



BIGDATA 4RIVERS

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BIGDATA 4RIVERS aims to improve policies for European river basin and water management, thereby contributing to achieving the objectives of the EU's Water Framework Directive.

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An interregional cooperation project for improving resource-efficient economy policies.

Project Partners

Intermunicipal Community of Alto Minho (PT)
Regional Development Fund on Behalf of the Region of Attica (EL)
Iberian Association of Riverside Municipalities of Duero River (ES)
Cluster DREAM Water & Environment (FR)
Kaunas University of Technology (KTU) (LT)
The National Union of Romanian Entrepreneurs (RO)
The County Administrative Board of Östergötland (SE)

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Iberian Association of Riverside Municipalities of Duero River



BIGDATA 4RIVERS has been an unique opportunity for AIMRD to exchange and discover different experiences concerning water management in other EU territories.

As AIMRD daily work is focused on the Duero-Douro River axis (strategic and structuring axis for Spain and Portugal), to learn about other river management policies and strategies and on how other countries are improving the efficiency of their own water man-

agement policies, is being of great importance.

BIGDATA 4RIVERS has allowed us to improve the coordination of the different levels (local, regional and national) of public administration around the Duero river.

Internally, and despite the mobility restrictions caused by COVID19, it has very enriching the team work done with the other project partners, who have always been available to support each other and share their methodologies, practices and results.

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Regional Development Fund on Behalf of the Region of Attica



Region of Attica (RoA), being competent authority for implementing management plans such as the river basin management plan for Attica or its regional plan for the adaptation to climate change, was offered an excellent opportunity to be introduced to other policies and strategies related to water management and learn how other countries improve their implementation efficiency on them.

BIGDATA 4RIVERS project, despite the COVID19 restrictions on mobility and meetings in person and visits on the field, put forward successfully the exchange of a number of practices of great variety in subjects and methods of approach enriching the experience

and the knowledge in applied methods and tools and proved how crucial is stakeholders' engagement.

BIGDATA 4RIVERS project experience as a total proffered the participants, staff and stakeholders, another perspective in tackling water management issues resulting into an action plan best suited to each and every one of the partners state of affairs.

The National Union of Romanian Entrepreneurs



From our organization, once again we feel privileged to be able to participate in a project like this. This is our first experience in Interreg Europe projects and, honestly, it has been WOW. Being able to enjoy all this time alongside some excellent people and professionals in the consortium has enabled us, on the one hand, to learn the best practices in the management of interreg Europe projects, and also to see our deficiencies in intelligent water management and the possibilities of developing similar projects in our territory. The members of the institution have grown our capacities but, at the same

time, we have been able to share the progress of the project with dozens of people around our institution.

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County Administrative Board of Östergötland



During the BD4R project so far, CAB has increased our knowledge about advanced analytical methodology for monitoring under the Water Framework Directive and gained the added-value of learning new ways to collaborate with researchers and universities. We have increased our collaboration network to include new countries and agencies and have a better understanding of water management challenges faced in other more southern countries. After hearing all of the best practices in the interregional learning process, we have updated our Action plan and decided that the most important way to improve our policy instrument is by using new monitoring methods to measure emerging hazardous substances.

Intermunicipal Community of Alto Minho



The BIGDATA 4RIVERS project brought a unique opportunity for CIM Alto Minho to exchange experiences and create institutional links in the field of water management both in its territory and in other European territories.

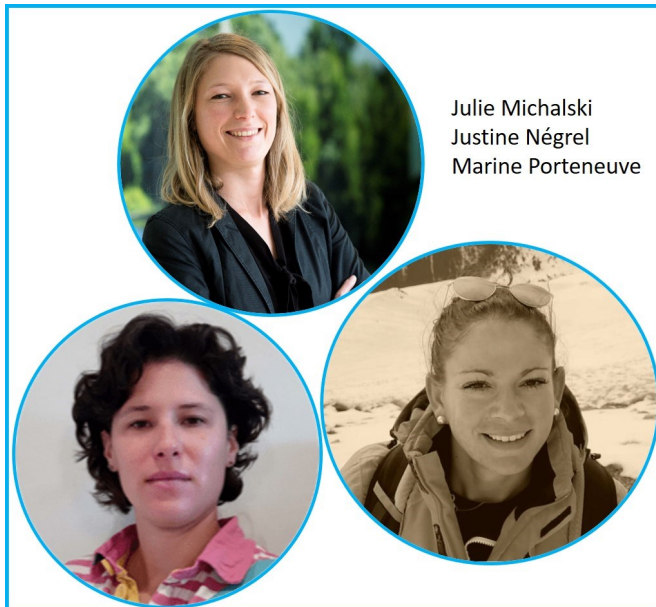
With the transition to a new community cycle and the strategic changes that this cycle will bring, BIGDATA 4RIVERS allowed CIM to incorporate the knowledge acquired in the planning and definition of

the new strategy for the Alto Minho territory.

In terms of staff, despite Cim Alto Minho not being an entity with competences in water management and river basins, through this project it was possible to enrich and deepen the team's knowledge in this area. In addition to the increase capacity it brought to CIM Alto Minho, BIGDATA 4RIVERS project also brought the opportunity for its stakeholders to interact with other European entities, acquiring new knowledge and later applying the lessons learned in national territory.

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DREAM water and environment cluster



For the DREAM Cluster, the BIGDATA4RIVERS project is the first INTERREG project in which we participate. It has allowed us to discover with great interest water management policy tools and good practices of the other partners of this project. This project has allowed us to develop our policy instrument and to improve our water management in the Centre Val de Loire region.

Kaunas University of Technology (KTU)



The Exchange of experience in the BIGDATA4RIVERS project helped the local stakeholders in Lithuania to identify the most interesting and important the Good practices and this was as a background to formulate the Policy change in country. With the different local stakeholders we discussed the challenges they experience, also regarding the possible solutions and good practices in project partners' countries, their applicability and the ways how they can be transferred to our region.

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Interregional Workshop (Brussels)

15 of June 2022

SHORT AGENDA

(Central Europe Time)

9h00	Welcome
10h15	Coffee – break
10h45	Round table – BIGDATA 4RIVERS Policy Instruments Managing Authorities
11h45	Coffee – break
12h15	Round table – Experiences from all BIGDATA 4RIVERS partners
13h15	Workshop Conclusions
13h30	Joint press-conference