

Focus Group for Preventive Non-technological Measures of Groundwater Pollution



Within the ZeroPollution4Water Cluster (<https://zeropollution4water.eu/>) funded by Horizon Europe 2022, the UPWATER project (Understanding Groundwater Pollution to protect and enhance WATER quality) aims to assess the effectiveness of different preventive non-technological measures to minimize the release of chemicals at the source. Three case studies in Denmark, Greece, and Spain, representing different groundwater pollution problems and socio-economic contexts, are analyzed through a participatory approach to reaching a consensus on the most appropriate Policy Option recommendations. Similarly, the project addresses preventive measures at the European level. The partner events correspond to four of the six Focus Groups on specific topics that will enlighten current questions and further projections to promote discussion among international experts and policymakers.

Agenda: June 2024

Type of event and duration: online, 2 hours

Attendees: experts, researchers, and policymakers at the international level

Focus Group Topics

FG1. A Deep Dive into Economic Approaches to Groundwater Protection [for a Greener Future]

Delving into Economic Measures, Economic Impacts, and Circular Economy Strategies for Sustainable Groundwater Conservation within Environmental.

FG2. A Deep Dive into the Challenges of the European Nitrate Directive

Exploring Strategies for Sustainable Groundwater Management within the European Nitrate Directive, Addressing Agricultural Contamination and Hydrosystems

FG3. A Deep Dive into the Challenges in Water Governance for Groundwater Protection

Identifying Challenges and Exploring Solutions for Improvement of Water Governance for Groundwater Protection

FG4. A Deep Dive into the Polluters Pay Principle

Balancing responsibility, the Polluter Pays Principle, and Environmental Liability, exploring legal and economic perspectives on environmental accountability.
