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November 2022

The Countdown for the 10th Balkans Joint Conference and Exhibition has already started!



Upcoming Training Courses and CD Programs

[Introduction of Wastewater Systems for Managers and Engineers, Training on "Management of Infrastructure Projects"](#)
9-10 November 2022

[General Safety for Water and Waste Water Professionals](#)
23-24 November 2022,
Tirana

Upcoming International Conferences

[17th EWA Hybrid Brussels Conference](#)

Vivaqua, Brussels
8 November 2022

[Digital Water Summit](#)

Bilbao, Spain
29 November – 2 December 2022

GROUNDWATER MAKING THE INVISIBLE VISIBLE

BALKANS JOINT CONFERENCE
AND EXHIBITION
8-10 NOVEMBER 2022
PRISHTINA, KOSOVO



The 10th Balkans Joint Conference and Exhibition "**Groundwater – Making the Invisible Visible**", which will take place on **8-10 November 2022, at the Emerald Hotel, Prishtina**, is just days away, and we can't wait to see you there!

The Organizing and Program Committees are pleased to share below some of the highlights of the event.

High Level Decision Makers



H.E. Getoar Mjeku, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economy, Kosovo, will deliver a congratulatory address during the Conference Opening Ceremony on 8 November 2022, as well as a greeting speech at the opening of the second working day of Conference sessions, on 10 November 2022.

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What's New at SHUKALB

SHUKALB Delivers Successfully the 3-Day Training on “Technology”



During 12-14 October 2022, in Tirana, SHUKALB delivered successfully the 3-day training on “Technology”, in framework of the Capacity Development Program titled “Introduction of Wastewater Systems for managers and engineers”, which is being piloted for the first time in the framework of the Project Regional Capacity Development Network for Water and Sanitation Services (RCDN).

The training was attended by representatives from Water Supply and Sewerage Companies of Vlora, Shkoder, Lezhe, Kamez, Fier and Himare, as well as Municipalities of Vlore and Lezhe. The training was led by Prof. Enkelejda Gjinali, Lecturer, Polytechnic University of Tirana, Eng. Enkeleda Basha, Manager of Durres Wastewater Treatment Plant and Eng. Blerina Arrtunda, Manager of the Shiroka and Velipoja Wastewater Treatment Plant. [read more](#)

News From Our Members

Best Practices for Pipe Repair & Replacement Programme

The very nature of a pipe burst is that it is unexpected. Crews jump into action and solve the problem as quickly as possible to

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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.



mitigate damage. Like any emergency, the speed of resolution is often more important than the cost. Utilities are prepared to pull personnel off other jobs, rent expensive equipment, pay high couriers fees, and so on. In contrast, replacement of aging infrastructure often

comes with the gift of time that is used to hire experts to do condition assessment, source the optimal solution and prioritise critical needs first.

While you may not know exactly when and where the next pipe will burst, planning for breaks is possible, and the effort expended on this is a direct benefit to optimising replacement projects. Below are some best practices that utilities are using to deal with the historical issues that are consuming budgets today. [read more](#)

Other

European Green Deal: European Commission Proposes Rules for Cleaner Air and Water

The European Commission is proposing stronger rules on ambient air, surface and groundwater pollutants, and treatment of urban wastewater. Clean air and water are essential for the health of people and ecosystems. Across air and water, all of the new rules provide clear return on investment thanks to benefits in health, energy savings, food production, industry, and biodiversity. Learning the lessons from current laws, the Commission proposes to both tighten allowed levels of pollutants and to improve implementation to ensure pollution reduction goals are more often reached in practice.

For more information visit the link:

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_22_6278

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