

Joint Workshop on Ecosystem Services (ESS), Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) and Hybrid Grey-Green Infrastructure (HGGI)

Brussels, 28 November 2017

Background

The EU-funded DESSIN project together with the WssTP Working Groups on Ecosystem Services and Green Infrastructure will organise a half-day workshop in Brussels, back-to-back with the annual Water Knowledge Europe brokerage event of the WssTP (that is taking place on 29-30 Nov at the same venue), and is inviting presentations from other projects working on the topic of the event.

Scope

Best-practice examples of approaches and technologies how ESS, NBS and HGGI can contribute to innovation in the water sector and help tackle water-related challenges (such as water quality and water scarcity). Exchange experience on implementation: success stories and success factors, barriers for implementation and how they can be overcome. Identify possible way forwards, actions to be taken and implications for future European innovation activities in the field.

Target audience

Water supply and sanitation services suppliers, water boards, water technology providers, policy and decision makers, innovation enablers

Format

Half-day workshop (afternoon of 28 November) with plenary presentations on project results, and interactive discussion rounds on lessons learnt and possible ways forward to foster broad implementation of ESS, NBS and HGGI solutions.

Invitation

We are inviting European and international projects that are at an advanced stage to present their key findings and success stories about implementation and benefits of ESS concepts, NBS or HGGI in the water sector. Projects should have a clearly applied focus, not on fundamental research but dealing with the actual (and successful) demonstration of solutions and benefits.

Procedure

Please send a short abstract of your contribution/presentation (max 1 page) to the contact given below **by 15 September**. Focus on practical results and success stories of ESS, NBS and HGGI solutions and their benefits. Authors selected for presentation will be notified by 30 September. Further details about the programme and registration details will follow.

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