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**WEBINAR**

# TAMING THE RAIN

**NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS FOR  
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT**

**14 November 2024, 13:00 – 14:30 (CET)**

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## **Target Audience:**

Water policy makers and regulators, water utility managers, water sector professionals, researchers, interested stakeholders.

## **Description:**

The Danube Water Program “KnowNow” webinar series focuses on up-to-date topics relevant for the water sector in the Danube region. For the upcoming edition of the renowned series, the Danube Water Program has teamed up with Aqua Publica Europea (APE) to give insights into the newest trends related to stormwater management with a focus on nature-based solutions (NBS). In the light of the climate crisis and the increase in weather extremes such as heavy rainfall, understanding and applying effective stormwater management can help mitigate the aftermath of such events. Unmanaged stormwater can overwhelm drainage and sewer systems, pollute rivers, lakes and groundwater and lead to safety hazards. Effective stormwater management helps reducing flood and health risks and promotes sustainable urban development.

## **Learning Objective:**

The learning objective of this webinar is to increase the understanding and knowledge around stormwater management and to share best-practice examples and different approaches. During the webinar it will be possible to post questions to the presenters to deepen the understanding and to learn from the knowledge developed and experiences gained for potential follow-up action under individual specific circumstances.

## **Presenters:**

- ▶ **Dr. Florian Kretschmer**, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU), Austria
- ▶ **Ms. Cemre Erbil**, Research and Development Branch, Istanbul Water and Sewerage Administration (İSKİ), Turkey
- ▶ **Ms. Samanta Baric**, Head of Department, Administrative Department for Urban Planning, Investments and Development Projects, Pula, Croatia
- ▶ **Ms. Tatjana Uzelac**, Pula, Croatia
- ▶ **Mr. Franck Perru**, Syndicat des Eaux et de l'Assainissement Alsace-Moselle (SDEA), France

## **Moderators:**

- ▶ **Mr. Milo Fiasconaro**, Aqua Publica Europea, Belgium
- ▶ **Dr. Katerina Schilling**, IAWD, Austria

## **Agenda:**

- 13:00 – 13:05: Welcome and introduction
- 13:05 – 13:20: **A short introduction into stormwater management**, BOKU, Austria
- 13:20 – 13:35: **Istanbul Flood Early Warning System**, İSKİ, Turkey
- 13:35 – 13:50: **Pula's Rain Gardens - a best practice example of NBS for stormwater management**, City of Pula, Croatia
- 13:50 – 14:05: **Managing water with Nature-based Solutions: SDEA's management of rural and urban rainwater**, SDEA, France
- 14:05 – 14:30: Moderated Q&A