

Blue Economy & Energy and Climate Change Working Groups

Water scarcity & reuse

Wednesday 15th June 2022 | 14:00 – 15:30 CEST

Hybrid: ERRIN office & online on Microsoft Teams

Climate change and extreme weather conditions, such as rainstorms and droughts, pose an enormous risk to water management in many regions. Drinking water is becoming a scarce resource as the groundwaters dry out or are damaged. In many regions there is not enough groundwater to cover all consumption.

How are coastal regions tackling this issue? What kind of innovative solutions have been tried? In this session we will first have a presentation from DG ENV who will give an overview of the current policy framework. After this we will hear about the challenges connected to water scarcity on a broader scale from Kalmar County and Linnaeus University, as well as the sharing of inspiring regional solutions from Turku-Southwest Finland, Emilia Romagna and Extremadura (TBC). The meeting will also explore wider network interest in the subject of water scarcity and reuse and future opportunities for collaboration around it.

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| 14:00 | Welcome Saara Nuotio-Coulon, <i>Blue Economy Working Group leader, Turku-Southwest Finland & Sven Kastö, Småland Blekinge Halland South Sweden, co-organiser of this meeting</i> |
| 14:05 | DG ENV Dagmar Kaljarikova, <i>Policy Officer - EU water legislation and policy, DG ENV, European Commission</i> |
| 14:25 | Q&A |
| 14:35 | Regional presentations Kalmer County & Linnaeus University Turku-Southwest Finland Emilia Romagna Extremadura (TBC) |
| 15:30 | Discussion & EC reaction to regional examples |
| 15:45 | End of meeting |

