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Training reference frames on "water samples"

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In early 2012, the French National Agency for Water and Aquatic Environments (ONEMA), "AQUAREF" and the International Office for Water established a working group to develop training reference frames relating to the sampler's job and based on existing "AQUAREF" guidelines and documents.

These reference frames are intended primarily to improve and homogenize practices and thereby promote better recognition of the sampler's profession. Two first training reference frames were developed by IOWater :

- "Sampling of water and phytoplankton in rivers ;
- "Water sampling in the context of the monitoring program for Water Bodies in France : Core curriculum".

Upon request of the French Water Agencies, NWTC is organizing training sessions based on these reference frames. Two other training reference frames are being developed :

- "Sampling of water and phytoplankton in lakes" ;
- "Sampling of wastewater to search for priority and emerging micro-pollutants". These reference frames are to be disseminated so that samplers can benefit from homogeneous training consistent with current technical requirements