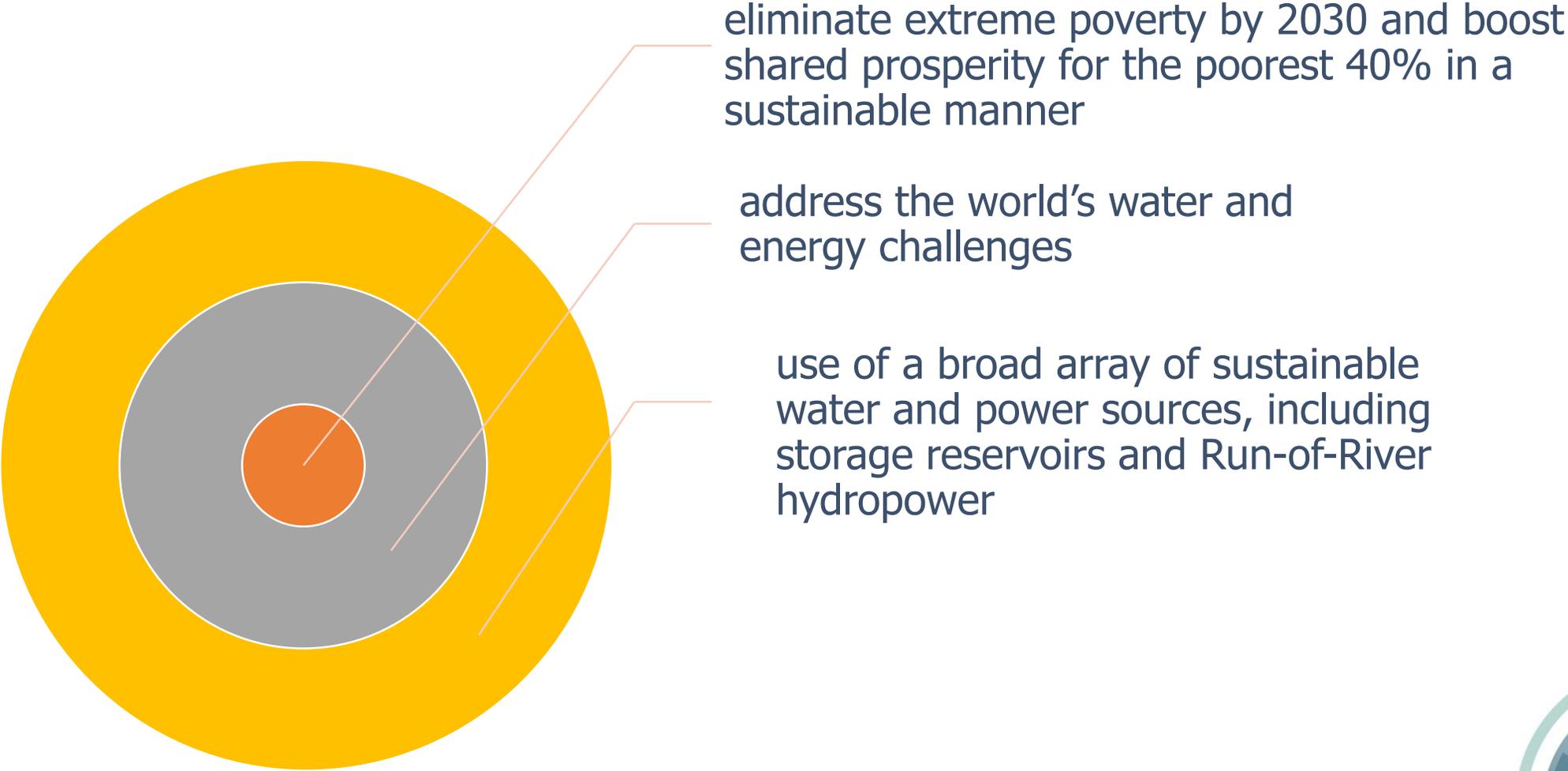
Global Lead Hydropower & Dams

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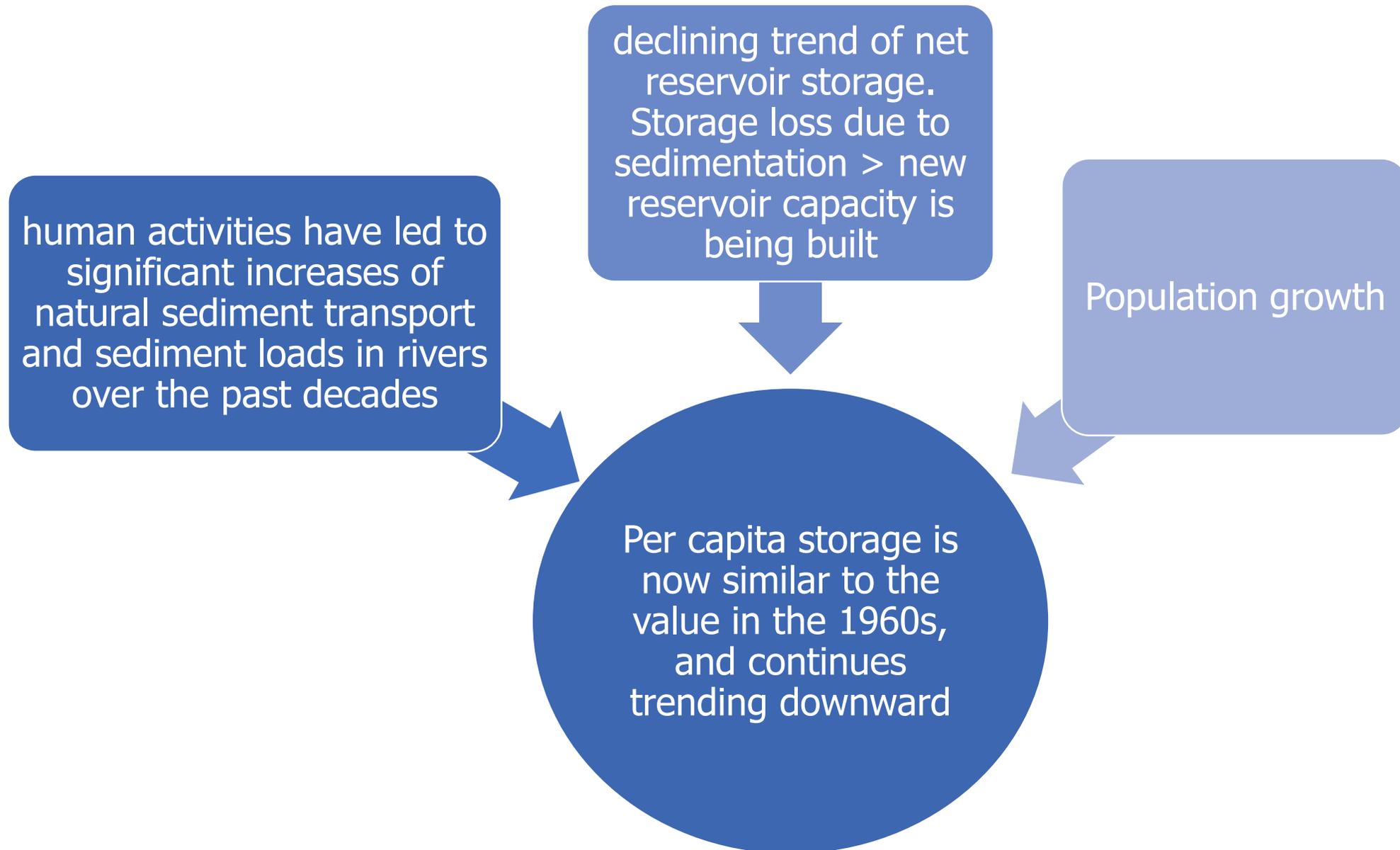
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Objective



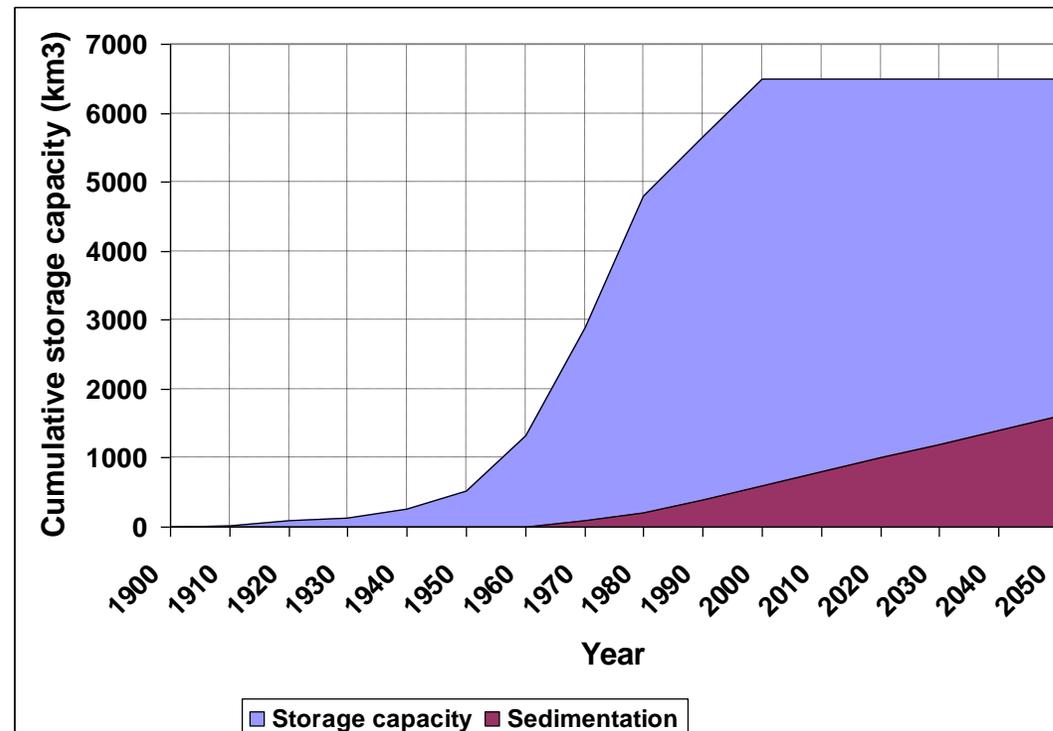
Problem statement



Sedimentation is a major challenge in hydropower development

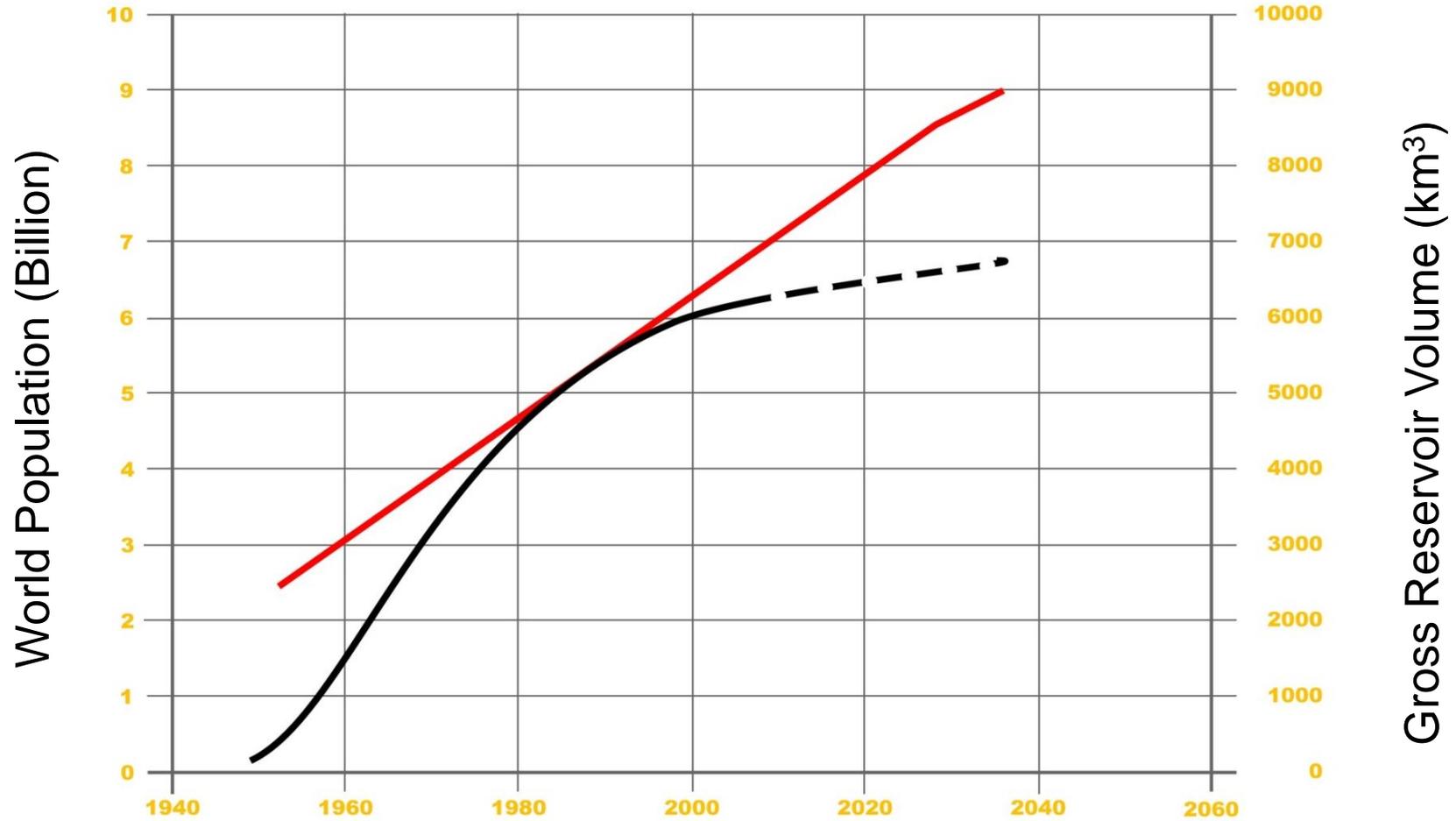
- ❖ Total storage capacity is about 7 000 km³
- ❖ Average storage loss is about 45 km³/year (300-400 large dams annually)
- ❖ The cost of replacing the lost storage is about USD13 billion

(Palmieri et al., 2003)



(ICOLD , 2004)

Dam Construction And Global Population



Impacts of sedimentation

Environmental

Interruption of sediment transport continuity and river continuity

- River morphology
- Fish habitat
- Ground water level
- Coastal erosion

Operational

Loss of reservoir active storage

- Reduction of reliability of water supply and irrigation
- Reduction of peaking
- Abrasion of generating equipment
- Reduction of flood retention

Safety

- Structural stability due to downstream scouring
- Sediment loads at dam and intake structures
- Reduction of spillway discharge capacity

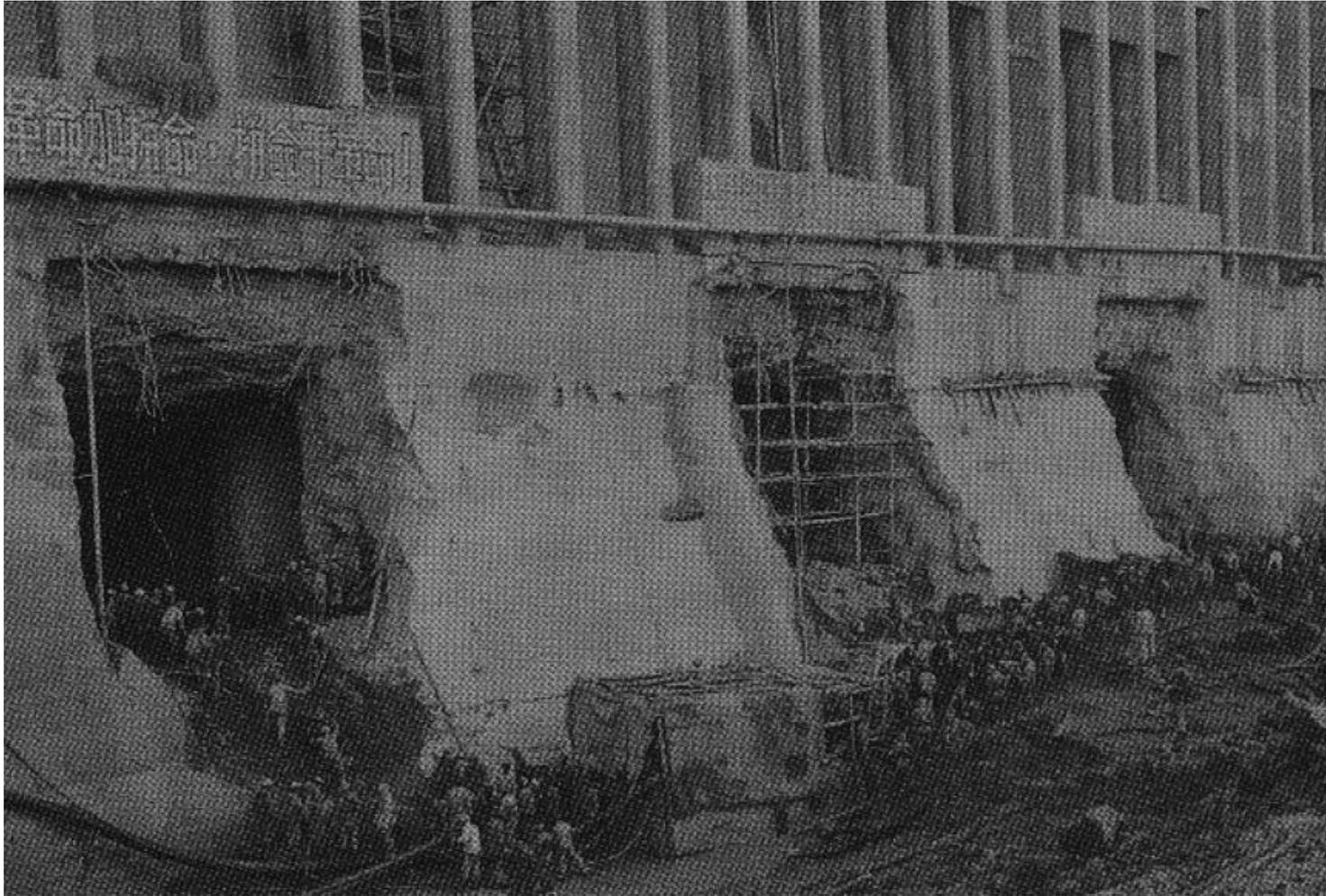
The increased hydrologic variability associated with climate change will exacerbate the impacts of sedimentation

Mitigation

Effective and sustainable sediment management

- Re-establishment of river connectivity and sediment transport continuity
- Conversion of non-sustainable reservoir to sustainable, renewable resources
- In agreement with the virtues of intergenerational equity
- Increase of the resilience of water infrastructure against climate change
- Improvement of the economic performance of the facility on the long-term





Sanmexia Dam. 12 bottom outlets were opened for sediment releases.

Headworks:
Five Performance Standards

| Performance Standard | Consequences of Compliance Failure |
|---|---|
| 1. Passage of all floods, including hazard floods | Poor safety during flood time Poor safety during normal operations |
| 2. Passage of ice, trash, and floating debris | |
| 3. Passage of sediments | |
| 4. Bed control at intake | |
| 5. Exclusion of suspended sediments and air | |
| HIGHER MAINTENANCE COSTS | |

Basu Chu, Bhutan



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Partnership



World Bank

Energy Sector Management Assistance Program

Hydropower Development Facility

 Federal Ministry
Republic of Austria
Finance

Austrian Federal Government
Ministry of Finance

Project

Sediment Management in Reservoir and Run-of-the-River



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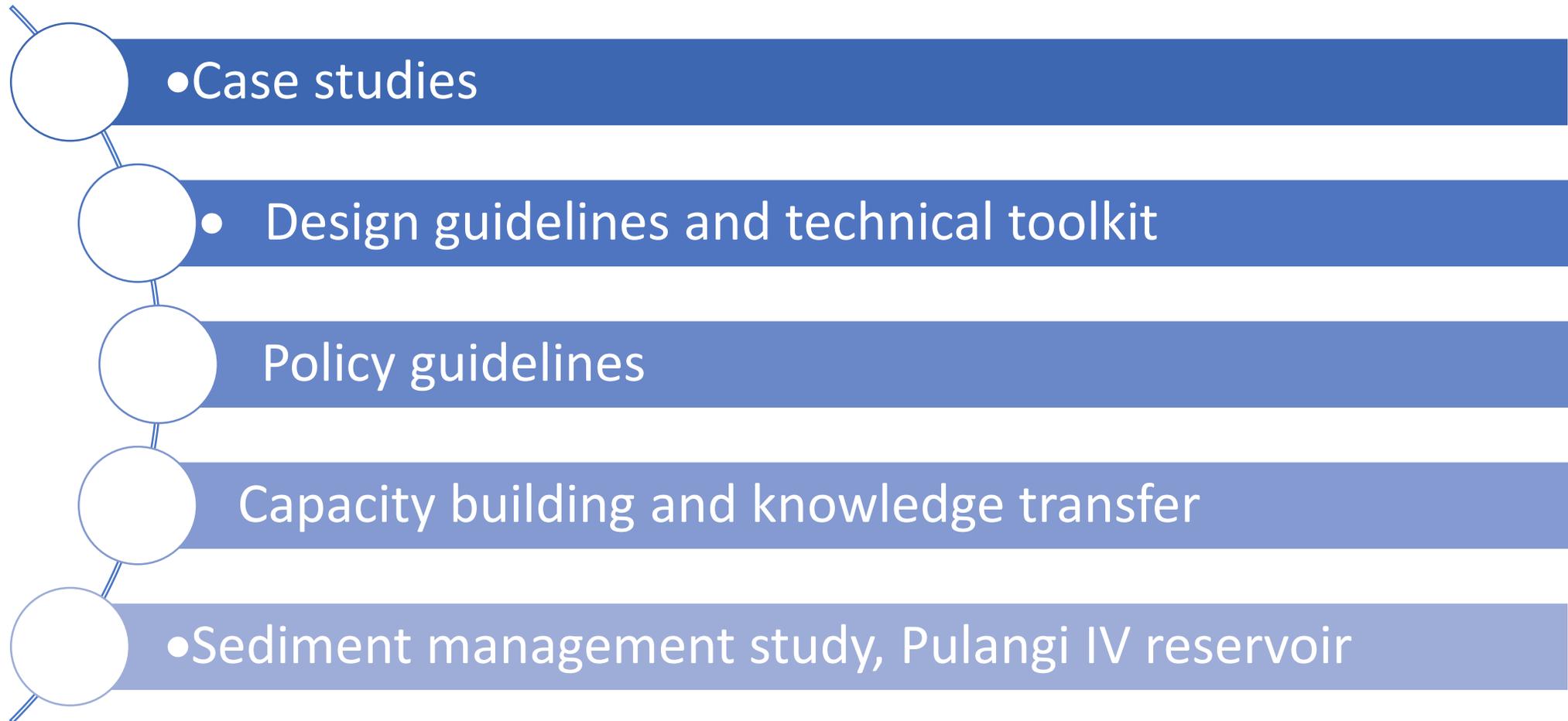
Objectives of the Study

- improve practitioners' understanding of sedimentation impacts
- support planning, implementation and operation of effective and sustainable sediment management in storage reservoirs and Run-of-River hydropower plants

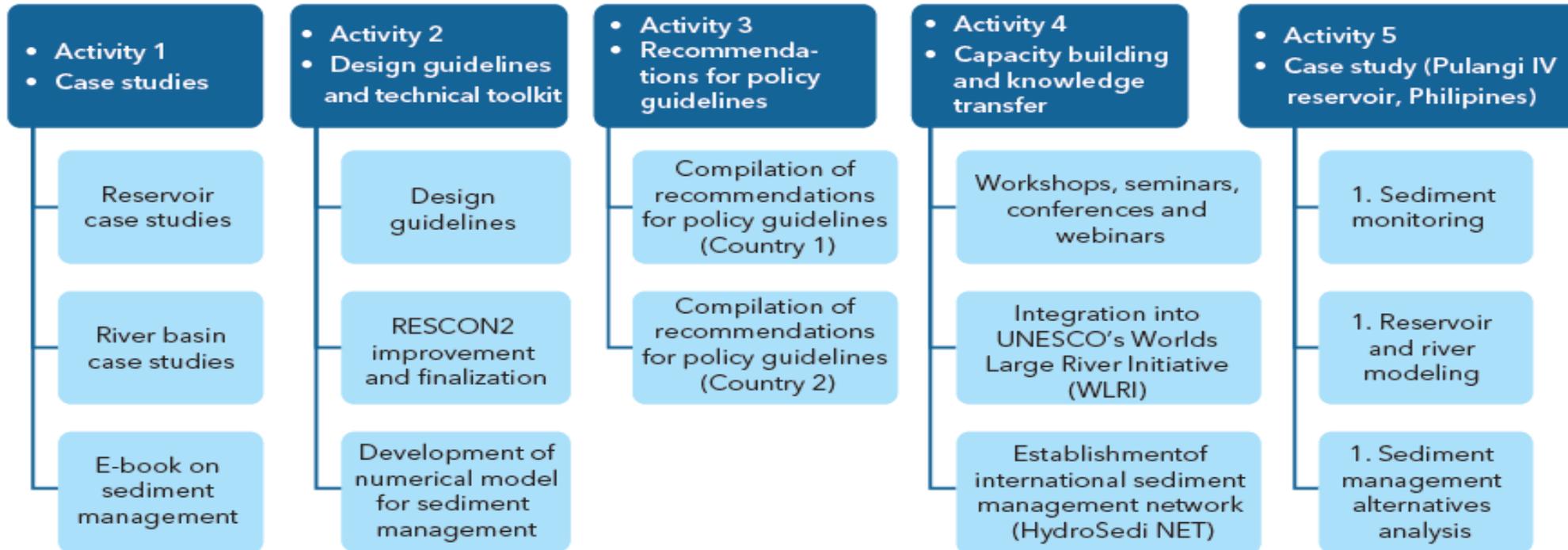


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Project Activities

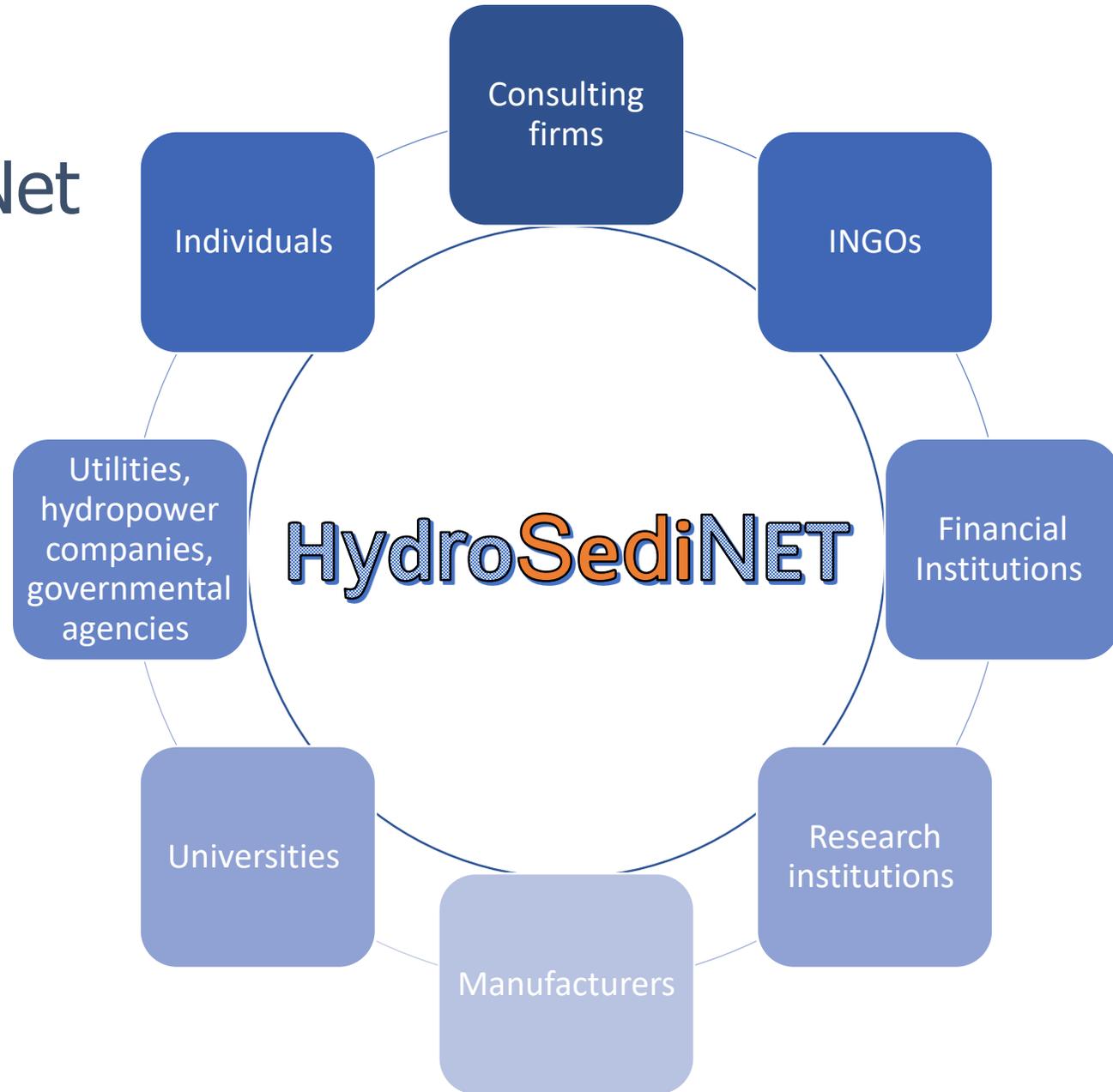


GLOBAL STUDY IN SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT in Reservoirs and Run-Of-The-River Projects



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DIRECTIONS IN DEVELOPMENT
Energy and Mining

Extending the Life of Reservoirs

*Sustainable Sediment Management for Dams
and Run-of-River Hydropower*

George W. Annandale, Gregory L. Morris, and Pravin Karki

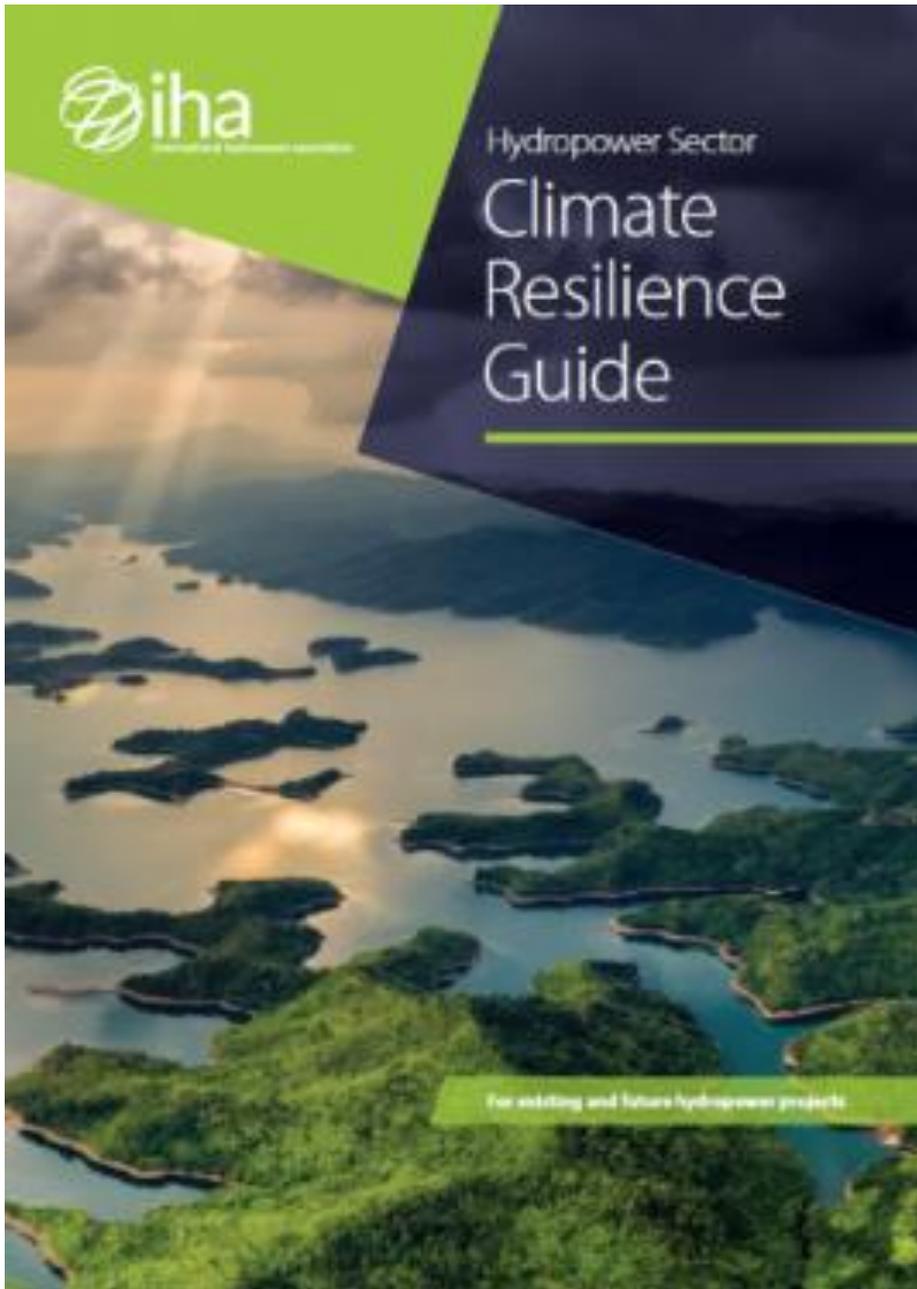


RESCON 2
User Manual

Reservoir Conservation Model RESCON 2 Beta

*Economic and Engineering Evaluation of
Alternative Sediment Management Strategies*

Nikolaos P. Efthymiou, Sebastian Palt, George W. Annandale, Pravin Karki



The Hydropower Sector Climate Resilience Guide offers a methodology for identifying, assessing and managing climate risks to enhance the resilience of hydropower projects.

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