

Review of: "Policy-Based Water Management Challenges at the Local Level Under Non-traditional Security Perspective: The Case of Hanoi City, Vietnam"

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The article is well structured, and from the beginning, both the objective and the methodology with which the authors approach this multidisciplinary analysis are clear.

The authors guide the reader step by step through the logical steps that lead to the creation of the multidisciplinary matrix for WS' evaluation. The chosen matrix, structured in this way, is complete and at the same time always expandable, both for the qualitative and quantitative parts of elements and factors, so it is very valid for describing and governing the complex system that is analyzed in the case study. Structured in this way, this matrix is very useful for analyzing and managing any complex system at any scale, urban and territorial. It is very useful, in the conclusions, to indicate the limitations that the authors highlight about the method; this makes it clear what the next steps of the research may be.

The only unexplained step, but still clear if you are an expert in the field, is found in the conclusions. The IPCC business as usual scenario is correctly named (page 37), but no reference is made to the panel, even in the references. Given the importance of the topic for the subject studied in the article, perhaps it could also be contextualized in the introduction, so as to correspond to this theme with the same orderly sequentiality with which each topic is presented and discussed in this article. Only this part could be the subject of a minor revision, but mine is a suggestion; I leave the decision to the editor and the authors.