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2022 Danube Water Forum: Take a look at the Agenda!



Upcoming Training Courses and CD Programs

[Water Mains and Storage Facilities](#)

16 June 2022, Tirana

[Small Water Systems](#)

17 June 2022, Tirana

[Equipment Maintenance – Motors, Pumps and Valves for Drinking Water and Waste Water Professionals](#)

22-23 June 2022, Tirana

Upcoming International Conferences

[Water Loss 2022](#)

Prague, Czech Republic
19 - 22 June 2022.

[International Conference for Water Safety Planning 2022](#)

Narvik, Norway
22 - 24 June 2022

28 – 29 June 2022, Tirana, Albania: After two very long years of virtual meetings, the Danube Water family will get together again. The theme is hot, the speaker line-up is impressive, registration is open and the agenda is now available.

At long last, we will all get together again: Everybody with a stake or an interest in the water sector of the Danube region is cordially invited to attend the 2022 Danube Water Forum, hosted by IAWD and World Bank in the frame of the Danube Water Program and in cooperation with SHUKALB.

Over many years, the Danube Water Program has established an international network of water sector institutions and experts, dedicated to capacity building, knowledge sharing, analytical and advisory services. [read more](#)

News from the Sector

SHUKALB Supports the Water Regulatory Authority of Albania for the Dissemination and Building Capacity on the New Tariff Setting Methodology (TSM) for the Water Services Sector in Albania



[3rd IWA Disinfection and Disinfection By-Products Conference](#)

Milano, Italy
27 June - 1 July 2022

[14th International Conference on Hydroinformatics](#)

Bucharest, Romania
4 - 8 July 2022

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About SHUKALB

During 6, 13, 27 May and 3 June, 2022, the Water Regulatory Authority (WRA) of Albania, in collaboration with SHUKALB organized 4 regional workshops on Presentation of the New Tariff Setting Methodology for Water and Wastewater Services. The workshops were organized with the financial support of the World Bank through the Danube Water Program.

The workshops organized in Tirana, Korca and Lezhe were conducted by Ndiriçim Shani, Chair of WRA and Elda Kruja, Head of Economic Sector and Tariffs, WRA, while on the last workshop organized in Vlora on 6 June 2022, the panel was joined also by Ana Ismailaja, Specialist in Economic-Financial Analysis and Nevila Saliu, Specialist in Asset and Investment Analysis, from WRA.

The participants of the workshops in Tirana, Korca and Lezha were greeted by the Executive Director of SHUKALB, Ms. Elisabeta Poçi. [read more](#)

Water Regulators of the Western Balkans Sign Memorandum of Cooperation



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.

On 18th of May 2022, in Tirana, four Economic Regulators of the water sector in the Western Balkans to include Albania, North Macedonia, Kosovo and Montenegro, signed the first memorandum of cooperation as a framework for developing long-term cooperation and exchange of common practices, information, joint analysis and comparisons of existing water sector regulatory models and performances of water utilities. This memorandum provides the foundation for a regional cooperation program supported by WAREG, the Association of European Water Regulators.

The ceremony was organized and hosted by the Water Regulatory Authority of Albania (WRA) and it was attended by representatives from the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, the National Agency for Water Supply and Sewerage, the European Association of Water Regulators, SHUKALB and others. SHUKALB was represented at the ceremony by its Executive Director, Ms. Elisabeta Poci.[read more](#)

What's New at SHUKALB

SHUKALB Offers the D-LeaP “Water Safety Plan and Crisis Management” Program to Three more Water Utilities



SHUKALB has started offering the D-LeaP Water Safety Plan and Crisis Management (WSP&CM) Program to the water utilities of Durres, Shkoder, and Fier. This activity is a continuation of the initial roll out of the program, as part of which five water utilities (Lushnje, Gramsh, Patos, Berat-Kucove, and Belsh) received training and were able to develop their own Water Safety Plans and Crisis Management Plans. The activity is being supported by IAWD and RCDN.

During May 2022, SHUKALB organized two sessions of on-site training at the water supply and sewerage utilities of Durres, Fier and Shkoder. SHUKALB team was composed by the lead trainer Migena Kukli, co trainer Elton Hasanaj, the Executive Director Elisabeta Poçi, and Franceska Troka, Program, Coordinator.[read more](#)

SHUKALB's Asset Management Team Participates at IWA's 9th Leading Edge Conference for Strategic Asset Management (LESAM)



The IWA's 9th Leading Edge Conference for Strategic Asset Management (LESAM) was organized on 11-12-13 May 2022, in Bordeaux, France. Utilities, consultants, regulators,

researchers and asset managers met to discuss different aspects of strategic asset management of water supply and sewerage services, identifying challenges and innovative solutions for the water and wastewater sector.

SHUKALB was represented at the Conference by the two members of the Integrated Asset Management Project team: Arbana Kola, Project Manager and Elton Hasanaj EDAMS System Engineer. [read more](#)

Training and Capacity Development Programs

Hurry up to Register for the Upcoming Training Courses!



SHUKALB invites you to register to the upcoming training courses that will be organized during 2022. Find more details about registrations for each training, in the below Calendar.

TRAININGS IN JUNE

WATER MAINS AND STORAGE FACILITIES **16 June 2022, Tirana**

Water mains and storage facilities are very important components of a water supply system. Their proper installation maximizes their service life and minimizes future maintenance problems, thus providing safe drinking water and reducing unnecessary costs for the water supply and sewerage utility. This training course aims at introducing participants with the most frequently used types of water mains and their characteristics. The participants will become familiar with the necessary steps of pipe installation and will be introduced to different types of storage facilities, as well as their operation and maintenance procedures.



This training course is especially useful for directors of distribution and technical department, operation and maintenance engineers, and production engineers.[read more](#)

Other

Utility Management Training Module “Energy Management and Energy Efficiency” Took Place in Albania



Utility Management Training is the latest word in Danube Learning Partnership capacity building efforts: A two-year curriculum that provides mid-career professionals with a holistic view of all aspects of future-orientated utility management. The class of 2021 gathered last week for insights into energy-efficient utility operations.

Building on proven D-LeaP programs and collaborating with leading utilities in Central and Eastern Europe, the Utility Management Training aims to equip current and future water-sector managers with tools and techniques to support their decision-making. Eight training modules over two years cover the major processes and functions in a water utility. The first course of this program started in 2021, and from 16 May to 20 May, its Energy Management and Energy Efficiency training module, the fifth out of eight, took place in Tirana and Korca, Albania. [read more](#)

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