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1. Introduction

Using single water source

Dam

Stream water

Agricultural water

Residential water

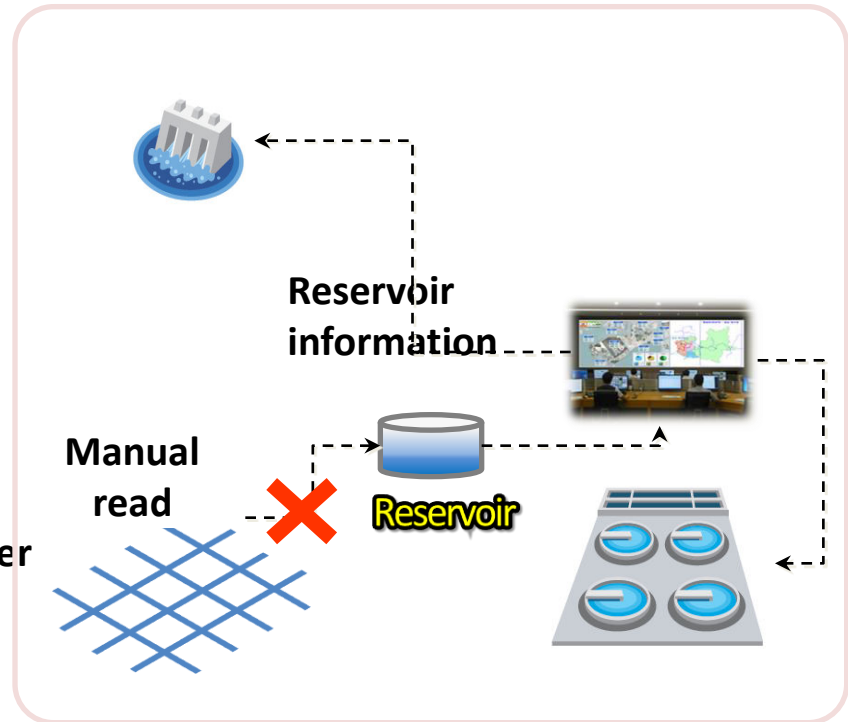Industrial water
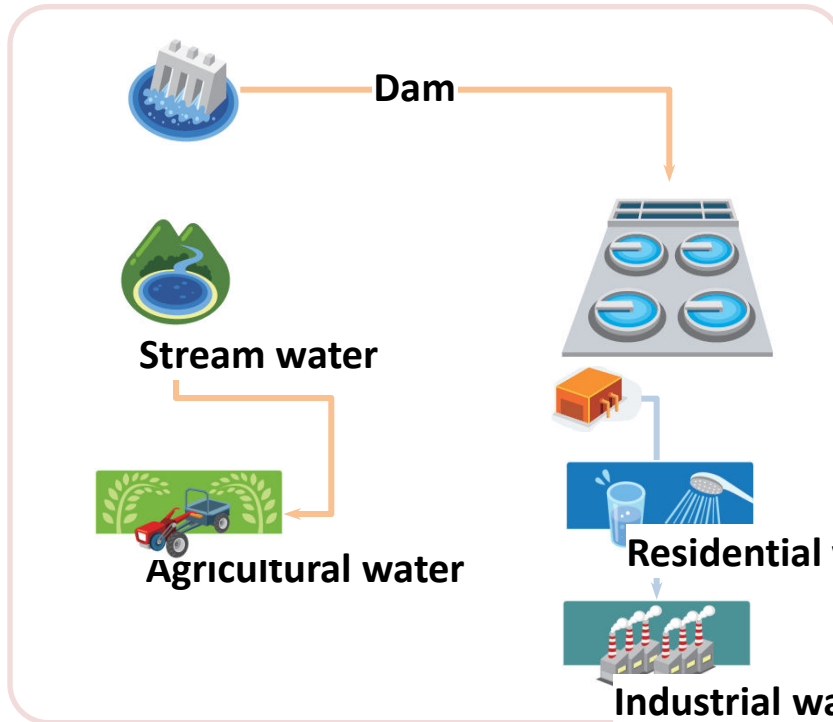
- Increase of transportation costs
- Unable to deal with emergencies

Simple, unidirectional monitoring

Reservoir information

Manual read

Reservoir

- Unable to deal with accidents in the water source
- Unable to deal with accidents in the pipes

How to Solve?

"Smart" is the main keyword in the 21th century

Smart Grid = Electricity + ICT

"Smart Grid" is a modernized electrical grid that uses information and communications technology (ICT) to gather and act on information in an automated fashion to improve the efficiency, reliability, economics, and sustainability of the production and distribution of electricity[1].

The concept for "Smart Grid" has been developed to solve the energy crisis. But what about water crisis?

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[1] U.S. Department of Energy. "Smart Grid / Department of Energy", 2012.

Smart Water Grid = Water + ICT

"Smart Water Grid" is a new platform for intelligent and integrated water management. It allows high reliability, diversification of water sources, low energy consumption, and cost reduction.
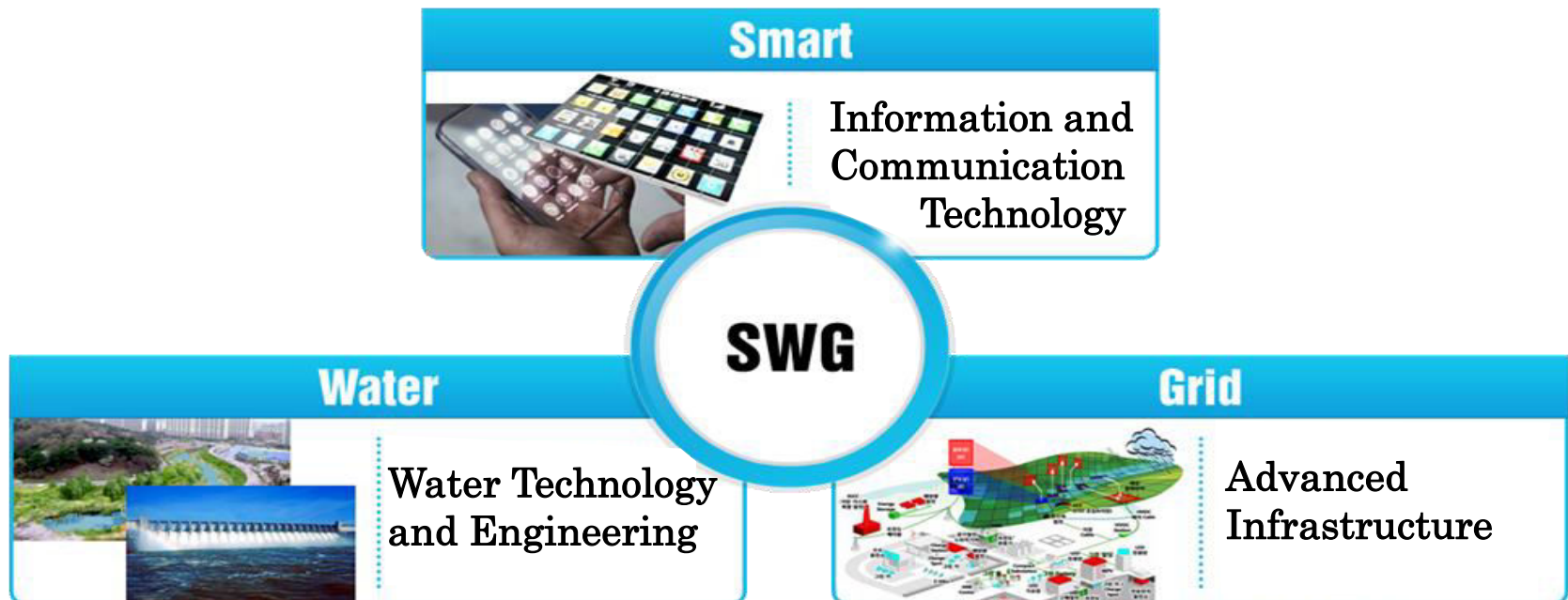
Smart Water Grid Technologies

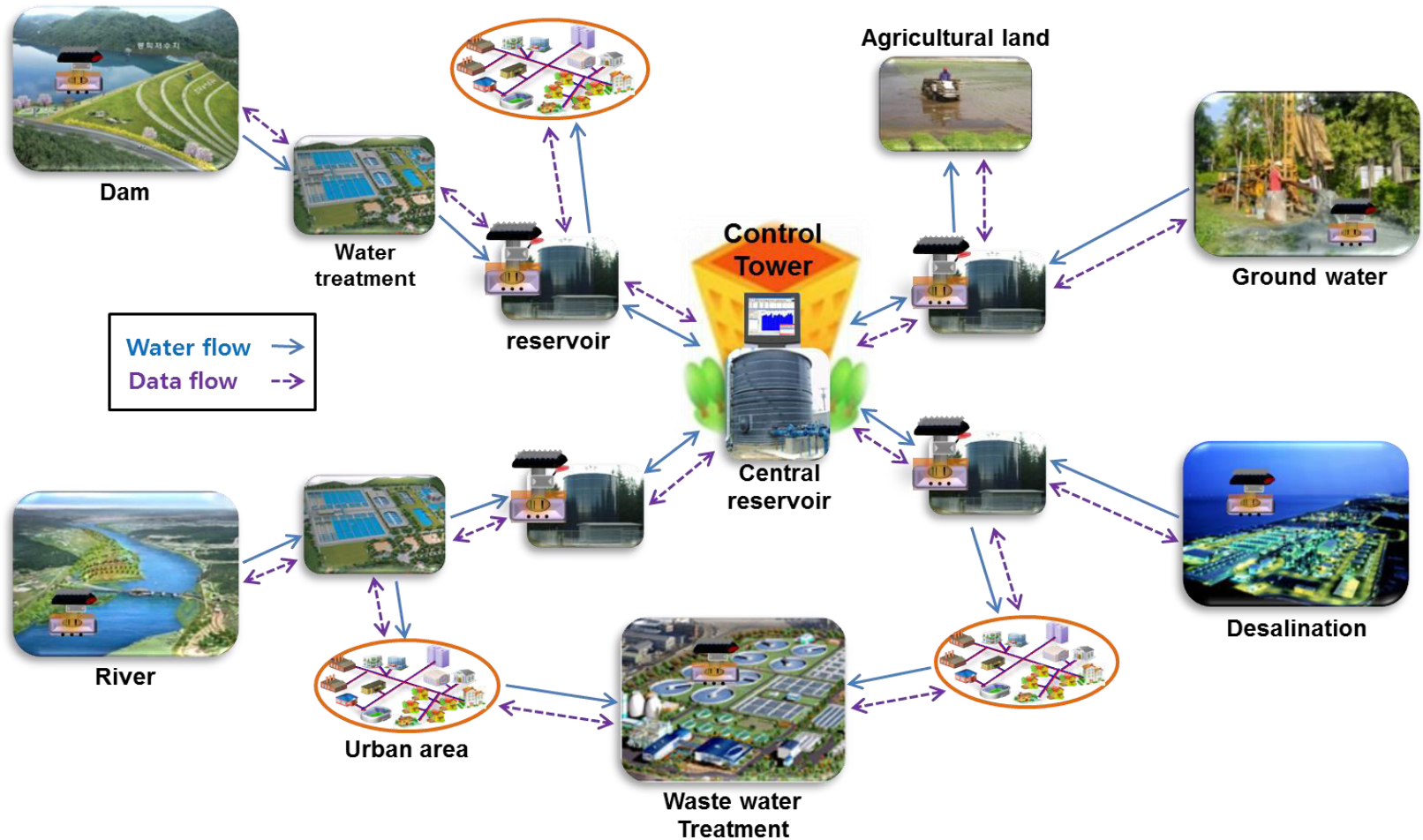| Smart	Water	Grid

- IT Industry
  (Real-time monitoring)
- Utility optimization
- Basis of Smart Power Grid
- Demand estimation from
  bidirectional management
- Increase of energy efficiency

- Water Industry
  (Natural/Active water resources)
- Diversifying water resources
- Smart drinking
  water/waste/sewerage water
  management system

- Infrastructure Industry
  (Network for delivering source)
- Associated infrastructure with
  Smart green city
- Solution of basic infrastructure

Smart Water Grid System
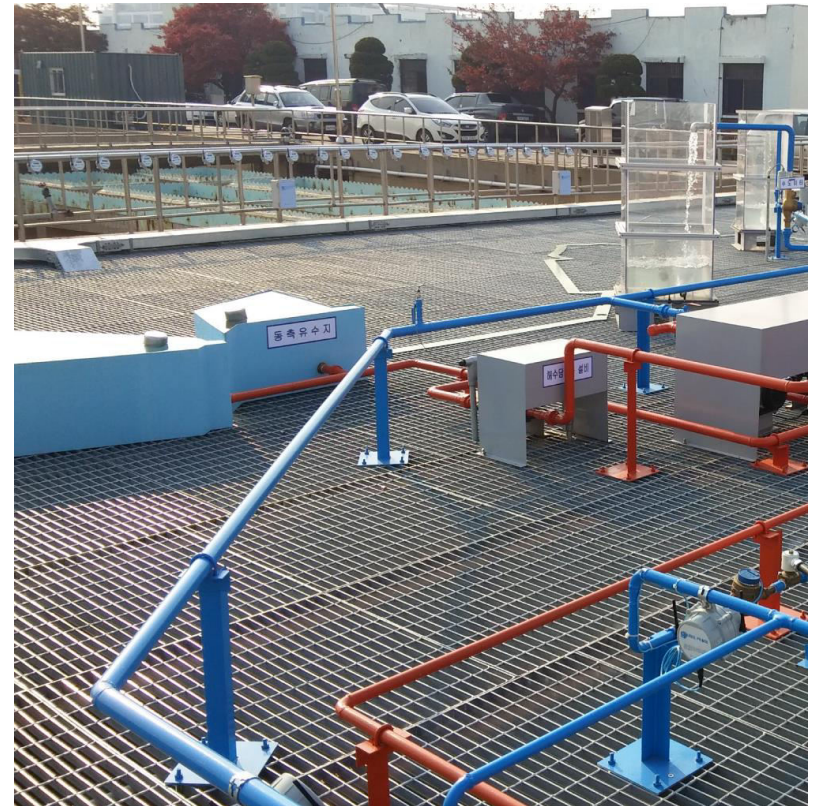
Smart Water Grid: Why?

- Water management is increasingly influenced by development in Smart Technology.
- Many of the management system heavily rely on the management of large amounts of information and data.
- Smart water grid technologies can lead to a significant contribution in overcoming water management challenges in the 21st century

Smart Water Grid Pilot Plant in Bupyeong WT

Smart Water Grid: Three Main Effects

Water Efficiency

- **Increased Efficiency and Reduced Cost**
- **Water loss control, energy saving, automation**
- **Decrease in O&M costs**

Security

- **Stable and Safe Water Supply**
- **Demand response (DR) for water**
- **Water supply under emergency situations**

Welfare

- **Water for people**
- **Equally good public water service to everyone**
- **Open access to water information**

Smart Water Grid Pilot Plant in Bupyeong WT

Smart Water Grid: What?

Smart water grid may include:

- ICT and disruptive technology
- GIS and Remote Sensing
- Smart Pipes, Smart metering
- Decision Support System
- 3D modeling of geospatial data
- Measuring water demand and supply
- Water footprint, efficient water use
- Climate adaptation

There are some **"missing links"** between available technologies and smart water grid

II. SWG Research Project in Korea
- 『Intelligent Water Grid』 Research Project

Smart Water Grid Research Group:
An Ambitious First Step Toward Innovative Water Management

The Smart Water Grid Research Program started on July 2012. The main organization is the Incheon National University and more than 50 organizations are involved in this project. The final goal of this project is to establish ICT-based water management infrastructure with high efficiency.

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Research Overview

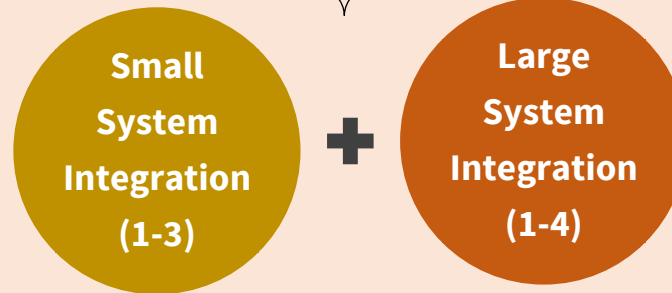| Sub-project 1 Water Supply	
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1-2	Development of Multi Water-loop System for Optimal Water Resources Utilization and Allocation
1-3	Development of Stabilization Technology and Pilot Platform for Micro Water Grid
1-4	Designing Technology for Smart Water Grid for Test Bed
Sub-project 2 Water Resources	
2-1	Development of Water Shortage Risk Evaluation System
2-2	Development of Technology for Automated Real Time Water Supply Design and Operation
2-3	Smart and Integrated Management Technology for Water Supply Information
Sub-project 3 ICT	
2-1	Establishment of ICT based AMI Network and Water Information Service
2-2	Development of High-Tech Sensors and Smart Multi-functional Measuring Instrument for Water Resources Monitoring and Management
2-3	Development of Modeling/Simulation based Optimized DSS

Develop, Integrate, and Implement

Development of Technologies

Water Resource (2-1, 2-2) + **Water Treatment (1-1)** + **Water Supply (1-2)** + **Database (2-3)** + **ICT (3-1, 3-2, 3-3)**
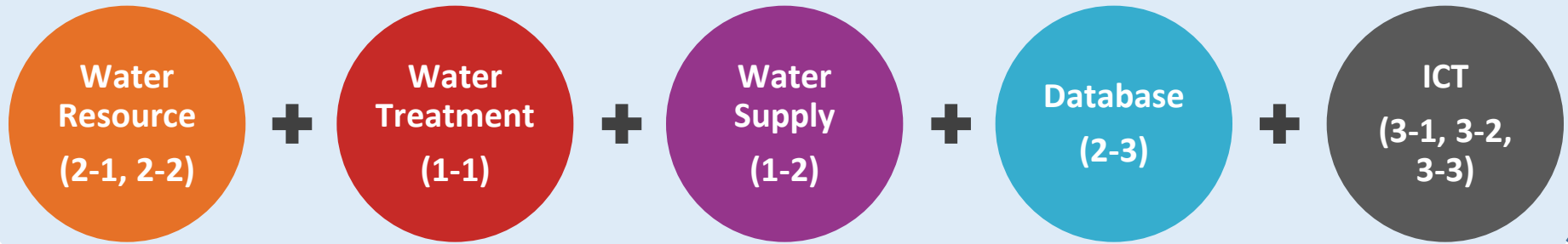
Integration & Implementation

**Small System Integration (1-3)** + **Large System Integration (1-4)**

SWG Technologies:
Innovations in water management

There are a lot of innovative technologies that enable SWG: water treatment for multi-source water; multi-water loop; intelligent and integrated water resource management; smart water meter; advanced metering infrastructure; real time collaboration platform; and smart water simulation.

From now on, you will see a few examples of such technologies.
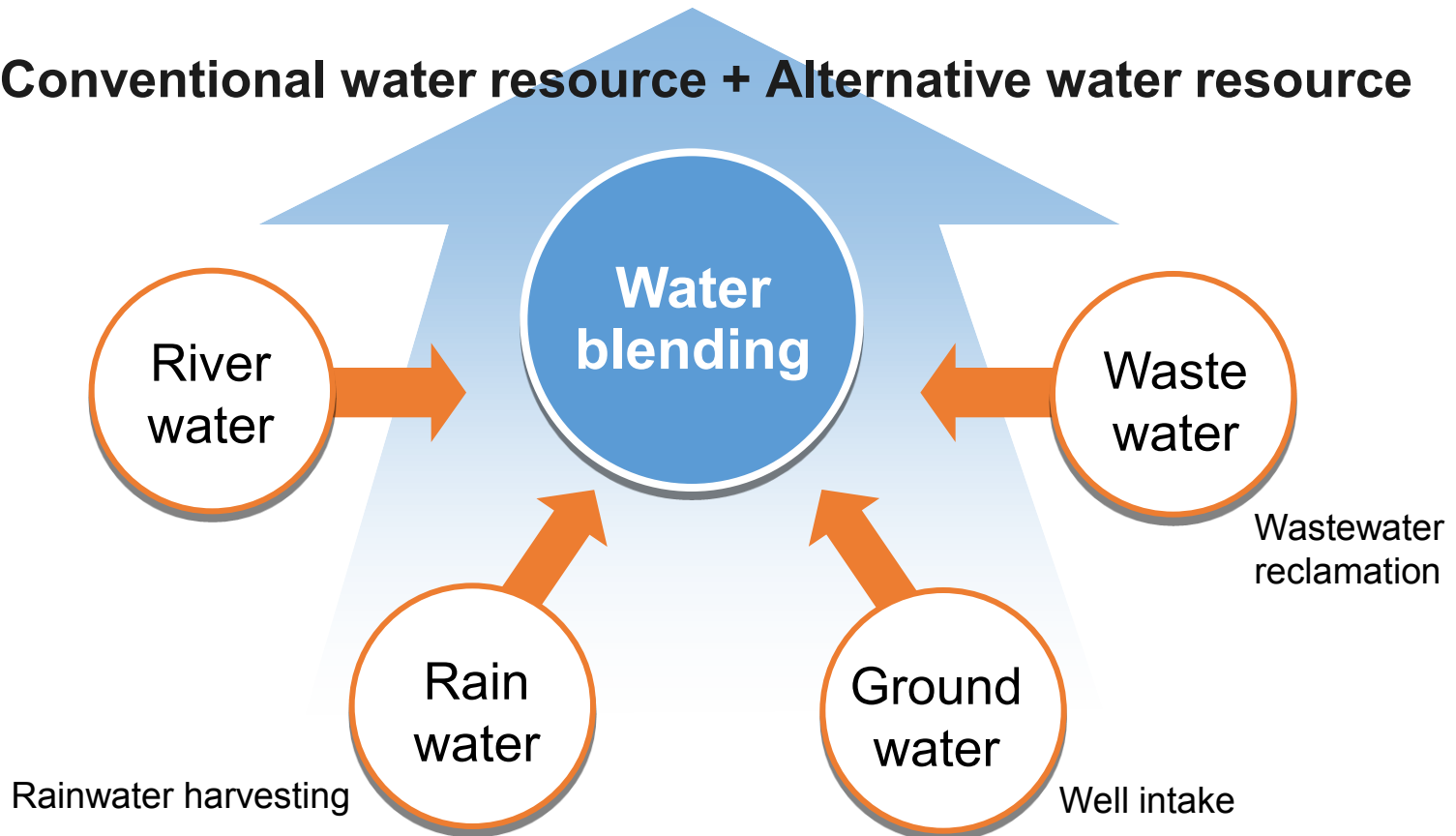
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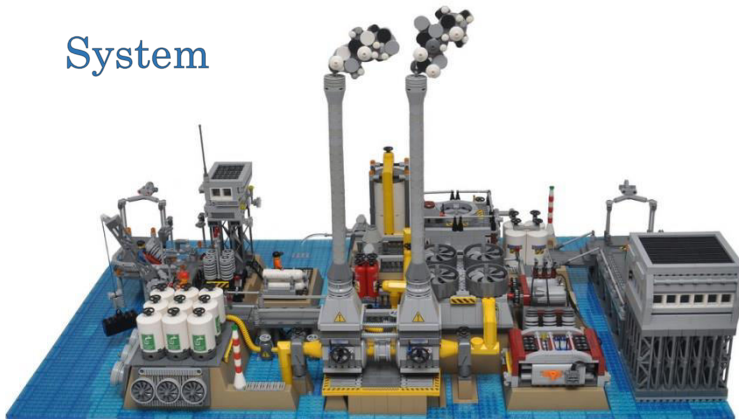
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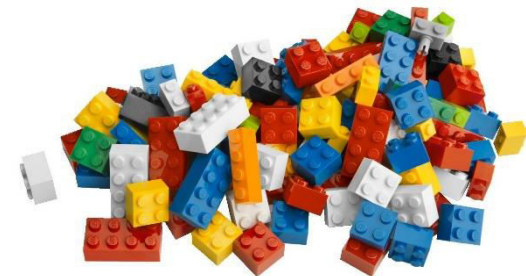
III. SWG Technologies

Smart Water Treatment (1-1): Use of various water resources for various purposes

Conventional water resource + Alternative water resource

Water blending

River water

Waste water

Rain water

Ground water

Wastewater reclamation

Rainwater harvesting

Well intake

Smart Water Treatment (1-1) : The Pilot Plant

This is the first pilot plant that has various water treatment combinations using multi-source water.
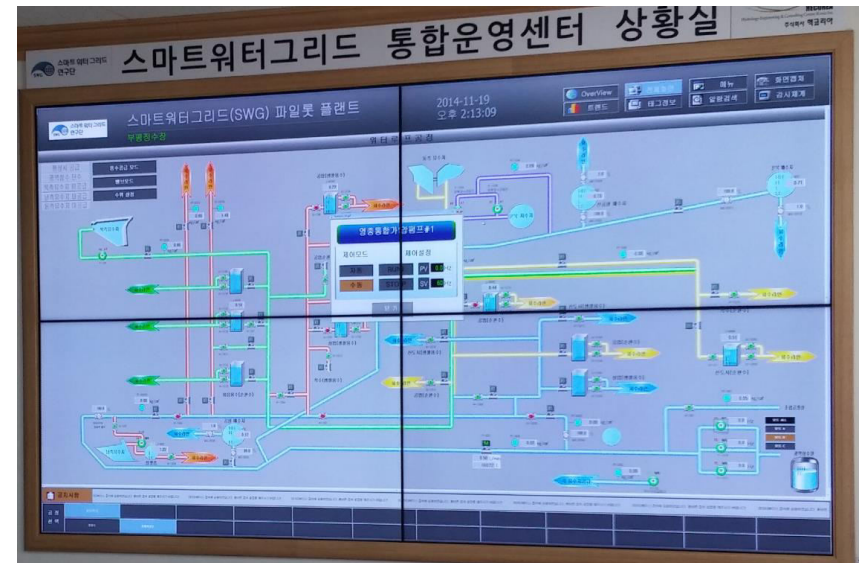
Smart Water Treatment (1-1) : Water Treatment

River water and groundwater are used as the source water for the water treatment system. Novel unit processes such as a microbubble system are also considered.

Smart Water Treatment (1-2) : Wastewater Reclamation

Together with collected rainwater, wastewater effluent from secondary treatment is used as the source water. The treated water is intended to be used for industrial purposes.

Smart Water Treatment (1-2) : Desalination

In this desalination system, brackish water and seawater are used as the source water. A submerged flat-sheet membrane is adopted as the pretreatment for RO.

Multi-Water Loop (1-2)

Multi-water loop consists of conventional water distribution networks and reclaimed water distribution networks. It also has advanced features compared with conventional water network technologies
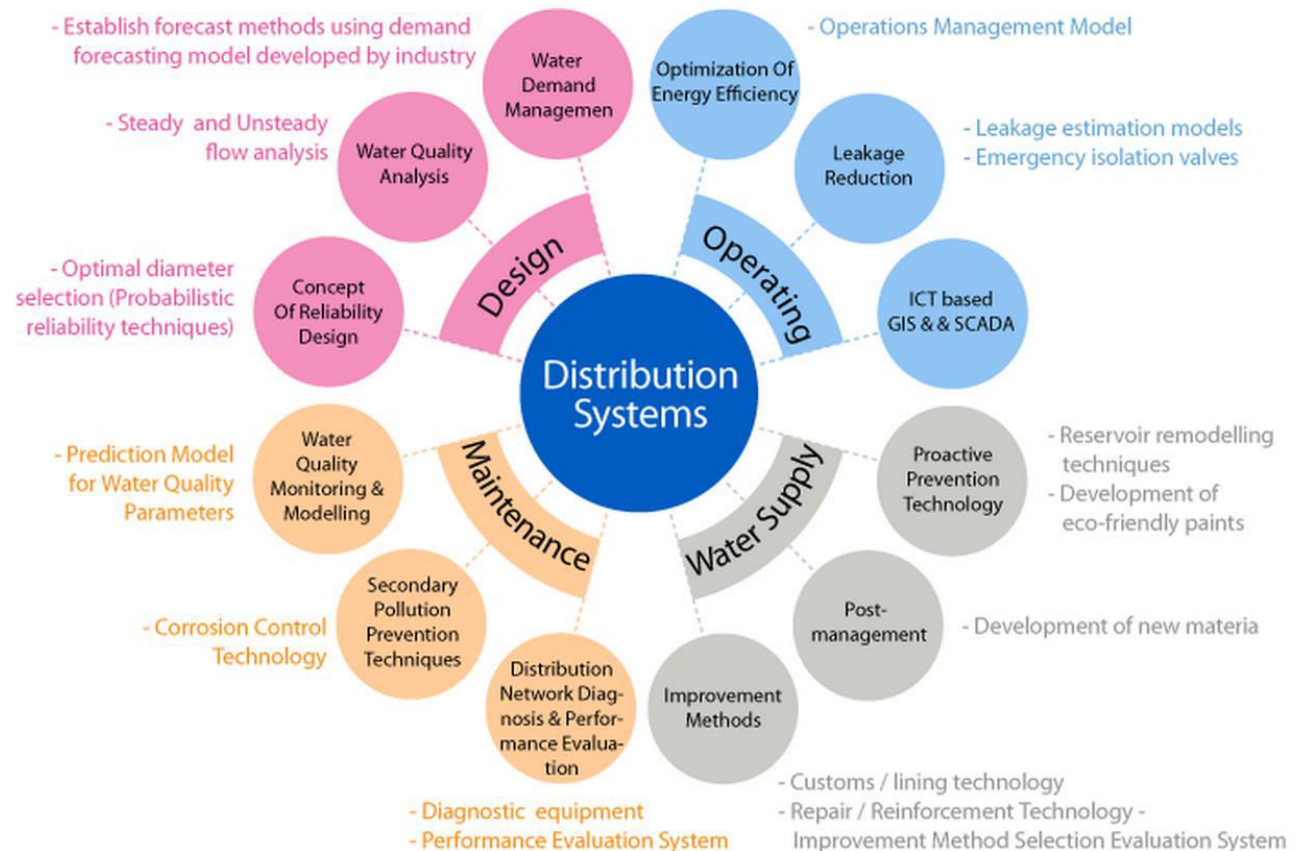
Multi-Water Loop (1-2) : Field Test System

Pilot-scale experiments for simulated multi-water are ongoing to determine key parameters to successful its design and operation in full-scale.

Water Resource Information System (2-1)

Water resource information system can visualize the real-time data from various sensors and devices, allowing the optimized use of various water resources.
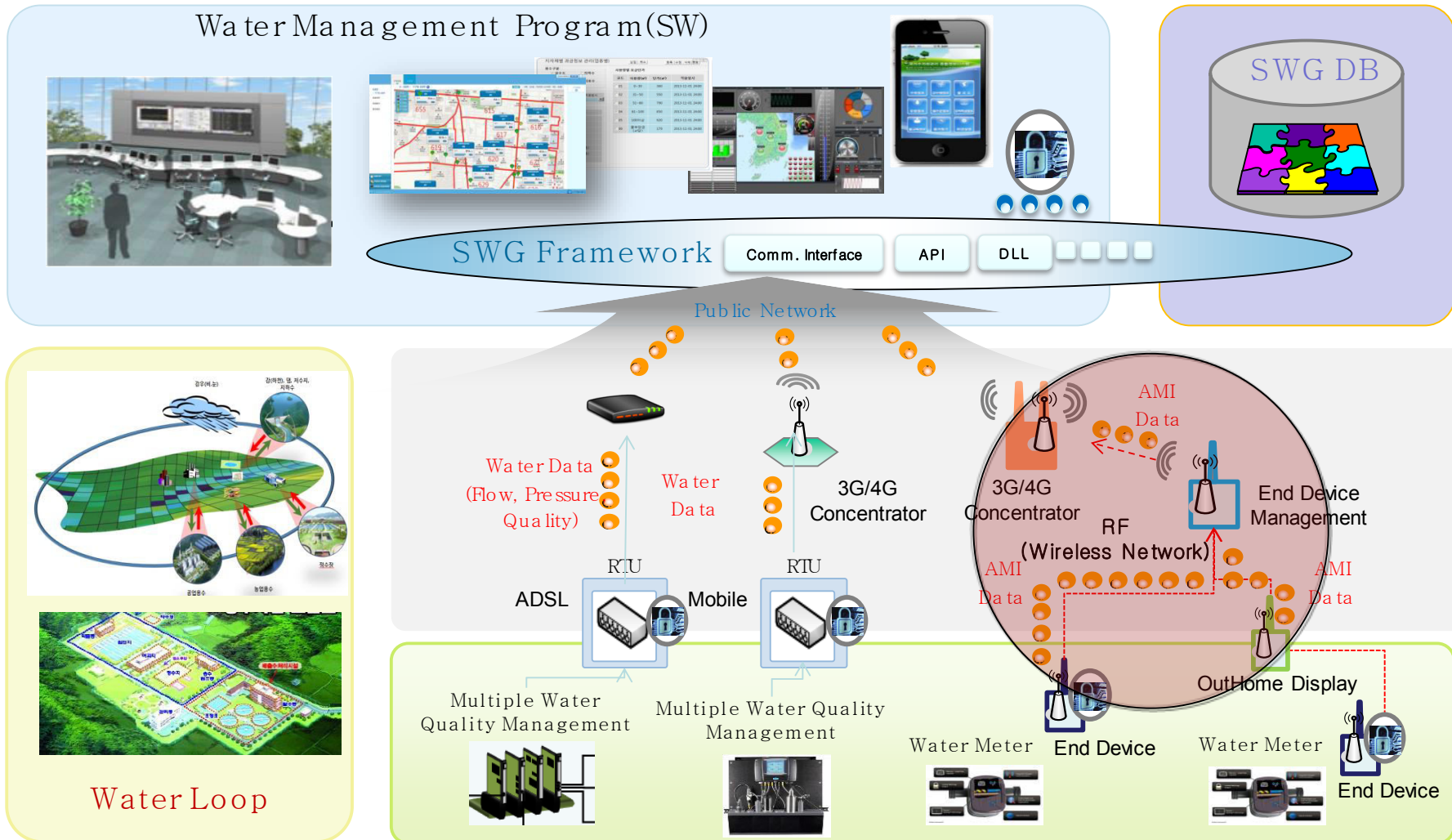
AMI (3-1)

A smart water meter is usually an electronic device that records consumption of water in intervals of an hour or less and communicates that information for monitoring and billing purposes. An advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) containing smart water meters enables two-way communications with the meter.
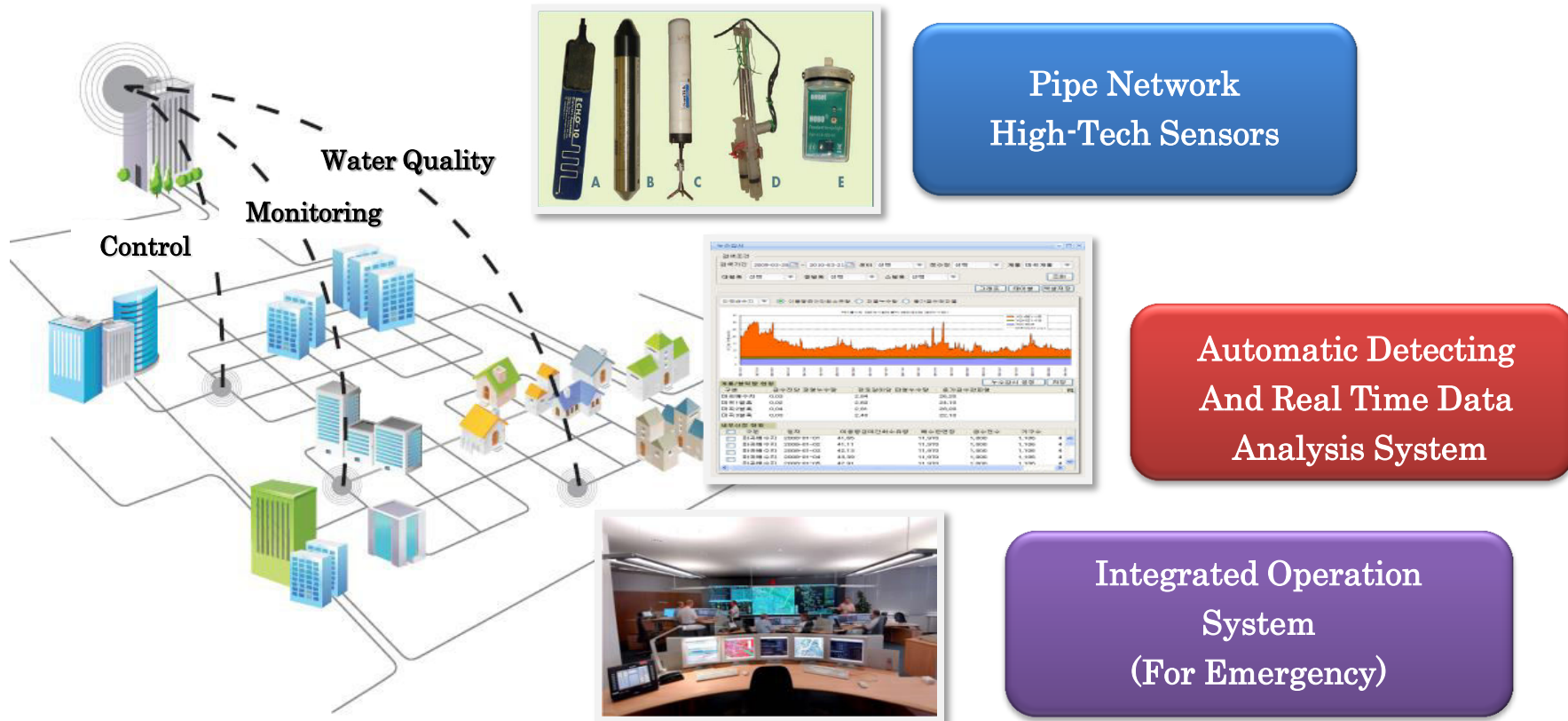
AMI (3-1) : Advanced Metering Infrastructure

Water Management Program(SW)

SWG DB

SWG Framework — Comm. Interface | API | DLL

Public Network

Water Data
(Flow, Pressure, Quality)

Water Data

3G/4G Concentrator

3G/4G Concentrator

AMI Data

End Device Management

RF
(Wireless Network)

AMI Data

AMI Data

RTU

RTU

ADSL

Mobile

Multiple Water Quality Management

Multiple Water Quality Management

OutHome Display

Water Loop

Water Meter

End Device

Water Meter

End Device

Smart Sensor Network (3-2)

The smart sensor network allows the continuous monitoring of water quality and quantity, leading to better management under various situations.

Water Quality

Monitoring

Control

Pipe Network High-Tech Sensors

Automatic Detecting And Real Time Data Analysis System

Integrated Operation System (For Emergency)

Smartphone Apps for Smart Water User (3-3)

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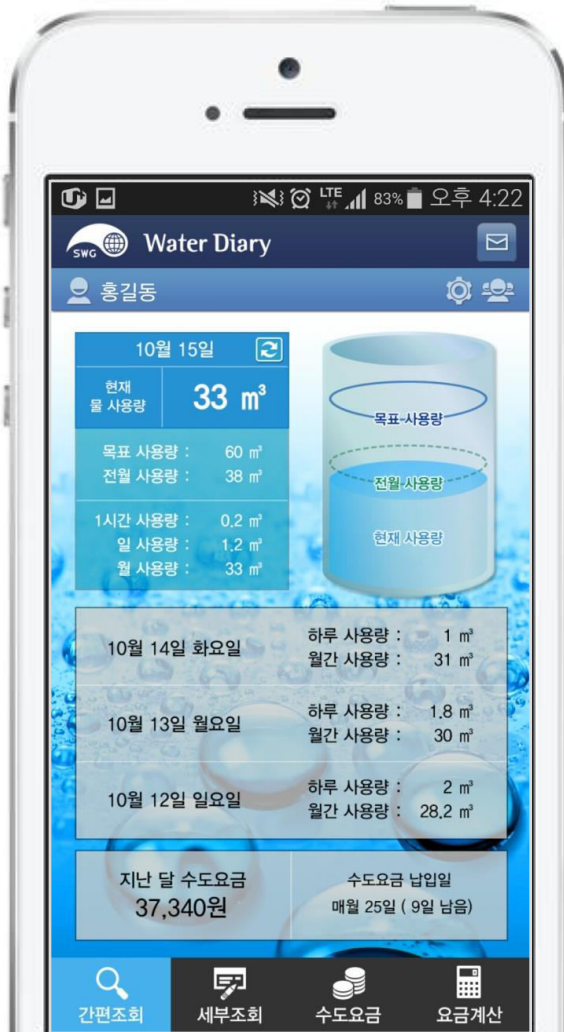Smart water grid technologies can lead to a significant contribution in overcoming water management challenges in the 21st century

Main Menu

Setting Menu

Water Usage Report

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Water Tariff Report Detailed Information Alarm Menu

Water Decision Support System

A Decision Support System (DSS) is a computer-based information system that supports business or organizational decision-making activities. The water DSS serves the design, management, and operations of water infrastructures. and help to make decisions.

DSS

Simulation

AMI

DB

Knowledge

Information

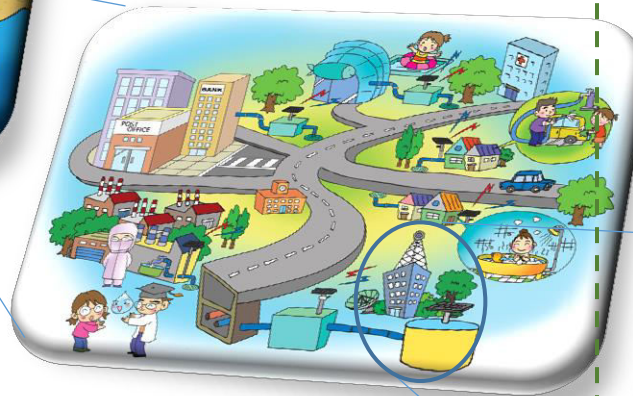**Data**

Action

Smart Meter

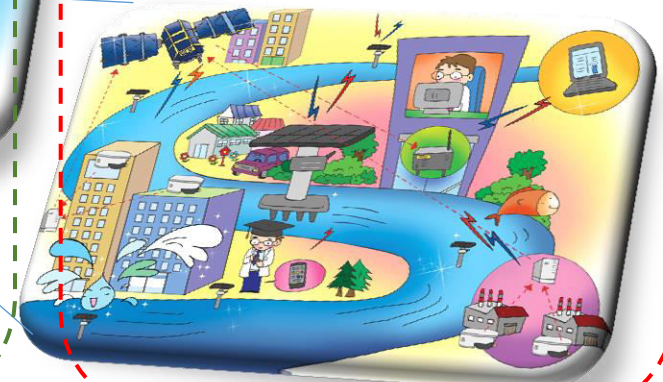Smart Sensor
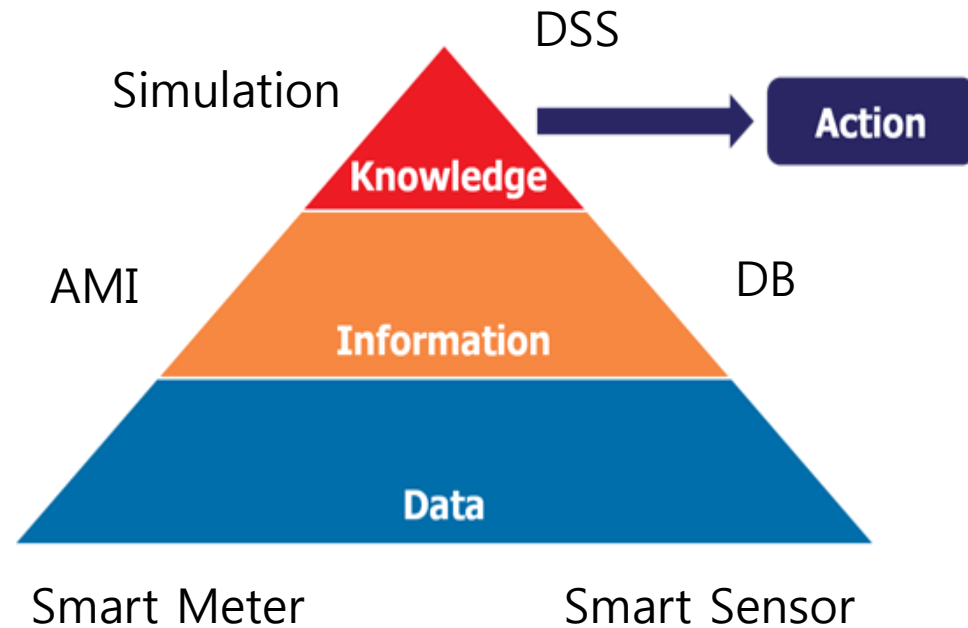
Smart Water Grid in Different Scales

Macrogrid
(city, big town, etc.)

Mesogrid
(mid-size town, etc.)

Small-scale (1-3)

Microgrid
(building, small town)

Large-scale (1-4)

Design, Development, and Operation of Demo Plant (1-3)

A demo plant is a system for evaluating the TRLs of the technologies. It will provide a platform for system integration and performance evaluation. Moreover, the demo plant will be a "reference" for small-scale smart water grid systems.
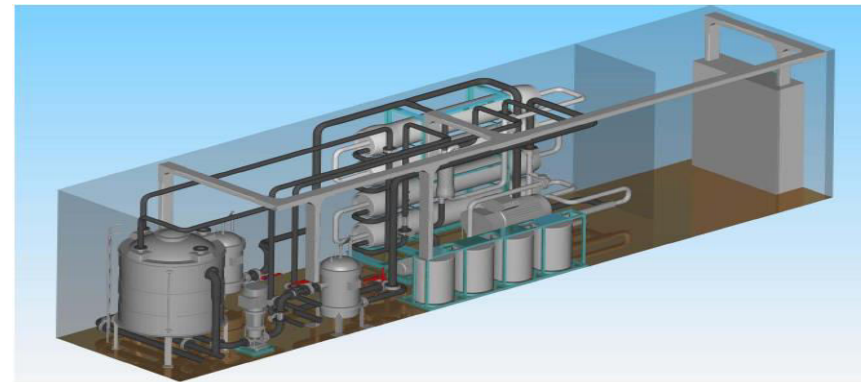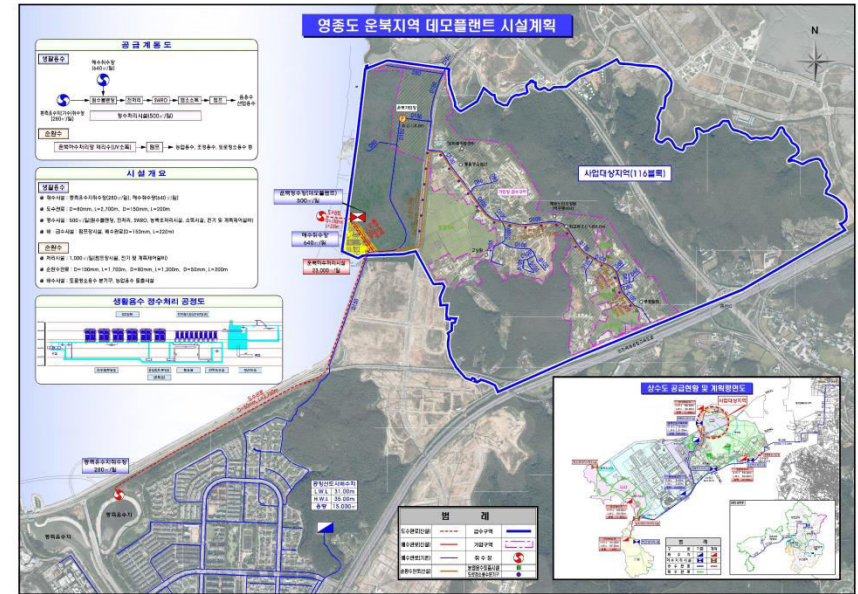
3. SWG Technologies

Type 1 : SWG System focused on water treatment

*In-depth analysis of available water resource

*Multi-source water treatment

Seawater

Brackish water

Surface water

Rainwater

Information

*Intelligent management
*Integrated DB

*Leakage prevention

*Smartphone apps

*AMI

Water supply

*Smart Meter

Consumer

* SWG technologies

Type 2 : SWG System focused on water service

Water Treatment

Water Quality

Monitoring

Control

***Smart Water**

Quantity information

***Smartphone apps**

Leakage prevention

Quality information

***Intelligent management**
***Integrated DB**

***Smart sensor**

Consumer

*** SWG technologies**
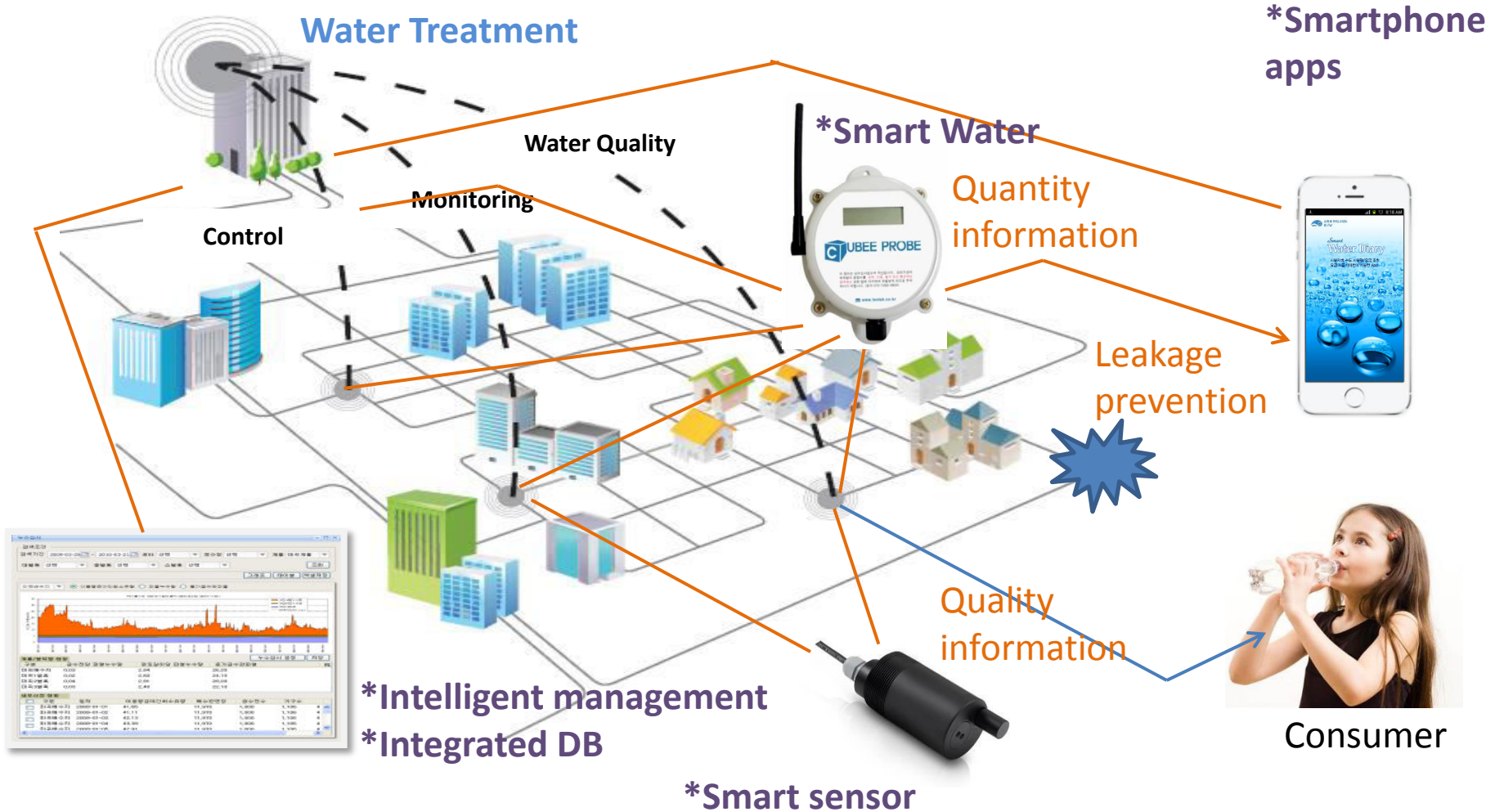
Design of Test Bed System (1-4)

A test bed is a platform for experimentation of large development projects. As one of the final results of the smart water grid research, test bed systems are designed to provide essential information for practical implementation of smart water grid system.

Saemangeum

Yeongjongdo

Test Bed System (1-4): Expected Effects

Water Efficiency

Security

Welfare

- **Cost reduction by 10 billon won**

- **Decentralized water supply up to 50%**

- **Increase in Customer Satisfaction Index by 20 %**

Total cost (1,000 million won)

Const.   **O&M**

IV. Future

Applications of Smart Water Grid

Expected Benefits of Smart Water Grid

Solution for Major Water Issues including:

Water Quantity

Water Security

Water Quality

Water Safety

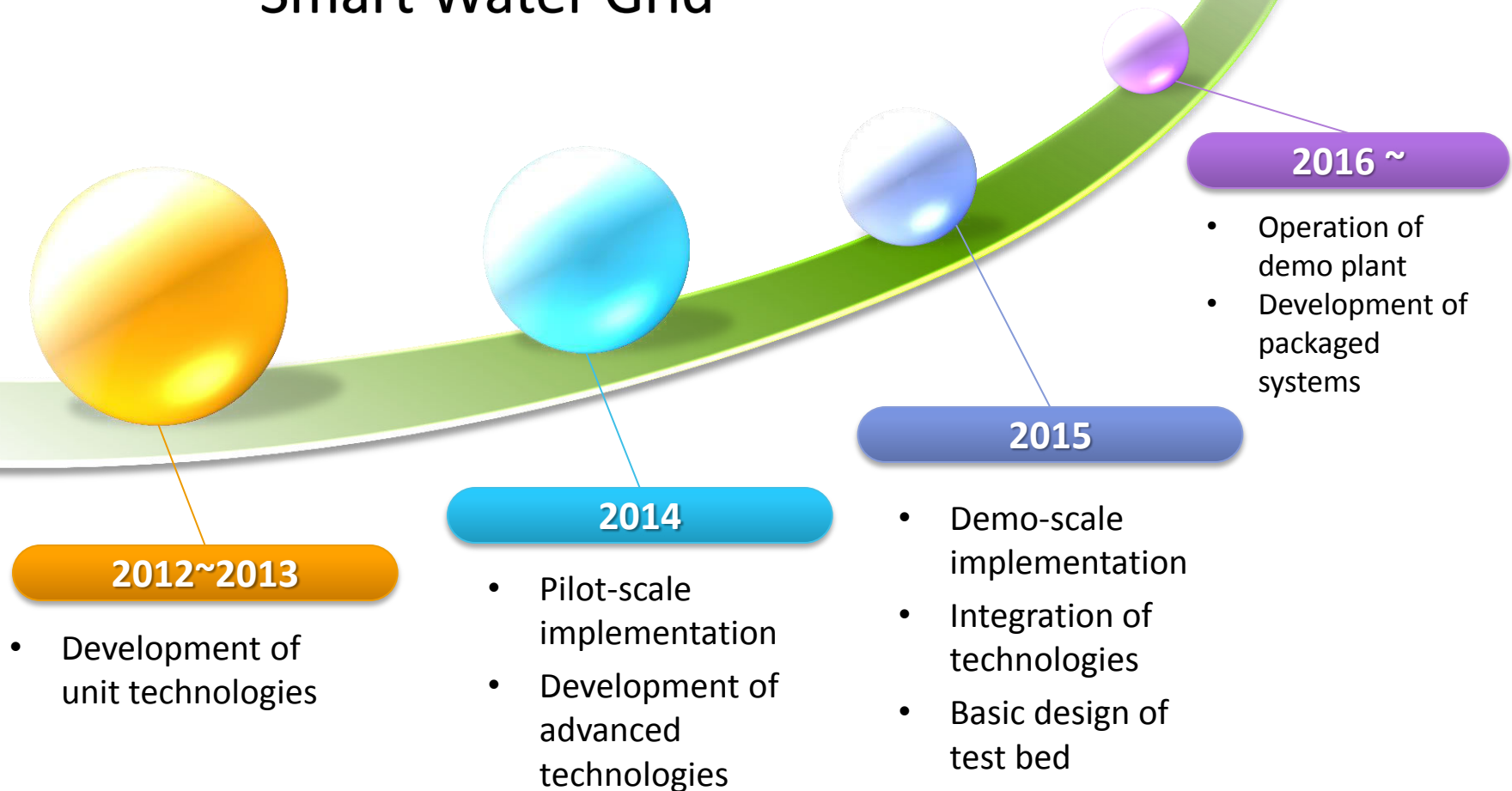**Water Tariff**

Smart

+

Water

+

Grid

Water welfare & Waternomics

Key Restraints against Smart Water Grid

- **Political**
  - -Low government push
  - -Unsustainable subsidies

- **Organisational**
  - -Business Case
  - -Integration
  - -Risk averse
  - -Silos

- **Market**
  - -Fractured / Consolidating
  - -Low turnkey opportunity

- **Technological**
  - -Hardware v Software
  - -Simplification
  - -Integration
  - -Longevity
  - -Proprietary v Open

- **Social**
  - -Privacy
  - -Health
  - -Buy in
  - -Low incentive

Source: Frost and Sullivan

Technology Roadmap for Smart Water Grid

2012~2013
- Development of unit technologies

2014
- Pilot-scale implementation
- Development of advanced technologies

2015
- Demo-scale implementation
- Integration of technologies
- Basic design of test bed

2016 ~
- Operation of demo plant
- Development of packaged systems

Smart Water Grid: Future of Water

Smart water grid can make better future for our children by providing technologies for sustainable water resources. There are infinite possibilities from combinations of water technologies and ICT. Our "Smart Water Grid Research Group" will do our best to develop and implement the technologies.