

## Interregional project AQUARES

**Drinking water scarcity problems occur worldwide. This deficiency is one of the manifestations of current climate change. The good news and fact are that we know about this trend. To support the strengthening of effective water management by re-using water was created the project AQUARES.**

The lack of drinking water is noticeable, although in some regions it is felt more and in others less. This situation is becoming more and more serious and therefore nine countries in EU through the AQUARES project joined the European program Interreg Europe. Interreg Europe is an interregional cooperation program that offers the opportunity for regional and local public authorities across Europe to share practical ideas and experiences with public policy in practice, thus improving strategies for their citizens and communities. The partners involved in these projects therefore share experiences across the value, political and scientific chains.

The AQUARES project is aimed at strengthening efficient water management and the concept of “green growth” by reuse of wastewater. The aim is to improve the capacity of public administrations and regional authorities, including the promotion of innovative technologies and business models for recycling.

AQUARES was launched in 2018 under the Interreg Europe program and is funded by the European Union. The project involves 10 organizations from 9 European Union countries, where regions have the unique opportunity to acquire and subsequently share the experience of professionals across a consortium of European partners and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

Due to the worldwide coronavirus pandemic, partners were forced to postpone many project activities and meetings, whether international or local, planned for these days and weeks. At present, it is not possible to predict the development of this situation, but even under these conditions we would like to keep informing about activities that have already taken place or are in preparation and are shared among partners.

The last activity that AQUARES handled in this semester was workshop in Oldenburg in Germany, where participated partners physically but also already online, thanks to the coronavirus situation. There organized the steering group meeting of the AQUARES project partners also in Oldenburg.

The activities, that had been postponed are the Study visit the Czech Republic, Info days on the topic “Saving water” in regions, most of the Regional stakeholder meetings, Public consultations and participations at the third-party events. Dear readers, please do not despair for these events, these activities and many others will take place as soon as possible. We continue in the other activities, that are not necessary to do in physically participation. We develop methodologies, do desk research and we communicate through press release, newsletter and online tools.

Therefore, if you are interested in this project or if you are interested in the topic or planned and postponed events, contact us or follow the news via the website of Interreg Europe, Facebook, Twitter or LinkedIn.

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