



## **P R E S S   I N F O R M A T I O N**

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### **Public Private Partnership / Sewer Rehabilitation**

#### **13th European Water, Wastewater and Solid Waste Symposium**

**Hennef, 22 December 2004 – Five presentations on the subject of Public Private Partnership and sewer rehabilitation are on the programme for the 27th April 2005 at the European Water, Wastewater and Solid Waste Symposium in München, which is taking place within the framework of IFAT 2005, the International Specialist Trade Fair for Water, Wastewater, Waste and Recycling. The symposium organised by the European Water Association (EWA) in collaboration with the German Association for Water, Wastewater and Waste (DWA, formerly ATV-DVWK) from 25th to 28th April 2005 is this time under the motto “Clean environment for a growing Europe”. With the subjects of Public Private Partnership and sewer rehabilitation the event deals with the very topical themes which are currently being discussed intensively by the public.**

#### **Public Private Partnership: example from practice, regulation models and support from private participation**

In the first presentation on the subject of Public Private Partnership (PPP) *Pekka Pietilä* (Tampere/Finland) deals with the various forms of participation of the private sector in the field of water management. This is demonstrated in particular using



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the example of Finland where, although all facilities of public water supply and wastewater disposal are in the hands of the public authorities, nevertheless there has been considerable involvement of private industry. Often more than 50 percent of the services for the operation and maintenance are carried out by private firms which, however, are mostly based on short-term contractual periods.

In the second presentation *Johann Wackerbauer* (München) deals with the question of to what extent privatisation and liberalisation influence competition, price and quality of water supply. For this he presents and discusses three basic models (the Anglo-Saxon, the French and the German model) for the regulation of regional monopolies in public water supply.

In the last presentation of the subject block, *Josefine Thom* (Frankfurt a. M.) reports on the support of private participation in the water industry within the scope of the German bilateral development collaboration of the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau [Reconstruction Loan Corporation] (KfW). In this connection, she shows why it can be of interest for financial sponsors to support private involvement in the field of sanitary facilities. In addition, she presents under what conditions private firms are prepared to involve themselves in the development and management of programmes and projects in developing countries. The presentation is rounded off with a practical example from Azerbaijan.





## **Strategies for sewer rehabilitation / Quality management for sewer inspection in Austria**

Dipl.-Ing. *Klaus-Jochen Sympher* (Berlin) and *Johan Cobbaert* (Gent/Belgium) report on a project of the Federal German Ministry for Education and Research which had as objective, the development of an integrated strategy for municipal drainage systems in Germany. Using three model cities the necessary data were collected which were subsequently combined with the solutions developed in the project for a strategy for sewer rehabilitation in the form of a direction for action.

The build up of the sewer system network in Austria is to a great extent complete. Now the maintenance of the efficiency of the system comes to the forefront. The main objectives of the project “Examination, assessment and ensuring of the efficiency of the sewer system facilities in Austria”, presented by Dipl.-Ing. Thomas Ertl (Wien/Austria), are the production of reference projects, the build up of awareness for the maintenance of the value of the sewer system and the creation of a guide for sewer maintenance. In this context the results of the camera-based sewer inspection provide, qualitatively and economically, an important prerequisite for later rehabilitation.

In addition to the subject blocks “Public Private Partnerships” and “Sewer rehabilitation” the following are offered in the field of water / wastewater: the subject blocks “Membrane technology”, “Monitoring of wastewater treatment plant performance”, “Water management in Central and Eastern Europe” and two workshops on the subjects “Middle East” and “Asia”.



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### **Programme and registration**

The programme of the symposium can be obtained from the DWA, Barbara Kirstein, Tel.: +49 (0)2242/872-181, E-Mail: [kirstein@dwa.de](mailto:kirstein@dwa.de) and can also be called up in the Internet under [www.IFAT.de](http://www.IFAT.de) und [www.dwa.de](http://www.dwa.de).

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Die **European Water Association (EWA)** is one of the most important technical-scientific associations in Europe in the field of water. With 25 national member associations and a growing number of firms as members the EWA covers almost all European countries. The Association offers its members a forum for the discussion of central technical and political questions. This takes place through conferences, workshops, meetings and groups of experts as well as with regular publications. Via the almost 25 national member associations the Association represents more than 55,000 experts from the overall field of water. ([www.EWAonline.de](http://www.EWAonline.de)).

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