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This issue of BURIMI is dedicated to information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and the water sector. SHUKALB is in continuous contact with its member WSS companies and is keeping track on the progress of the actions taken by its members while in the same time sharing valuable relevant information with them.

Following the instructions of the Albanian Government SHUKALB has cancelled all the face-to-face activities such as trainings as well as meetings and workshops related to its current Projects for the months of March and April 2020, and will be rescheduling them at the most appropriate time in line with the updated future instructions of the Government.

SHUKALB has created a dedicated page on its [website](#) with information concerning the water supply and sewerage sector in regard to COVID-19 pandemic. This page will be updated continually as new information is distributed and released.

In addition, SHUKALB is conducting a survey among water utilities on the impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on water and wastewater systems, and will publish soon a full analysis of the results on its website.

Survey on the COVID-19 Pandemic Impacts on Water and Wastewater Systems in Albania

SHUKALB is closely monitoring the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and its impacts on water and wastewater systems in Albania. In order to have a full picture of its impact, SHUKALB has prepared a short survey which is addressed to water utilities and other water sector organizations in Albania. The survey is in Albanian and can be found at this [link](#).



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[WHO on Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Waste Management for the COVID-19 Virus](#)

[World Water Day 2020 and the All Hands On World Water Day campaign to help retain the Corona Virus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#)

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The full analysis of the results of this survey will be published soon on SHUKALB's website.



News From Our Members

Albanian Water Supply and Sewerage Companies Take Actions to Prevent and Protect Against the Spread of COVID-19



In response to the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19 virus and the special normative acts issued by the Albanian Government, the water supply and sewerage (WSS) companies all over Albania have taken proper administrative measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection.

SHUKALB is closely monitoring the situation and has been constantly in contact with its member WSS companies, keeping track on the progress of the actions taken, as well as to share relevant information with them.

Most of the WSS companies have organized the staff into special working groups as per the respective sectors. Each of the groups have been assigned with specific actions to be taken to ensure the continuity of the activity to include water supply, collection and disposal of wastewater in the system, the continuity of wastewater treatment, customer care, timely interventions against defects, etc. [read more](#)

About SHUKALB

The Water Supply and Sewerage Association of Albania (SHUKALB), which was established in 2000, is a professional, not-for-profit Association of water supply and sewerage professionals, who wish to improve the management of the Water Supply and Sewerage Sector in Albania, making it efficient, sustainable and effective in accordance with the current laws and regulations in Albania.

Hot Topics

What Water and Sanitation Operators Can do in the Fight Against COVID-19



COVID-19 has become a serious global health concern. Taking action to slow the spread of, and support recovery from, the illness will save lives and lessen the social and economic fallout from this pandemic.

Access to safe water and sanitation services are critical for the good hygiene required to stop the spread and lower the impact of the virus.

COVID-19 is passed through respiratory droplets from infected people which are often spread from hand to mouth – so proper, regular handwashing is the most effective way to reduce transmission. Fecal-oral transmission is less common, but in areas where sanitation services are lacking, may become a significant vector. The corona virus is deactivated by typical water treatment involving filtration and disinfection but could persist in untreated water.

Water and sanitation service providers (small scale providers, utilities and local authorities) can be instrumental in stalling COVID's advance. Public utilities should work closely with local health officials and other relevant bodies to: [read more](#)

Other

World Water Day 2020 and the All Hands On World Water Day campaign to help retain the Corona Virus (COVID-19) outbreak



2020 Water and climate change

Across the globe every year, 22nd of March is celebrated as the World Water Day (WWD), declared by United Nations to draw attention to the importance of water. The theme of WWD 2020 is 'Water and Climate Change' and the aim is to show how the two are inextricably linked to

each other.

This year's WWD found us all in an unusual and a most challenging situation, as the whole world is faced with the outbreak of the corona virus (COVID-19). To acknowledge

WWD 2020 SHUKALB prepared and released a press release which can be found under this [link](#).

WHO on Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Waste Management for the COVID-19 Virus

We would like to share with you a technical brief supplement from the World Health Organization (WHO) on 'Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Waste Management for the COVID-19 virus'. This document is of particular importance to the water supply and wastewater practitioners, but not only.

SHUKALB has translated the document into Albanian language as well.

You can find the document at this [link](#).

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