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D-CLEAN Kick-off meeting

10 – 11 June 2025

Vienna, Austria

Introduction

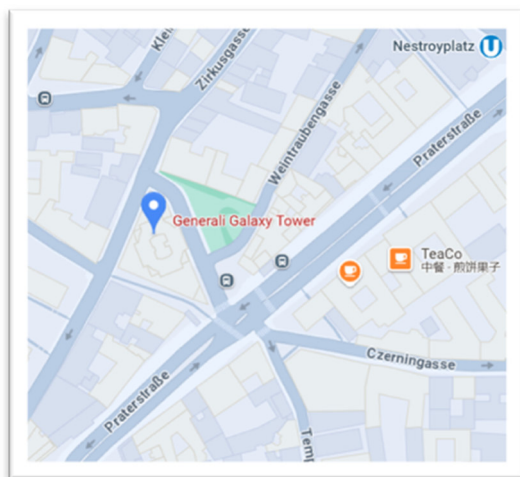
On 10-11 June the official in person Kick-off meeting of the project “D-CLEAN - Improving Water Quality in the Danube River Basin: Nature-Based Solutions for Sustainable Wastewater and Stormwater Management in Small Settlements” funded under the Danube Transnational Program will take place in Vienna, Austria hosted by the International Association of Water Service Companies in the Danube Region (IAWD).

The meeting's objectives include (1) the in person get together of the ten project partners, (2) the deep dive into the three Specific Objectives including planning related work and (3) the overall context setting for the project including the engagement of the Associated Strategic Partners.

The Kick-off meeting will start on 10 June in the morning and conclude on 11 June in the afternoon after a fieldtrip to Seestadt Aspern, a new city quarter of Vienna, in which a [large-scale rainwater management system](#) based on the dual infiltration model has been installed for the first time in the “Lakeside Crescent Quarter”.

Although in person attendance is highly recommended, online attendance is also possible.

Meeting Venue



The meeting will take place at the World Bank premises Vienna:

Galaxy Tower, Praterstrasse 3, 1020, Vienna

[Google Maps Location](#)

There is a bus (5A) and U1-metro station (with direct connection to Vienna's Main Train Station) in front of the building's entrance, as well as a big train station (Wien Praterstern with direct connection to Vienna Airport via S7) in walking distance.

Catering & Dinner

Coffee and snacks as well as lunch will be catered on both days as indicated on the agenda on the next page. Early birds are invited to join an informal dinner in the evening of 9 June, while the official dinner will take place on 10 June (venues tbd).

Accommodation

The workshop organisers have not pre-booked any rooms. Please make your own arrangements in a timely manner, as June is considered high season in Vienna. Below find a list of Hotels close to the venue (mostly in walking distance):

- Hotel Henriette: <https://www.hotelhenriette.at/en/>
- Hotel Der Wilhelmshof: <https://derwilhelmshof.com/en/>
- Motel 1Prater: <https://www.motel-one.com/en/hotels/vienna/hotel-vienna-prater/>
- Austria Classic Hotel: <https://www.classic-hotelwien.at/en/>
- Hotel Roomz Wiener Prater: <https://www.roomz-hotels.com/en/>

Registration for the meeting

Participants shall register for the meeting via this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/mq3R0D1k3K>

Deadline for registration is 16 May, COB.

Please note that seats will be provided on a first come-first serve basis due to space issues, although the organisers will make sure to accommodate at least one representative per project partner. In addition, please feel free to invite relevant Associated Strategic Partners to the meeting (note that you have to cover the related travel and accommodation costs).

Kindly note that we will charge an extra fee of up to 40€ per person for the participation in the field trip to cover additional costs. Thank you!

Please be informed that photographs will be taken during this event for use on our website and social media channels. By participating in this event, you consent to your image being used for these purposes.

Agenda

9 June: Early Bird Arrivals

19:00 – open end Joint Dinner (Location tbd)

10 June: Day 1

09:30 - 10:00 Registration + coffee

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome and introduction

- Welcome from IAWD: Ms. Katerina Schilling
- Welcome from GWP CEE: Ms. Ildiko Ipolyi and Mr. Primoz Skrt

10:10 – 10:45 Getting to know each other

- Icebreaker Games moderated by IAWD

10:45-11:15 Getting to know D-CLEAN

- WW and SW management in small settlements in the Danube region:
Mr. Primoz Skrt and Ms. Darja Istenic

11:15 – 12:15 D-CLEAN GIS Tool

- Introduction to GIS tool Mr. Guenter Langergraber
- Feedback round moderated by Mr. Guenter Langergraber

12:15 – 13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:45 Setting the D-CLEAN Scene

- Introduction to EU UWWTD Mr. Arthur Guichet (EWA)
- Status of WWM in the Danube region Mr. Tom Besinger (World Bank)
- Role of Associate Strategic Partners moderated by Mr. Primoz Skrt

14:45-15:15 Coffee Break

15:15 – 16:45 Stakeholder Engagement

- Group Work – moderated by Ms. Sabina Bokal and Mr. Primoz Skrt

16:45 - 17:00 Wrap up and Closing Day 1

19:00 Dinner (Venue tbd)

11 June: Day 2

09:00 – 09:15 Warming up

- Starting day 2 moderated by IAWD

09:15 – 09:45 Communication is Everything

- Project Communication Ms. Katerina Schilling

09:45 – 10:45 Where are we in the Danube Region?

- Status quo and data needs Ms. Darja Istenic

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00 Pilot Process

- Zoom in on Pilot Areas Ms. Alenka Zalaznik

12:00 – 12:30 Next Steps

- Summary and conclusion Mr. Primoz Skrt

12:30 – 13:15 Lunch

13:15 – 15:30 Study Visit

15:30-16:00 Closure and Departure