

Our First European Junior Water Programme (EJWP) Group Completes 2-year Course

Since the kick off of our first programme in June 2019, this group of early-career water professionals from water organizations around Europe have set themselves apart in the sector through collaboration and development training. These EJWP1 participants co-created in projects from their organizations, expanded their professional networks, exchanged working expertise, learnt about EU water policy and more in masterclasses, and progressed in personal/professional development. Their final Training Week took place in Hardanger, Norway, where EJWP1 received their certificates of completion on 28 October 2021.

EJWP Director Naomi Timmer said, “I am extremely pleased with your completion of this first ever European Junior Water Programme. You have created your own tools to stand out and make bigger impacts in your work and personal lives. We say that in EJWP that ‘Our Water Future Starts Here.’ We trust that even with your course completion that this holds true more than ever!”

Much of their work in our part-time programme has taken place during the Covid pandemic, so they have also adapted in methods of digital collaboration. This one of many accomplishments for these participants and their organizations in the European water sector. EJWP1 was still able come together in Italy, Belgium and in Norway for Training Weeks where they discovered more about other’s organizations, themselves, and local methods of working.

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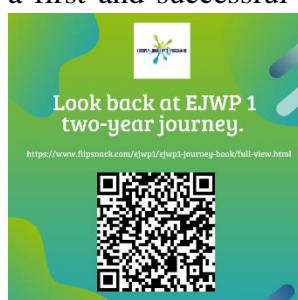
EJWP works in partnership with Water Europe. Each year, our participants join in the Water Innovation Europe Conference in Brussels, organized by Water Europe. EJWP activities in the conference include presentation of awards, masterclasses and conference networking events.

Organizations in which our EJWP1 participants are working:

- AQUA alarm in Norway
- De Watergroep in Belgium
- Delfland in the Netherlands
- Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in Wales
- Isle Utilities in Italy
- The Technical University of Košice in Slovakia,
- Water Europe in Belgium
- Water Footprint Implementation in the Netherlands

“Water Europe cultivates a shared passion with EJWP in building skills and advancing the careers of young European water professionals. We also believe that working together effectively enables us to address pressing issues about water and climate change.” Durk Krol, Water Europe Executive Director.

A well-deserved CONGRATULATIONS goes to our EJWP1 group and their participating organizations for a first and successful completion of this development and collaboration programme. We look forward to working together in the future on resilient water management in Europe!



About the European Junior Water Programme: EJWP supports the engagement of young professionals to be fulfilled in their roles in creating a new water world together. We guide, train and challenge our participants with new ideas going out of comfort zones to work on new projects, and enlarge networks to learn to collaborate with new people and concepts.

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