# Symposium on Business, Water and Wetlands

# Responding to risks and opportunities

Case study: Food & Beverages

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#### **Agenda**

- Global Water resources context in Danone Waters
- 2. Case study: Water resources management of evian natural mineral water



- Danone Waters produces bottled water in 12 countries including <u>87 sites</u> and more than 200 springs
- Water as ingredient is exclusively groundwater
- Then Water Resources Management is key in order to ensure sustainable availability in term of quantity and quality, by covering:
  - Physical and Environmental management
  - Social & Cultural management through partnership



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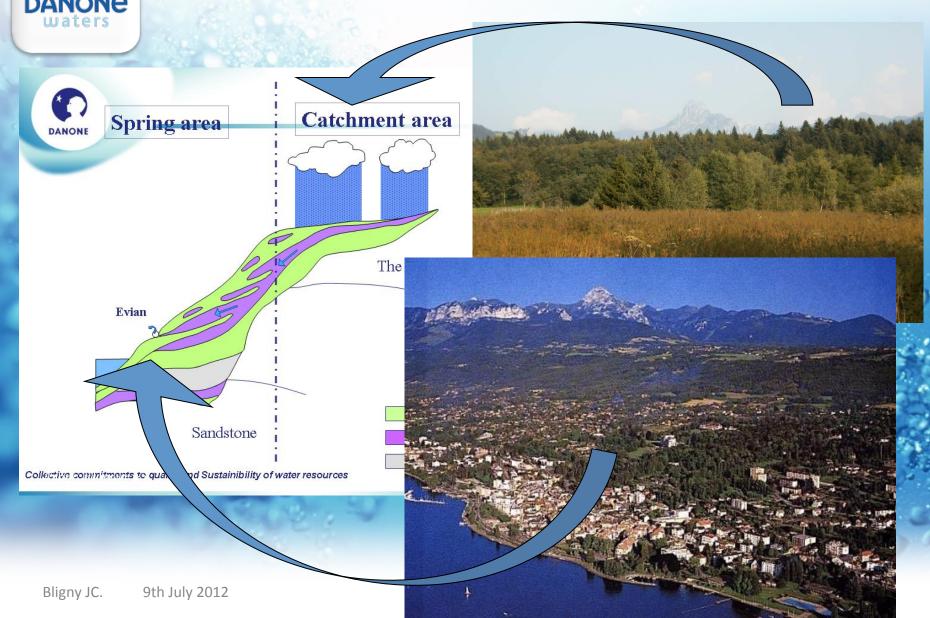


### **Hydrogeological context**





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#### **Environmental and social context**

#### Spring area:

- Hydrogeologically protected by a thick layer of clay, artesian spring...
- Anthropogenic and urbanization risks (excavation, drilling, building, ...) regulated through a Water protection law since 1926.

#### Catchment area :

- A <u>natural landscape</u> composed by 50% of meadows, 20% of forest, 10% of wetland, 6% cultivation, and 4% villages.
- The main activity is farming based on "AOC" high-quality cheese production.
- evian Company: Founded more than 100 years, providing employment directly for 1000 workers, and indirectly 2000 jobs, main incomes for villages of Spring Area.



# In 1992, **E**vian created an association **APIEME**

(Association for the protection of the evian mineral water catchment area)

Catchment Area Villages

member

**APIEME** 



Maintain the hydro cycle ecosystem Actions for the improvement and the protection of the environment

Spring Area Villages

**€** member



Actions for local development



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member

 Strong agriculture but not polluting Actions for an environmental friendly agriculture

Administration County

member

Wetlands management





2009 Wetlands protection



#### As conclusion...

- We deploy a similar and <u>adapted</u> model to other countries, in order to manage physical, environmental and social risks by embarking community, authorities ... in Indonesia, China, Argentina....
- Then becoming an opportunity to sustain water resources and regional ecosystems.





## Back-up





