



INN WATER PROJECT

**Promoting social innovation to
renew multi-level and cross
sector water governance**

A Horizon Europe project
collaborating to advance
sustainable and equitable
water governance across
Europe.



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THE PROJECT IN A NUTSHELL

InnWater is a European **Horizon Europe project** driving **social innovation** to strengthen sustainable, inclusive and **multi-level water governance** across Europe

3 Millions €	13 Partners	March 2023 Starting date
5 Pilot Sites	6 Countries	OiEau Coordinator
3 Years		



OBJECTIVES

-  Provide **digital tools and services** in the **InnWater Governance Platform** to support tailored water governance.
-  Deliver a **governance assessment tool** and citizen engagement framework, building on local communities.
-  Support informed decision-making, by offering **WEFE Nexus economic and resources** allocation simulations, and support decisions about water pricing.
-  Identify **conditions for replication** in at least 14 EU basins and deliver **policy, regulation and economic recommendations**.

A SPECIFIC APPROACH: SOCIAL INNOVATION

The overall approach of **InnWater** is embedded in the social innovation approach that considers the (1) **technological**, (2) **capacity development**, (3) **governance** and (4) **economic dimensions** of innovative solutions.

By considering these 4 dimensions, InnWater aims to give to the stakeholders a clear role to **co-develop and experience tailored governance solutions** that they will use in an autonomous manner in the end.

01



Technological

- Governance assessment framework
- Economic modelling tools
- WEFE simulations

02



Capacity Development

- Raising awareness on governance issues
- Co-creation and co-development of solutions (webinars, Pilot sites communities)
- Training (webinars, platform)

03



Governance

- Water governance assessment
- Policy and regulation recommendations
- Citizen engagement method

04



Economics

- Value proposition canvas
- Business canvas
- Exploitation plan and key exploitable results
- Identification of funding mechanisms



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Pilot Site Community

PILOT SITES

Co-developed and tested InnWater's solutions

 PS#1

Réunion Island (FR)

Economic focus



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PS#2 

Brenta (IT)

**Ecosystem
services &
drinking water
sector**



PS#5

Middle Tisza
(HU)

Water allocation



PS#4

West Country (UK)

Water quality



PS#3 

Figueres (ES)

Water scarcity





Improved water governance assessment framework

An online questionnaire to assess current governance approaches

- Based on OECD Water Governance principles, updated by the project to consider current challenges
- A direct analysis of the critical gaps (based on project outputs)
- Personalised guidance to some innovative governance practices (case studies)



Citizen engagement framework

River Basin Water Forums

- A road map to support effective citizen engagement at local level
- Emphasize on inclusiveness and representation
 - A curated toolbox of approaches and assessment guidance to ensure processes are effective, transparent, and adaptable over time

INN WATER MAIN SOLUTIONS



Economic and financial tools for basin authorities and utilities

Linking economics with water management

- Understand the interactions between sectors & water resources and nature ecosystems
- WEFE Nexus macro-economic simulations, to simulate and analyse shocks such as water scarcity or water policy measures
- A Water Pricing Assessment tool



InnWater Governance platform for improving water governance

For stakeholders and citizens to learn about water governance, explore governance mechanisms and support informed decision-making.

INN WATER GOVERNANCE PLATFORM



1. Understand

Learn About

Governance concepts & Frameworks



2. Explore

Pilot Sites

Case Studies & Lessons Learned



3. Engage

Citizen Engagement

Participation & co-creation



4. Assess

Water Governance Assessment Tool

Diagnostic of governance gaps
Innovative governance practices



5. Decide

Economic Decision Tools

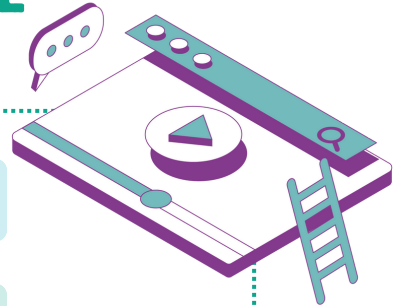
WEFE Nexus Simulations
Water Pricing Tool



6. Support

Ressources

AI Assistant



LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY PILLARS

Institutional Embedding -
Training - Open access

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