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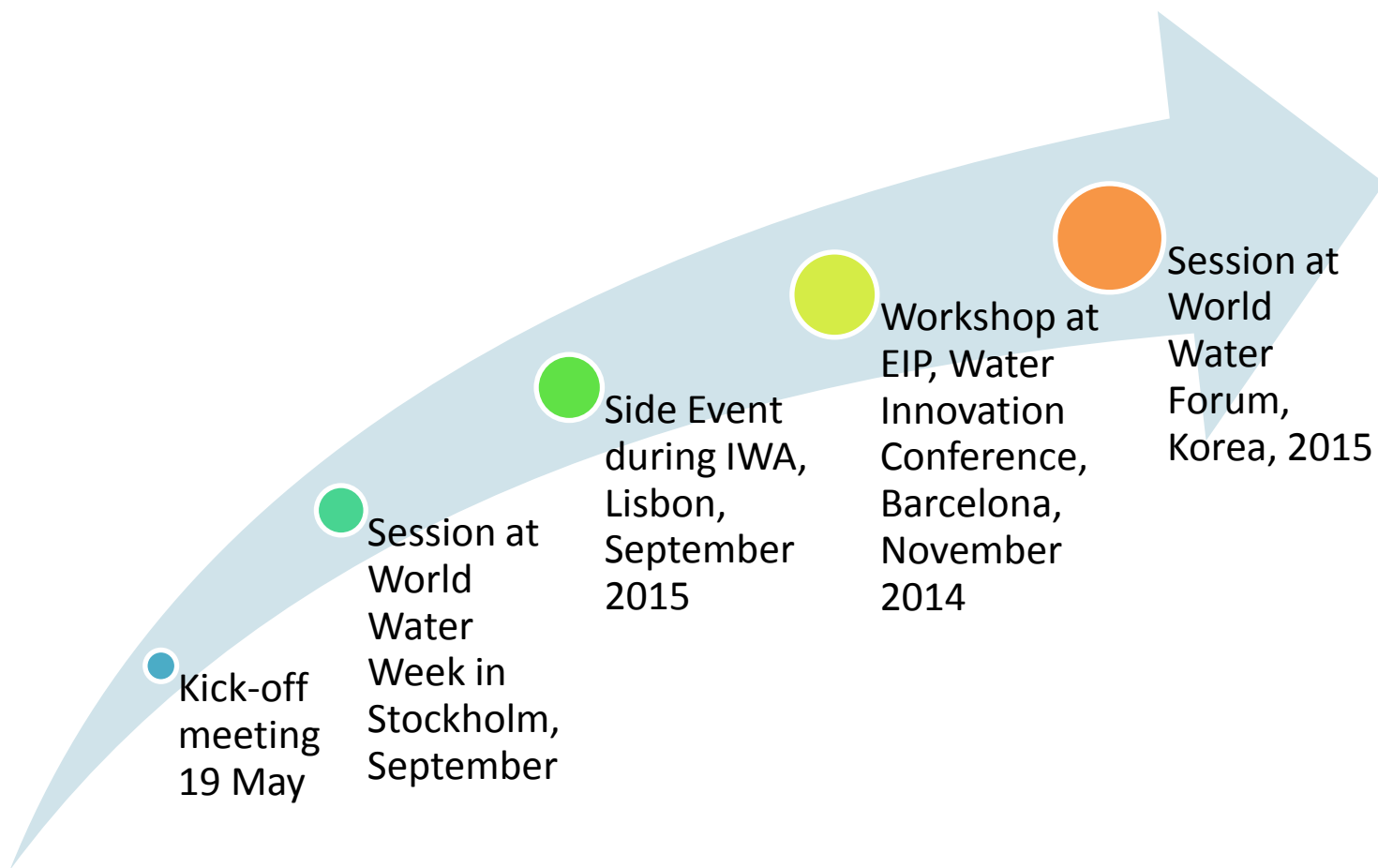
European process for

EU & MED, INTERREGIONAL SESSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
14 april 2015 – Hyundai Hotel, Gyeongju
Outcomes of European Regional Process – Miriam Feilberg

European Regional Process 2014

DWF Danish Water Forum

pfe partenariat français pour l'eau french water partnership fwp

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Linking Science and Technology selected as topic at Kick-off meeting 19 May, Brussels

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Session at World Water Week in Stockholm, September

Side Event during IWA, Lisbon, September 2015

Workshop at EIP, Water Innovation Conference, Barcelona, November 2014

Session at World Water Forum, Korea, 2015

Sector fragmentation

- Difficult to apply technologies, secure technology transfer from research to innovation
- Very diverse sector. Difficult to overcome fragmentation in sector and from research to practice.

Funding

- Funding must promote innovation.
- There is limited availability of private funding.

Demonstration options must be improved

- Need for more showcases and demo-sites to improve innovation.
- Better opportunities for SME's to participate in demonstration activities

Public procurements	Insufficient regulatory frameworks
• Procurement methods does not support innovation	• Regulation does not support innovation

Recommendations for European action, policy, technology, institutions

- Study the link: Desirable to users/possible with technology/viable at market

- Establishment of public-private partnerships - Triple-Helix approaches to promote innovation

- Cooperation between institutions for funding

- Develop coherent EU regulatory frameworks and funding mechanisms

- Improve support for demonstration activities

- Support to SME's

- Public procurement and tendering must be less risk-adverse and support new technologies and inventions

Examples of solutions, addressing challenges

- Horizon 2020 promotes partnerships
- EU links research (H2020) and growth promotion (COSME) to create favourable business environment and competitiveness. This includes support to SME's : Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) set up under COSME supports SMEs for EU funding
- EIP Action groups bridges stakeholders, includes users
- WSSTP and national technology platforms
- National examples of triple-helix approaches: Netherlands, Denmark – and more?

Continue session with presentation of experiences and lessons learned:
- **Netherlands**
- **Switzerland**
- **EU – JRC**
- **JPI – Turkey**
- **Denmark – EU - China**