

themes (see also Fig. 2): (1) Hydrological processes in a changing environment: Coping with uncertainties; (2) Floods, droughts and water risks in a changing socio-hydrological context: Feedbacks between water resources and social systems; (3) Water resources: Monitoring, integrated assessment and management; (4) Optimization of water resources systems: changing boundary conditions, targets and criteria of water management.

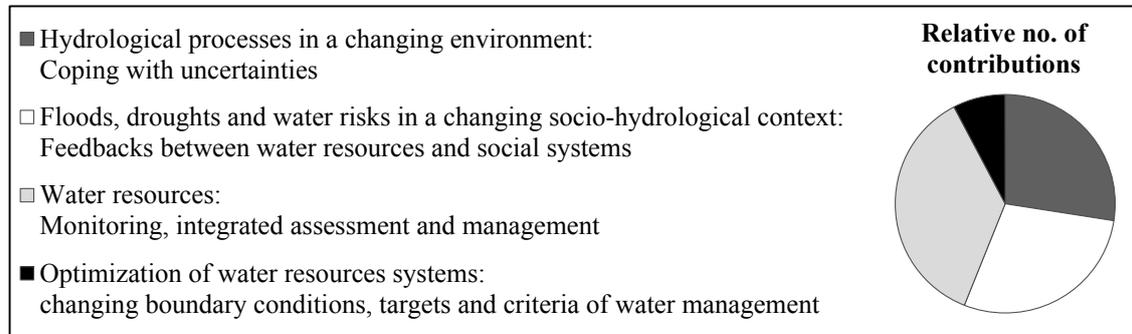


Fig. 2 Main themes of “Evolving Water Resources Systems: Understanding, Predicting and Managing Water–Society Interactions” and relative number of contributions in this volume.

The collection of papers included in this volume, by virtue of the broad spectrum of geographic and climatic conditions, and the composite palette of emerging and topical water issues addressed by the studies, represents a unique piece of knowledge for advancing our understanding of water–society interactions, improving integrated water resources systems management and governance, and addressing the water problems for the next generations.

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