







Target Audience:

Water policy makers and regulators, water utility managers, water sector professionals, researchers, interested stakeholders.

Description:

The Interreg Danube project "D-CLEAN: Improving Water Quality in the Danube River Basin – Nature-Based Solutions for Sustainable Wastewater and Stormwater Management in Small Settlements" addresses the pressing issue of wastewater (WW) and stormwater (SW) pollution in the Danube River Basin (DRB). Through awareness-raising, capacity-building, and the identification, testing, and showcasing of practical solutions, the project—led by a consortium of ten partners from seven countries—aims to enhance water quality across the region. The project promotes sustainable WW and SW management practices that are resilient to climate change, while equipping stakeholders with the tools needed to implement effective, long-term solutions.

Join us for the first D-CLEAN webinar in a series of six, as we explore the current state of wastewater and stormwater management in small settlements throughout the Danube River Basin. This session will present key findings from the regional baseline analysis, including:

- An overview of existing infrastructure, technologies, and practices
- Identification of strengths and weaknesses in current systems
- A review of national policies and management plans

The insights shared will lay the foundation for introducing nature-based solutions to improve water quality and support sustainable development in the DRB.

Learning Objective:

The learning objective of this webinar is to increase the understanding and knowledge around wastewater and stormwater management in small settlements in the Danube Basin.

Presenter and Panelists:

- Mr. **Primoz Skrt**, Project and Community Manager, Global Water Partnership Central Eastern Europe, Slovakia
- Ms. Darja Istenic, Researcher, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Civil and Geodetic Engineering, Slovenia
- Ms. Alenka Mubi Zalaznik, Project Manager, Limnos Company for Applied Ecology Ltd., Slovenia
- Mr. **Guenter Langergraber**, Institute of Sanitary Engineering, BOKU University, Vienna, Austria
- Mr. Peter Gergo Katona, Water Affairs, Tisza, Hungary
- Ms. Corina Boscornea, Head of Office DRB Management Plan, National Administration Romanian Waters, Romania

Moderator:

Ms. Katerina Schilling, Secretary General, IAWD, Austria

Agenda:

13:30 – 13:35 Welcome and introduction

13:35 – 13:50 Presentation "D-CLEAN in a nutshell" by Mr. Primoz Skrt

13:50 – 14:20 Presentation "Mapping the Danube: Analysis of Regional Status Quo in WW and SW management in the DRB" by Ms. Darja Istenic, Ms. Alenka Mubi Zalaznik and Mr. Guenter Langergraber

14:20 – 14:55 Moderated discussion including questions from the audience

14:55 - 15:00 Wrap-up and closing of the webinar

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