

iWATERMAP Braga

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Achievements

Establishment of Center of Vocational Excellence "Water in Landscape"

- Founding meeting in January, official registration in the commercial register is currently underway
- Close cooperation with the regional government in the field of vocational education (PoVE Water Upscaling project)
- The headquarters of the center is at the Mendel University in Brno
- Funding: Erasmus+, University budget, Regional funding, Private funding
- CoVE Water in Landscape is aiming to
 - educate future water sector professionals to have the competences and skills the rapidly changing water sector demands.
 - transform Vocational Education practice and policy
 - grow reach of the CoVEs Water in size and scope

Achievements

Organizing an international conference EXPO Water in Landscape

- Date: 21 and 22 March 2023 in Krtiny near Brno
- In cooperation with the Mendel University in Brno
- Under the auspices of the governor of the South Moravian region
- Funding: National funding, Regional funding
- 1. day - professional conference on the topic of hydrology and drought, vocational education and water smart solutions
 - f. e. monitoring and warning system for drought, vocational education system in Friesland, the digital twin of the Thaya River basin, Go green - sustainable approach...
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Next steps

- What do we want to achieve in the near future?
 - higher prestige of the water technologies and social responsibility of companies,
 - a strong communication platform of triple helix representatives,
 - defined close and clear ties of the branch priorities to RIS3,
 - an inter-regional hub in specific water technologies,
 - increased number of students and young experts in water technologies,
 - broad and suitable mix of financial resources for R&D in the water technologies,
 - better research and innovation results.

Water4All

- Involvement in Water4All:
 - CREA Hydro&Energy:
 - Pillar A – Exploratory foresight, Communication tools
 - Pillar C – Supporting visibility, Vocational training
 - Pillar E – Developing international cooperation
 - Leader of Task E.1
 - Mendel University:
 - Pillar D – Water oriented Living lab
- What do we expect:
 - Strengthening position of Water in the region
 - Bringing regional SMEs to higher level
 - Connecting the region into the international top group

Thank you for your attention!