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# TRAINING ON EVALUATING AND STRUCTURING PPPS IN THE WATER SECTOR

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## PPP case study – Poland

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## Successful PPP: Water Management with Saur Neptun Gdańsk (1)

- Saur Neptun Gdańsk (SNG) water management project has been identified as one of the best potential examples of projects with PPP characteristics in Poland.
- This is a 30-year contract for the operation and management of a water supply system signed by the City of Gdańsk with the French company Saur in 1993.
- It was established on the basis of the Municipal Services Act and the Property Management Act long before formal PPP legislation had been introduced.
- This arrangement involved both water supply and the collection and treatment of sewage for the neighbouring cities of Gdańsk and Sopot.
- Poor water quality, leaks, interruptions to supply and inadequately treated sewage had all been problematic while the public authorities did not have sufficient funds to rectify these issues.
- By 2007, there had been over 1,300 km of water supply network and almost 1,100 km of sewerage installed in both cities.

## Successful PPP: Water Management with Saur Neptun Gdańsk (2)

- According to the contract, the operator has been obliged to provide permanent services of high quality and this requirement led to the modernisation of the infrastructure, still owned by the public authority.
- Between 1993 and 2005 SNG successfully implemented innovative solutions for both the organisation of the company and technological development.
- In 2005 the City Council of Gdańsk passed a resolution according to which, the new company Gdańska Infrastruktura Wodociągowo-Kanalizacyjna (GIWK-Waterworks Infrastructure of Gdańsk) became the owner of the infrastructure and this was accepted by the European Commission. (EU Grant),
- The implementation of the project in compliance with contractual requirements provided the citizens of Gdańsk and Sopot with high quality services.
- SNG was entitled a “good partner of local government” for its model cooperation with local authorities.
- The company also received an honour of being a patron of local sport.

# Saur Neptun Gdańsk – responsibilities

SAUR NEPTUN GDAŃSK



-  operating and maintaining of the water sewage system,
-  securing the continuous delivery of water at required standard,
-  securing the water sewage at required standard,
-  servicing clients,
-  consulting technical documentation,
-  renovation and preventive works.

GIWK  
(Waterworks  
Infrastructure of Gdańsk)



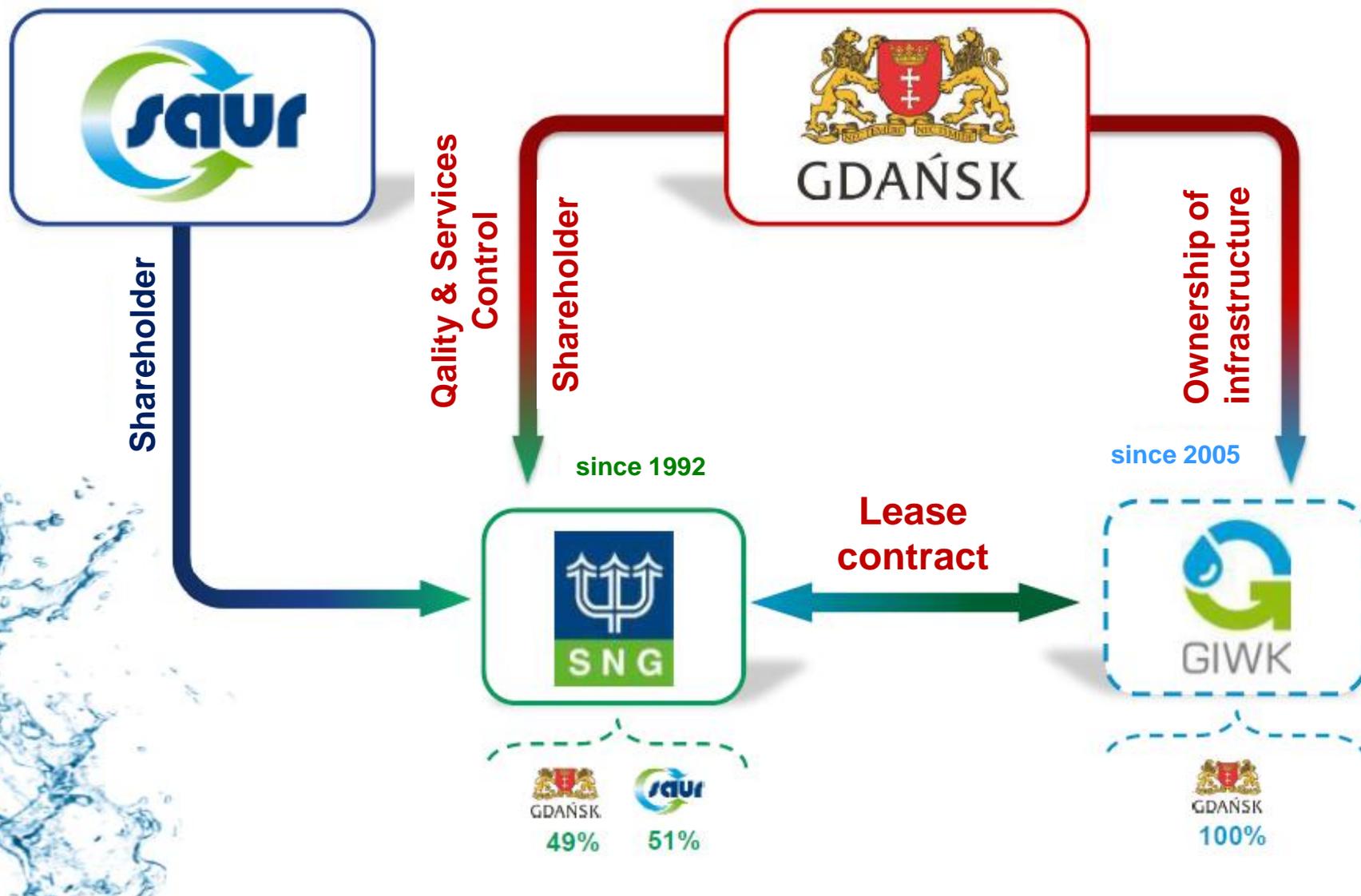
-  owner of the water-sewage infrastructure
-  decision-maker on investment and financing forms,
-  leasing infrastructure to SGN.

CITY of  
GDAŃSK



-  appointing SNG to be the operator of the water-sewage infrastructure,
-  confirming the water and sewage tariffs,
-  monitoring and control of the services quality.

# Saur Neptun Gdańsk – the structure



# Saur Neptun Gdańsk – the figures, 2013



**WORKING  
STAFF**  
**530 osób**



**4,8** **KM**  
**NETWORK**  
for 1 employee



**85 183**  
number of works  
annually

including



**56 472**  
**PREVENTIVE  
WORKS**

# Saur Neptun Gdańsk – benefits

- ▶ Access to private capital and innovative know-how,
- ▶ Higher rate of satisfaction in regarding level and quality of water services,
- ▶ Improving efficiency of the water & sewage operational management,
- ▶ Improvement of the water quality,
- ▶ Reduction of water loss,
- ▶ Reduction of lane errors,
- ▶ Other benefits...  
(e.g. sport, culture patron),



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- promote PPP knowledge and the idea of PPP,
- encourage public authorities & private companies to consider PPP,
- develop and promote PPP good practices,
- lobby for legislative changes improving PPP legal background,
- create a communication platform public and private sectors.

Centrum PPP activities include:

- organizing PPP conferences, debates, seminars and meetings,
- carrying out PPP trainings and workshops,
- preparing PPP research, analysis and reports,
- cooperating with public authorities (central/regional/local levels),
- monitoring polish PPP market and running PPP projects database

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