



PRESS INFORMATION

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International conference on River Basin Management - 3 to 4 October 2002 in Amsterdam -

The European Water Association (EWA) organises from 3 to 4 October 2002 in Amsterdam the international conference „River Basin Management - From Experience to Implementation“. The conference will take place together with the trade fair Aquatech Amsterdam 2002.

The conference addresses international experts that are familiar with the basics of the EU Water Framework Directive. In four sessions - General Experiences, Transboundary Co-operation, Case Studies, and Tools for River Basin Management the 15 speakers will focus on the general basics of river basin management and special topics as pesticides, nutrient management, fish passages, decision support systems, reporting duties, estuaries, habitats, economic questions, and much more.

The speakers come from different European countries as Great Britain, France, Austria, and the Netherlands. Additionally important international commissions as the International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River will be present as well as representatives of the European Commission.

The conference language is English. The participation fee is 295 EUR and includes the conference proceedings, coffee, tea, refreshments and the entrance to the trade fair.

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The detailed programme is available at the European Water Association, Ms Kirsten Overmann, phone +49 2242 872-189, fax +49 2242 872-135, email overmann@atv.de, and can also be found on the Association's Homepage at http://www.ewaonline.de/downloads/rbm_prog.pdf

Additional information about the trade fair Aquatech Amsterdam 2002 can be obtained at <http://show-info.nl/aquatech2002/> and via Amsterdam RAI, P.O. Box 77777, 1070 MS AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, phone: +31 (0)20 549 12 12, Fax: +31 (0)20 549 18 89.

The European Water Association (EWA) is an independent non-governmental and non-profit making organisation dealing with the management and improvement of the water environment. It is one of the major professional associations in Europe that covers the whole water sector, wastewater as well as drinking water and water related waste, providing best practice and best science. With member associations from nearly all Central and Eastern European Countries, it not only includes most of the current European Union member states, Norway, and Switzerland, but also most of the Candidate Countries and Russia.

Besides the information of its members on EU legislation and standardisation, the aim of the association is to provide a forum for the discussion of key technical and policy issues. This is done by international conferences, workshops and meetings, special working groups for experts and also publications. Through this exchange of knowledge the association intends to contribute to a sustainable water management: a safe water supply and the protection of water and soil.

The EWA has established close contacts to the European Commission (DG Environment), the European Committee for Standardization (CEN), the European Environment Agency (EEA) and the European Parliament.

The EWA consists today of nearly 30 European national associations representing professionals and technicians for wastewater and water utilities as well as consultants, and firms and enterprises as corporate members. The association thus represents about 55,000 professional individuals working in their national associations in a broad field of water management.