

# Press release

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**Topic:** Invitation to a brain storming Workshop about the assimilation of Copernicus products and services into the production of drinking water **“Water We Drink v1.0”**

**Location: ONLINE!**

The ‘Copernicus Assisted Lake Water Quality Emergency Monitoring Service’ (WQeMS) RIA H2020 project aims to provide an open surface Water Quality Emergency Monitoring Service (<https://wqems.eu/>) to the water utilities industry, leveraging on the Copernicus products and services. Target of the service is an optimized use of resources by gaining access to frequently acquired, wide-covering and locally accurate water-status information. Citizens can gain a deeper insight and confidence for selected key quality elements of the ‘water we drink’, while enjoying an improved environmental footprint.

WQeMS initiated formally its activities on 01.01.2021 and kicked off on 18.01.2021 with the participation of representatives by DG DEFIS, DG ENV, DG ECHO, EEA (Land, Marine, and Climate components), who suggested an active communication with the potential users. The objective is to generate an outcome at the end of the project that best suits the interests of the users and citizens, while also enabling compatibility, synergy and complementarity with existing infrastructure and services. **This invitation is sent to you in this context.**

As representative of a possible interested party we would like to invite you to the International Workshop **“Water We Drink v1.0”** on September 15, 2021. The Workshop will provide a forum for stakeholders to exchange experiences, best practices and ideas related to production, distribution and use of drinking water. It will be an online event and will take place at 9:30 (CEST). The link and the agenda (event duration will be 2 hours and 15 minutes) will be sent to you [following your registration via this link](#).

Discussion topics of the workshop will – among others – be related to a) your requirements, b) expectations for support towards your decision-making system, c) the benefits, limitations, community framework and legislation, within which WQeMS will be developed.

Please feel free to forward this invitation to any relevant stakeholder or interested party.

