

## Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift van Alberto Quintavalla

1. Integrated Water Resource Management should not automatically be the preferred regulatory approach in regulating water resources.
2. The conceptualisations of water and the regulatory approaches resulting thereof vary both in terms of geographical space and historical context.
3. A single regulatory approach cannot accommodate all the policy preferences resulting from the different perceptions of water.
4. The incorporation of the Integrated Water Resource Management paradigm in the EU regulatory system failed to live up to the expectations as set forth in the Water Framework Directive's preamble and as presented by the academic community.
5. The choice between integration through standards and sectoralism is not overly salient as both approaches *de facto* produce similar regulatory implications.
6. The EU should consider the legal historical backgrounds of the member states when drafting EU legislation.
7. A purely monodisciplinary approach does not contribute to the advancement of research in the humanities and social sciences.
8. International water law currently conceptualises states as functional actors since it imposes duties on them in the interest of individuals and groups located in their territory.
9. Technological innovation should not in itself be a rationale for regulation.
10. Economic constraints may call for a prioritisation of human rights.
11. The eleventh proposition should be left blank lest it hurt somebody's feelings.