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IOWater, associated with INERIS, was selected to provide technical assistance to the DG Environment of the European Union during 3 years (2005-2008). This assignment should lead to a revision of the list of priority substances of the Water Framework Directive (WFD).

In 2007, IOWater has been in charge of gathering the recent data, available in the 27 Member States of the European Union, on the concentrations of all the potentially dangerous chemical substances in water.

These data allow selecting the substances that should be urgently registered on a list of substances to be treated as a priority to protect water and users.

For this purpose, **IOWater developed an electronic collection tool, guaranteeing data quality**. It was provided to the Member States.

This gathering will support the European Commission in its discussions with the Parliament for the second reading of the proposal for a Daughter Directive on "priority substances".