Hydropower in Enel and implementation of WFD in Italy

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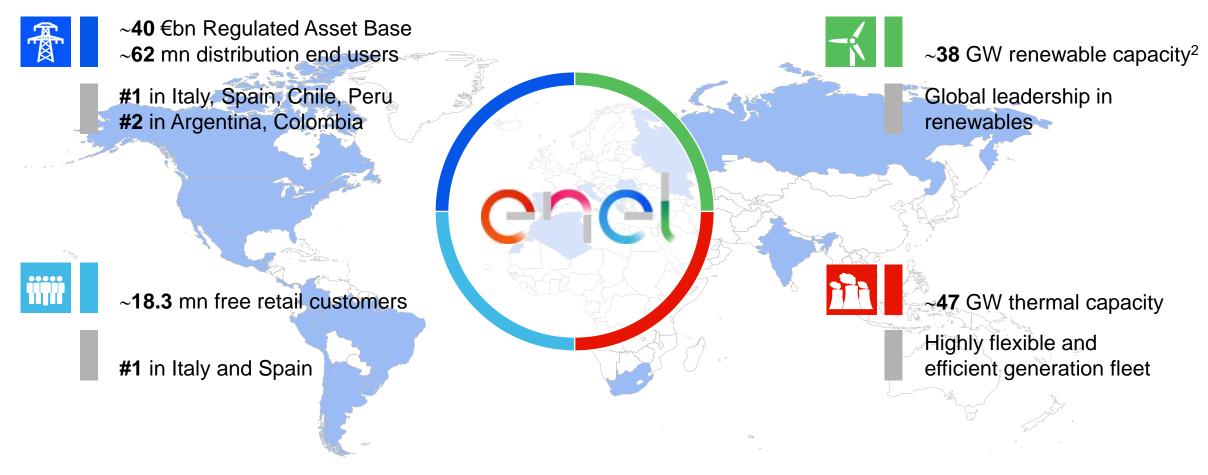
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Global and diversified operator





1. As of 2016

2. Consolidated (35.9 GW) and managed (1.9 GW) capacity including 24.9 GW of large hydro.

3. Presence with operating assets

Enel - Operational data

Leadership along the various segments of the value chain

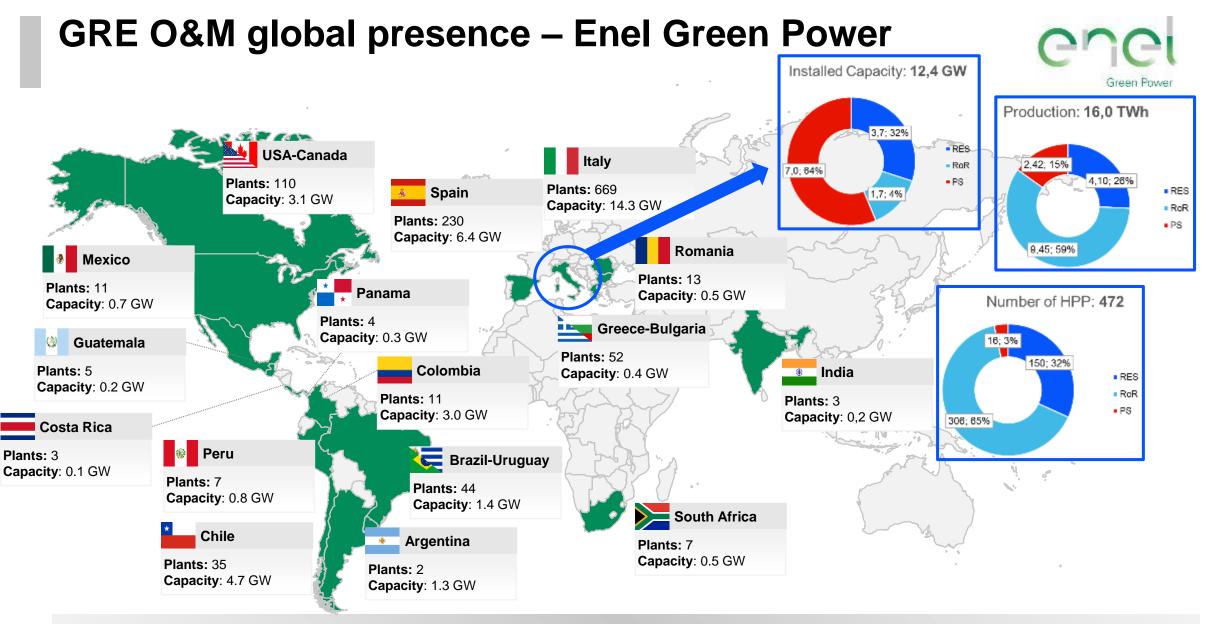


Key indicators¹



Enel and European peers²

1. Data as of December 31st 2016; 2. Data as of December 31st 2016; 3. Retail Customer: Free + Regulated; 4. Figure refers to the European perimeter (Engie does not disclosure total number of customers); 5. It doesn't include 1.9 GW of managed capacity



1,206 plants 37.6 GW installed 84.6 TWh produced 19 Countries 4,400 O&M people

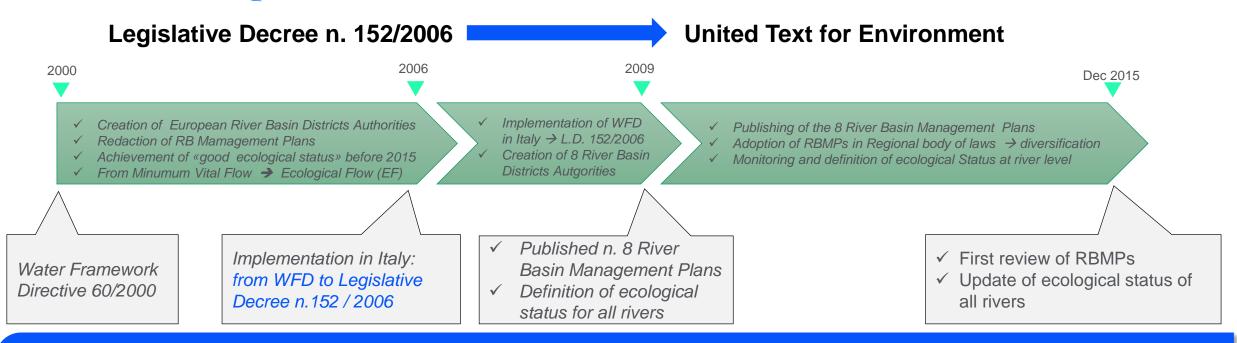
Water Framework Directive in Italy



> To prevent deterioration and enhance the status of the water environment

WFD objectives

- > To achieve the «good» ecological status of all rivers before 2015
- To reduce and prevent pollution in river basins

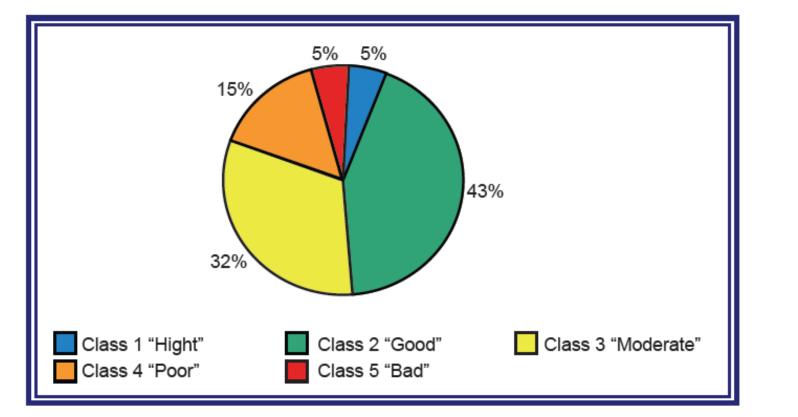


- ✓ Italy entirely implemented WFD in April 2006, by publication of Legislative Decree n. 152 (semplification of the body of laws)
- ✓ Italy completed definition and «start up» of the 8 River Basin Districts Authorities, by publisching the first edition of RBMPs in 2009
- ✓ Each RBD updated its management plan within December of 2015
- ✓ According to L.D. 152, RBMPs have to be implemented at regional level, therefore each Region adopt a «Water Safeguard Plan»

WFD in Italy – Status of implementation



Distribution of the quality status of rivers in Italy, as defined in the 8 RBMPs:



The 8 italian River Basin Districts:



Ecological Flow → plays a key role in the enhancement of the status of river basins, in order to achieve the «good» status required by WFD

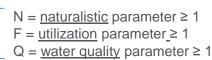
Ecological Flow

Formula to calculate Ecological Flow:

 $EF = k \cdot qmed_{,a} \cdot S \cdot M \cdot Z \cdot A \cdot T$ (I/s)

where:

k = adimensional scaling factor, specific for the river considered and defined in RBMP **qmed**,**a** = annual flow rate per unit of basin sufrace (l/s/km²) **S** = basin surface of the river section considered (km^2) **M** = morphologic parameter defined in the range $0.7 \div 1.3$ **Z** = the greatest among N, F, Q, defined as follows:





A = parameter related to the interaction between surface water and underground water defined in a range $0.5 \div 1.5$

T = parameter related to time modulation of the EF

- For current utilizations, such as Enel hydroelectric facilities, according to Legislative Decree n. 152, EF had to be defined within 31 of December 2016, except for the cases of ongoing trials.
- The approval of EF for each river is **demanded to Regional Department**, through Water Safeguard Plans, and some \succ Region established specific exceptions (case of Sicily) or temporal delays (case of trials, in most of the italian regions).



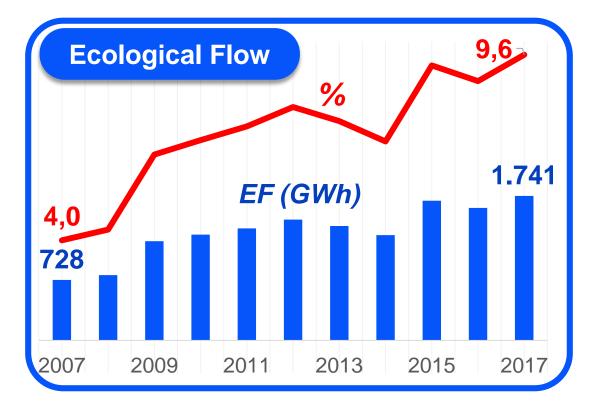


Ecological Flow



Many benefits, some drawback:

- Loss of production, with economic impact for hydropower operators
- > Additional production from traditional Thermal Power Plants, in order to cover national demand of energy



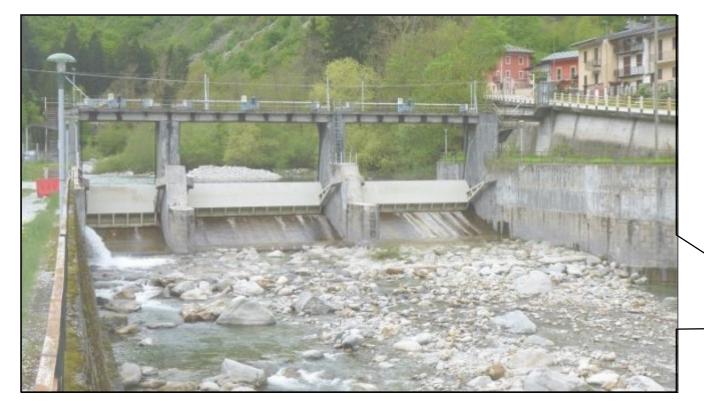
A cost-benefit evaluation, in our opinion, should be considered also in a regulatory context.

Case study: Ecological Flow on Gesso river







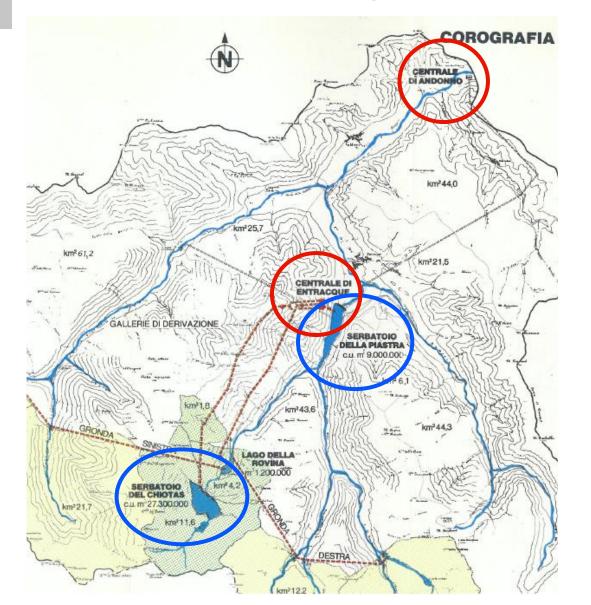


- > All activities on field commissioned by Enel SpA and performed by GRAIA srl
- > Our path: a **trial** to define Ecological Flow



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Hydro Power Plants on Gesso river:

HPP	Туре	Unit	Capacity (kW)	Gross Head (m)	Max Flow (mc/s)	Anno
ANDONNO	Reservoir	2	65.000	273	30,000	1965
ENTRACQUE CHIOTAS	Pumping Storage	8	1.065.000	1.048	128,000	1982
ENTRACQUE ROVINA	Pumping Storage	1	125.000	598	26,950	1980

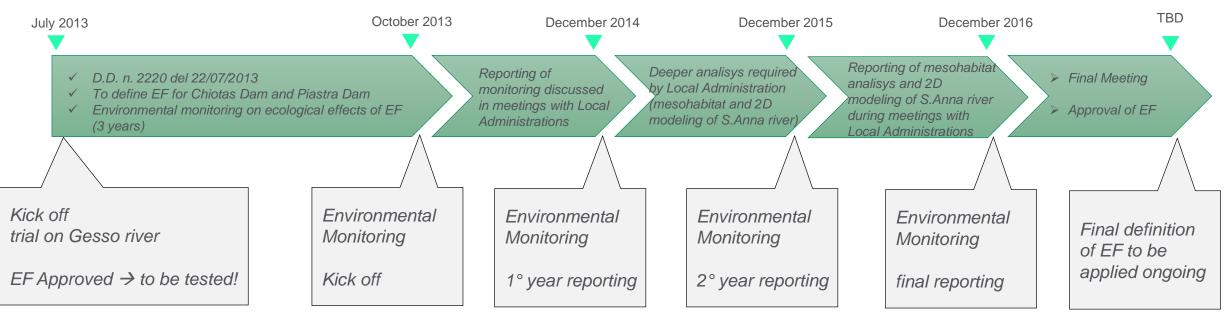
Large Dams on Gesso river:

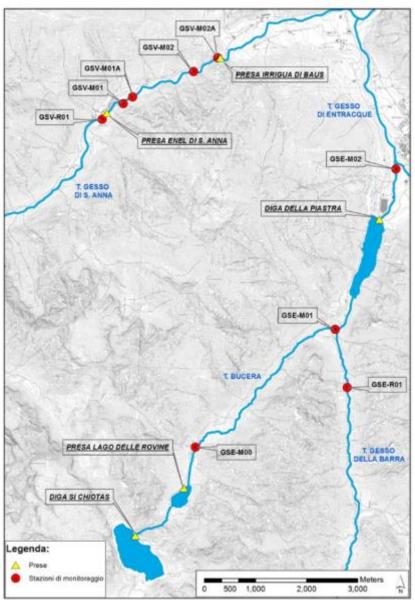
Dam	HPP	Volume Mmc
Chiotas	Entracque Chiotas	27,3
Piastra	Andonno	12,0





Trial on Gesso River:

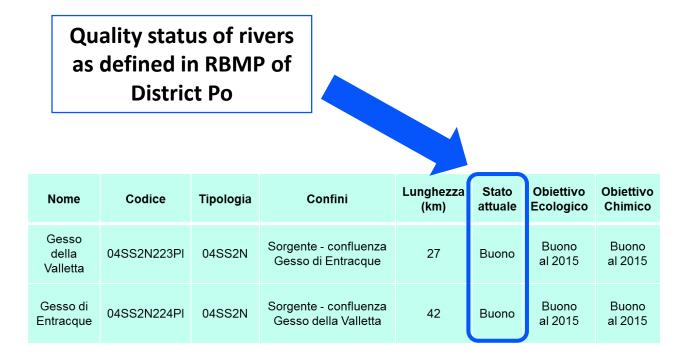




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Monitoring site:

- 7 monitoring stations for scheduled activities
- > 3 further monitoring stations for additional activities





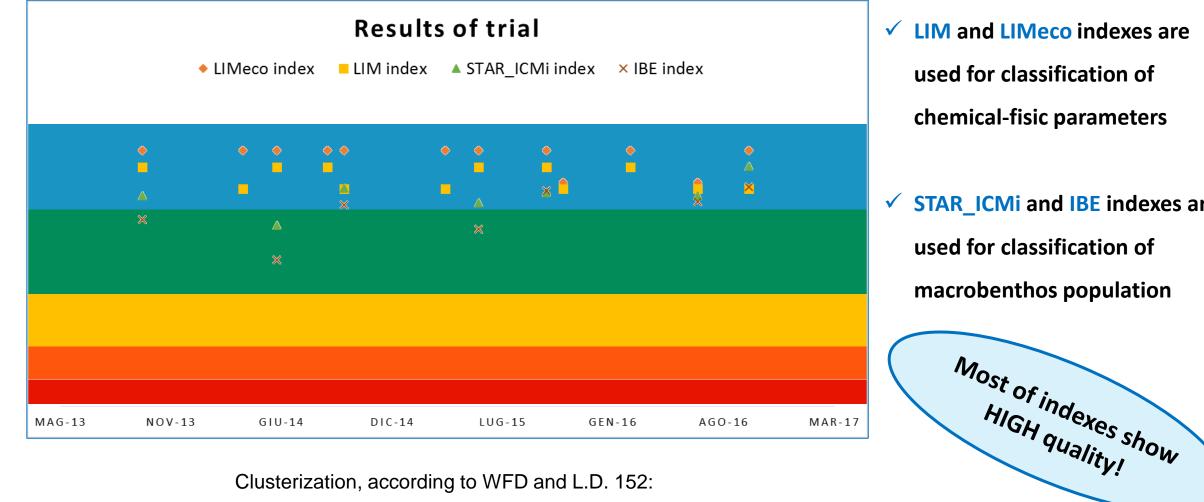
Scheduled monitoring activities:

- Flow rate measurement with determination of hydraulic-structural parameters (speed, wet area, etc..); 4 times per year
- Analisys of main chemical-fisic water parameters in order to define LIM e LIMeco indexes according to L.D. 152/06; 4 times per year
- Multihabitat measurement of macrobenthos and evaluation of STAR_ICMi index; 2 times per year
- Characterization of **diatomee bentoniche** with application of miltimetric index ICMi; 2 times per year
- Measurement of fish density; 2 times per year
- Determination of IFF index

Additional monitoring activities:

Modelization of fish habitat with bidimensional hydraulic approach (in 3 sites).
Trota Fario and Scazzone have been selected as target species.

Case study: EF on Gesso river Results



Clusterization, according to WFD and L.D. 152:

HIGH GOOD **MODERATE** POOR BAD



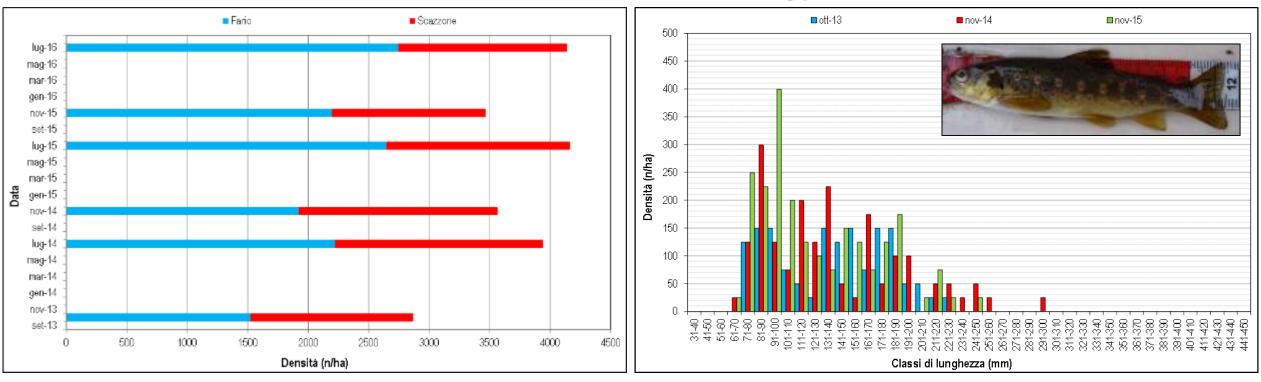
✓ LIM and LIMeco indexes are used for classification of chemical-fisic parameters

✓ **STAR_ICMi** and IBE indexes are used for classification of macrobenthos population

Measurement of fish density



Density (nº/ha)



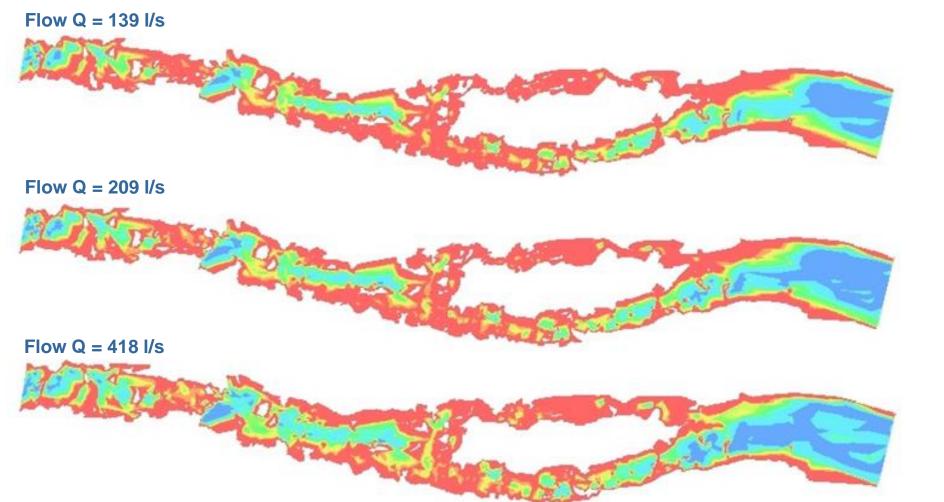
Type of trota fario in autumn

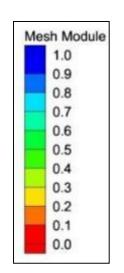
✓ On field measurements show a well structured presence of fish fauna in Gesso river, basically trota fario and scazzone

✓ Most of fishes have lenghts between 70 and 180 mm



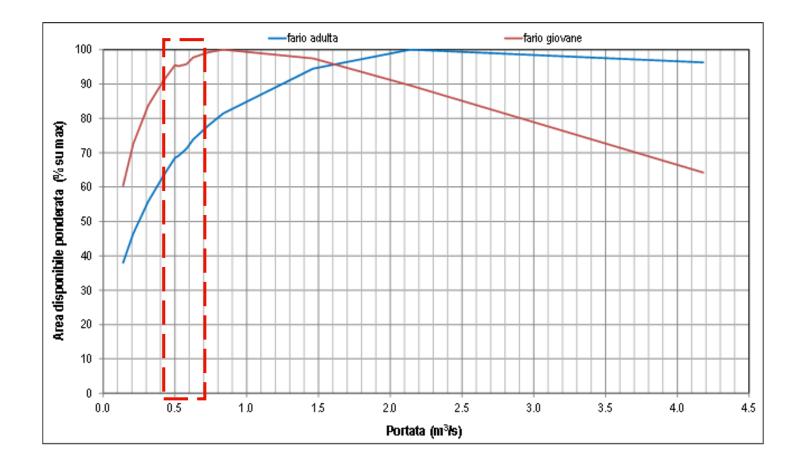
Additional activities: bidimensional simulation of *Trota Fario*'s habitat in a specific section of Gesso river







RESULTS: simulation of *Trota Fario*'s habitat



- ADP (%): parameter that represent the attitude of the fish to live in a given river section (fish's habitat)
- \blacktriangleright ADP > 60% is recognized as satisfactory
- ➢ ADP > 80% is recognized as optimum



Conclusions and final remarks



Implementation of WFD in Italy:

- ✓ Italy implemented the WFD through the **United Text for Environment** (L.D. n. 152/2006)
- ✓ Distribution of the quality status of rivers in Italy, as defined in the 8 RBMPs, show a majority of «good» and «moderate» status
- ✓ According to L.D. 152, RBMPs are implemented at regional level by adoption of Water Safeguard Plans for each Region
- ✓ Therefore the new opportunity of trials in order to define the Ecological Flow for existing hydro facilities is born
- The application of EF has many benefits, but also some drawback, such as loss of production and additional capacity required

Trial on Gesso river:

- Ecological flow (as a result of the trial) define a «good» status on Gesso river, «high» for many parameters
- ✓ With sepcific respect to trota fario's habitat, it is not possible to establish a single value of flow rate that is optimal for both adult and young exemples, therefore a compromise is necessary
- Bidimensional simulation shows that increasing the EF up to the values determined in the trial has no benefits for environment and fishes' habitat

