

COMPAGNIE INTERCOMMUNALE LIEGEOISE DES EAUX

## **Smart Water Networks :**

# Current situation and Challenges for the Future

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#### **General overview : CILE (Belgium)**

North Atlantic Ocean Bruxelles Leuven Brussel H ass elf Namur 20 40 km Mediterranean Sea Distributeurs publics (siège social) Le territoire de chaque distributeur est subdivisé en zones de distribut ALE C (South A.I.E.M. (Mottot) C.I.E.S.A.C. (Clavid C.I.L.E. (Liége) I.D.E.N. (Nandrin I.E.C.B.W. (Gen LE.G. (Mouscron) I.N.A.S.E.P. (Philipp REGIES ET SERVICES COM S.W.D.E. (Verviers)

2<sup>nd</sup> biggest water op. in Wallonia 35 Mill. m<sup>3</sup> per year water **5** different production sites 128 Mill. € : turnover 565.000 citizens 24 communes (± 1400 km<sup>2</sup>) **260.000** water meters (regulation) 80% total distribution yield **400** employees





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#### **Property assets**

325 engineering structures104 pumping electrical stations3.500 km water pipes







#### **Telemanagement**



- More than 250 connected sites
- PLC (T-BOX)
- Continuous transmission of the data by 3G/4G technology or phone or coaxial cable
- Supervision software (CONTROL MAESTRO)
- Transmission of alarms 24/7
- A team of 2 qualified people + 4 electricians
- Daily reporting of the consumption values for more than 400 distribution districts including the night flow



#### **Telemanagement**



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- Completely integrated in the IT structure of the Company
- Secure VPN access
- SLA contract with a supplier in charge of all the communication lines, including backup.





### Challenges

#### On the water distribution network

 Increasing of the number of flowmeters in order to improve the global performance of the network

 Alternative power supply by recovering of the expansion energy in a small water turbine (50l/min at 0.6 bar -> 14W stored in a 12V & 24V DC battery)

 Continuous quality control with the installation of monitoring stations











### Challenges

#### On the domestic scale

Smart metering with the mutualisation of the costs of communication with other partners (such as companies in charge of electricity or gas distribution network)

Coupling smart meters with automatic valves (reverse flow or prepaid)

Improvement of the service with a quicker answer to customers in case of leaks and/or to optimize the performance of the private consumption and of the public distribution network



