



Karlsruhe Institute of Technology



Development of a water quality monitoring for the distribution system Bribin (District Gunung Kidul)

Kerstin Matthies, Ursula Obst

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Institute of Functional Interfaces, Department of Microbiology of Natural and Technical Surfaces, Germany







 \geq development and implementation of a water quality

> tropics



water shortages

during dry season

map: http://www.iwrm-indonesien.de/

- \geq no water treatment, no water quality monitoring
- > dilapidated water distribution system
- > water highly contaminated with fecal bacteria

consumers boil water to avoid illness

barely sustainable

monitoring system



Sampling at a reservoir

serves as a base for development of

appropriate and sustainable treatment concepts

Appropriate methods

- physiochemical analysis
 - \geq temperature, pH, O₂, conductivity, turbidity
- microbiological analysis
 - ColiLert-System (quantitative detection of total coliform bacteria and *E.coli*)





- \succ molecular biological analysis
 - PCR and population analysis

map: distribution network Bribin

Results and Discussion

- coliforms in each sampling site
- \geq dry season: increase of bacterial count within distribution system (see figure 1)

results from dilapidated and heated pipelines

 \geq wet season: coliform contamination much higher (see figure 2)



results from high input of bacteria and poor filtration capacity of karst underground



Figure 1: Total coliform data, October 2009

Figure 2: Total coliform data, March 2010

Conclusion and Outlook

water highly contaminated with fecal bacteria during dry and wet season



pipelines have to be renovated

monitoring has to be established

bygienisation of water near to customer



Dilapidated pipeline

KIT – University of the State of Baden-Wuerttemberg and National Research Center of the Helmholtz Association

