

Officially launched on the 1st June 2022, the **Water4All Partnership is** committed to ensuring the provision of water for all and improving the quality of life of people in Europe and beyond.



Water4All in a nutshell

- Sathering over 80 partners from 31 countries from Europe and beyond, from the whole water Research, Development and Innovation chain, including national & regional research funders and policy makers, in association with research and economic actors.
- » Running its activities across seven themes of its strategic agenda, with a preliminary budget of 112 M€, including EU contribution.
- Supporting a wide portfolio of multi-national and cross-sectoral activities, from physical and biological sciences to human and social sciences.
- » Adopting a systemic approach from the source to the sea.
- Highlighting the innovation part and the implementation of solutions by policy makers, end-users and society in general.

Water4All Vision

Boosting the systemic transformations and changes across the entire water research-innovation pipeline, fostering the matchmaking between problem owners and solution providers for ensuring water security for all in the long term".

Water4All mission

- Provision of knowledge, methodologies and tools for supporting water management and planning whilst enhancing the inclusion of citizens in decision-making processes, their empowerment, capacity-building, accountability and transparency.
- Conservation, restoration, regeneration and best use of the natural functions of groundwater, surface water and dependent or associated ecosystems.
- Demonstration, from pilot- to full-scale, and implementation of technical and non-technical solutions.
- Support to European and international action plans and regulatory frameworks having an influence on water resources.
- Support to efficient collaboration in RDI activities.
- Enabling open access to water knowledge and web services.



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Water4All Strategic direction

The **Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda** (SRIA) provides the strategic direction of the Partnership by setting guiding principles and identifying policy-relevant research priorities for the future.

Water4All is running its activities across the seven research and innovation themes of its strategic agenda to achieve the overall goal of securing water for all. The SRIA also lays out a number of drivers and enablers, factors that may lead to changes in the strategic priorities or may facilitate the implementation of the Partnership.



How is Water4All planning to achieve its Vision?

Addressing water RDI needs for securing water for all requires a holistic multidisciplinary approach covering the whole RDI chain.

Water4All is structured around five action pillars.

In brief, a broad range of strategic, research and innovation and practice-oriented activities will be implemented including the alignment of national and regional programmes, the launch of calls for research projects, the set-up of networks of experts, the production of science-policy interface documents and events, the design of training programmes for students and young professionals, and the engagement of the Partnership with ongoing or new demonstration sites & living labs.

E. Internationalisation		B. Resarch & Innovation Development	
Developing international cooperation agreements Engaging with UN Water & other international stakeholders Developing innovative tools for cooperation		Joint transnational calls Thematic annual programming Young researchers calls Demo /Transfer calls	
	A. Joint Vision & SRIA		
	SRIA Development Mapping of programmes and impacts Developement of synergies / Dissemination		
D. Demonstating Solution Efficiency		C. Science - Policy - End-users Interface	
Water Living Labs (LLs) & demos atlas Network of LLs/demos and roadmap for demonstration implementation Support to development of new LLs Market uptake support Liaising with investors		Knowledge hubs, policy working groups Support to start-ups creation Vocational training Capacity building on systemic thinking Link to research infrastructures Toolbox for managing water data	

SHORT-TERM IMPACTS

- Strengthen water RDI collaboration at European and international levels.
- Coordinate and leverage the activities of the water RDI community.
- Support and promote the demonstration and access to market of innovative solutions.
- Produce, share and better communicate and disseminate water-related knowledge and data.
- Enhance talent development of water RDI professionals.
- Foster capacity development of water policy-makers, stakeholders and civil society.
- Enable participatory development of innovation.



MID-TERM IMPACTS

- Deliver sound knowledge, tools and evidence basis on water for policy- and decision-making.
- Improve consideration of water impacts in all relevant policies.
- Enhance the field/market use of innovative solutions to water challenges.
- Increase citizens' awareness and engagement for an inclusive water governance.



LONG-TERM IMPACTS

- Populations have improved access to water to meet basic needs and safeguard health and well-being.
- Adequate water supplies are available for food and energy production, agriculture, industry, transport, tourism.
- Ecosystems are preserved and restored and can better deliver their services, on which both nature and people can rely, including the provision of freshwater.
- Populations are more resilient to global changes and water-related hazards, including floods, droughts, pollution.



For further information on the Water4All Partnership www.water4all-partnership.eu

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"We need new ways of thinking, we must dare to tread new paths, and we must insist on the ambition to strive for excellence to attract the best institutions and brightest water professionals."

Bjørn Kaare JENSEN

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