

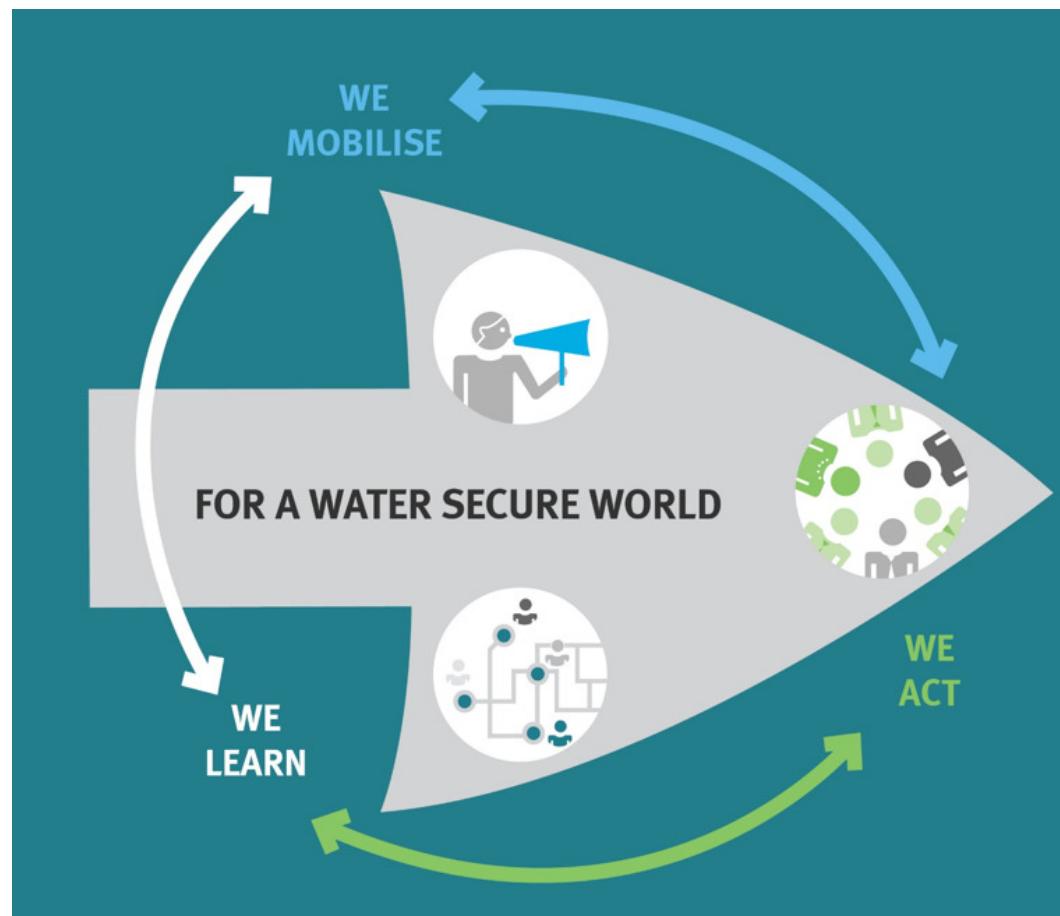
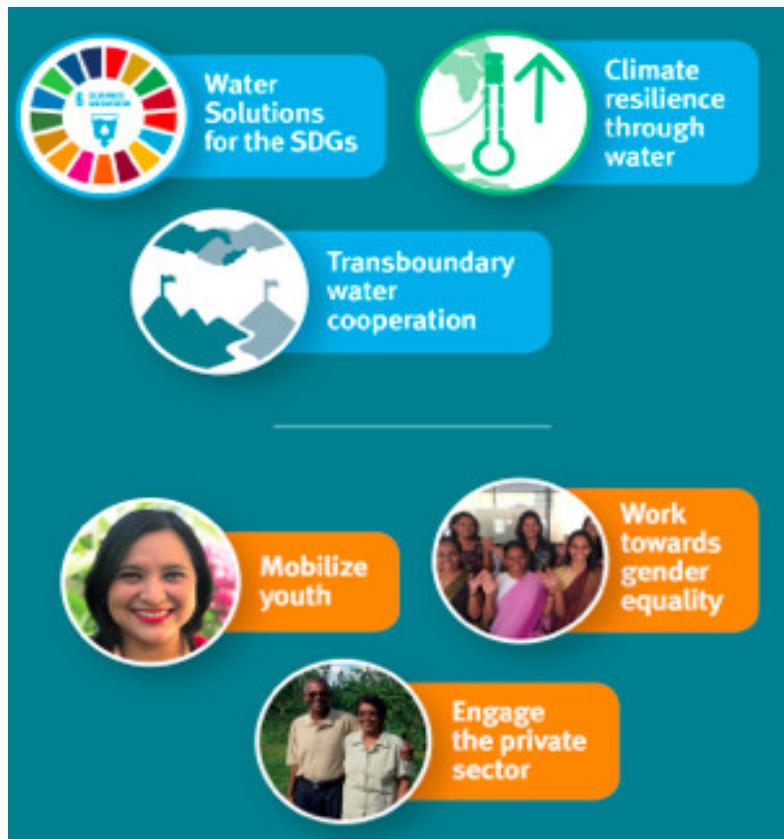
Update on ongoing GWP CEE activities in relation to the PA4 Action Plan

Konstantin Ivanov
Global Water Partnership Central and Eastern Europe

21st Steering Group meeting of EUSDR PA4
9 June 2021

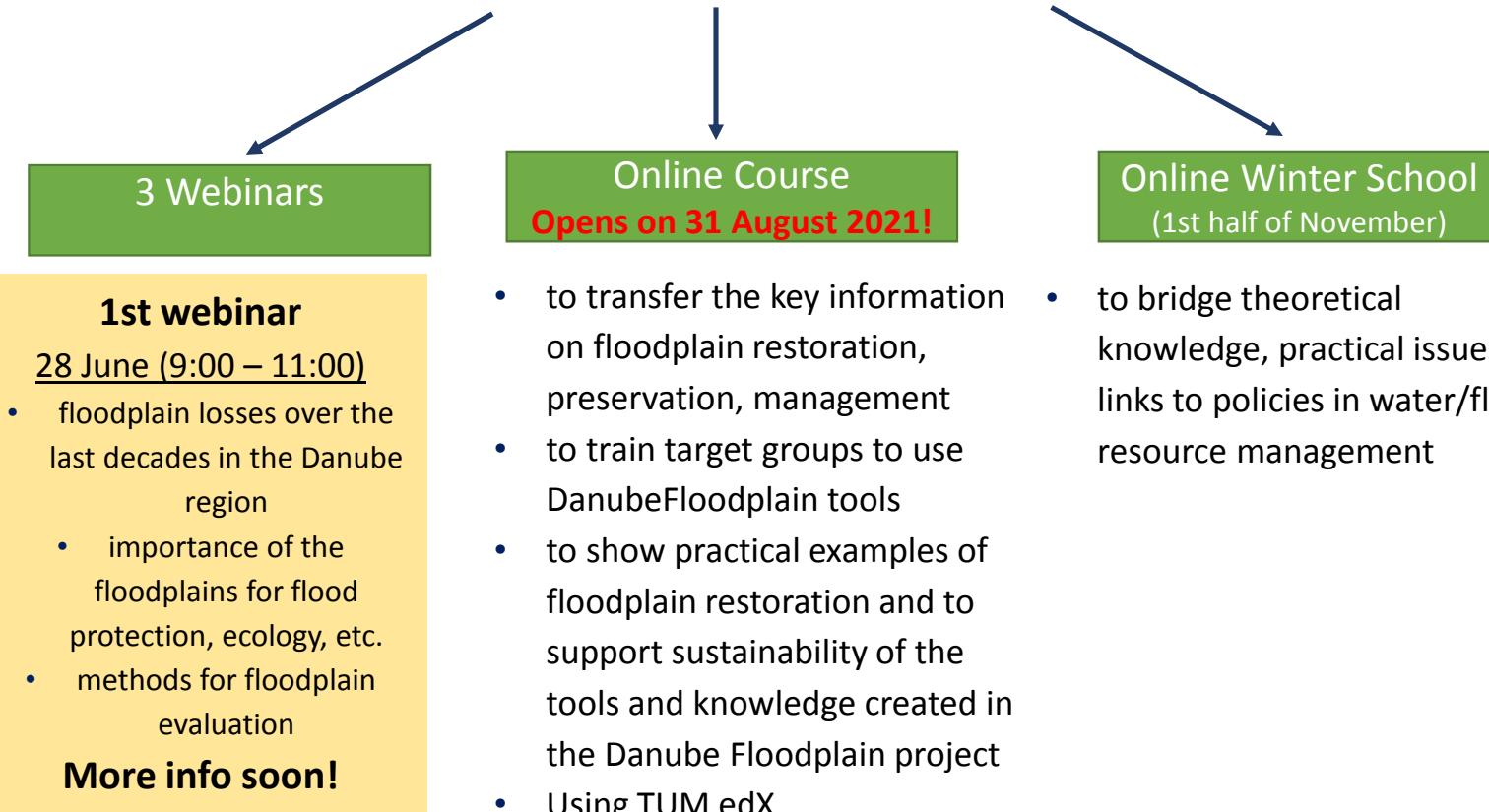
GWP Strategy 2020-2025

Our goals and cross-cutting issues for a water secure world



DanubeFloodplain - Reducing the flood risk through floodplain restoration along the Danube River and tributaries

- Extension duration: February 2021 – November 2021
- GWP CEE Activity Leader „Online course/capacity building“



WP6: Floodplain tools optimization, application and dissemination

- 6.1: Application: Floodplain Evaluation Matrix Tool in pilot sites
- 6.2 Optimization: Danube Floodplain GIS and Inventory
- 6.3 Dissemination: Online course/capacity building course creation

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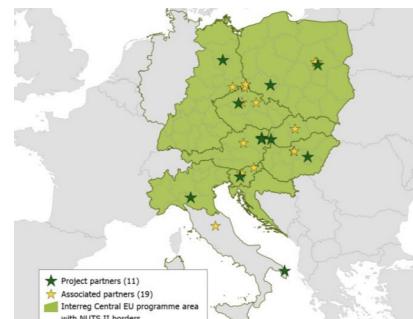
JoinT Efforts to increase water management Adaptation to climate Changes in central EuRope

Lead partner: University of Ljubljana

Duration: March 2020 –February 2022

The aim is the development of an **integrated toolbox** focusing on a **climate-proof management of water resources**

- GWP CEE coordinating Stakeholder engagement and Focus Group (involved in development and testing of the Toolbox)
- Current status: test version of the tool tested in the pilot areas



More info: www.interreg-central.eu/TEACHER-CE



OPTimal strategies to retAIN and re-use water and nutrients

- Horizon 2020 Research & Innovation project
- 22 Partners in 15 countries, 14 case studies
- Start: September 2020; duration: 5 years
- Project coordination: Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ

GWP CEE co-leading WP on Communication, Dissemination, Exploitation

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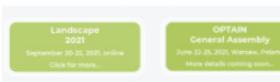
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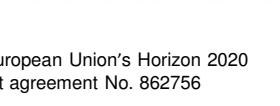
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COST Action Circular City Re.Solution

Implementing nature-based solutions for creating a resourceful circular city

Coordination: BOKU university

39 countries and more than 400 people involved

Already done: Report on the state of the art and existing case studies (review papers on the state-of-the-art; Special issue in the IWAP online [Blue-Green Systems journal](#))

Currently working towards new papers, focusing on:

- **Catalogue of technologies** for providing/recovering resources with NBS" and
- Description of **possible resource input from NBS systems**,

Coordinating preparation of the COST Circular City online course on [CapNet Virtual Campus](#)

More info: <https://circular-city.eu/>



5 WORKING GROUPS:



BUILT ENVIRONMENT
Defining available resource streams connected to NBS within the built environment and creating case studies.



URBAN WATER
Sustainable urban water utilization; investigating the implementation of a safe and functional water cycle within the urban biosphere.



RESSOURCE RECOVERY
Investigating implementation strategies within the urban biosphere for resources to be harvested, used, reused and recycled.



URBAN FARMING
Focusing on the integration of resources (water, nutrients, energy) into urban farming systems.



TRANSFORMATION TOOLS
Identifying, engaging and establishing a long term relationship between stakeholders and leading interdisciplinary activities

to **build an interdisciplinary platform** for connecting city planners, architects, system designers, economists, engineers and researchers from social and natural sciences

More info: www.circular-city.eu

CWC - City Water Cycles



- GWP CEE, as an **associated partner**
- The CWC project aims to help municipalities to reform outdated urban water infrastructure systems via applying a circular economy approach, which offers many economic and environmental benefits. This will be achieved by the project with promoting a water saving culture, including the use of non-conventional water resources and by taking the lead in adopting urban rainwater harvesting and utilisation as well as greywater recovery measures on city level.
- [Transnational conference](#) was held on 24 March 2021. The main goal of the conference was to summarize and share the mid-term lessons learnt of City Water Circles project spotlight the already published results and give advance the expected outcomes of the next periods. GWP CEE participated in a panel discussion
- Check out the [project video](#)



Important stakeholder forums



European River Symposium

- 26-27 May 2021 (online)
- GWP led 2 sessions: *Successful river management: the importance of stakeholder involvement; Young Water Professionals*
- and involved in finance and agriculture sessions

ICPDR Public Consultation on the update of River Basin Management Plan 2021

- 29-30 June 2021, online
- GWP CEE supporting ICPDR
- [Final 2021 Consultation Page on ICPDR.org](#)

Upcoming - [Planet Budapest](#) (29 November – 5 December, hybrid)



Ongoing activities

- 25 Anniversary Regional Celebrations
- SDG6 Level 2 process in one CEE country
- Report on IWRM in the CEE region
- Water Policy Slovakia – land management, governance
- Slovenian EU presidency - desertification
- Tisza Group – supporting future calls
- Europe-wide list of potential dam removal sites



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