

GROUP Connect-EU

Water

Sector

Water

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Areas of action

_ The Group disseminates all information about European R&D+i policies to water stakeholders in Catalonia. It is also involved in the work programmes of the European Commission together with national representatives from European working committees and technological platforms.

_ The main aim is to encourage Catalan businesses and research bodies to apply for funding from European programmes in such fields as the development and innovation of biotechnological and environmental technologies, the development of decision-making support systems (expert systems, models, etc.) applied to the management of the water cycle (collection, potabilization, treatment and reuse), the generation of offshore wave energy and the treatment of wastewater.

Goals

- 1_ To compile a single document stating the interests of Catalan organisations that work in the field of water and promote them in Europe.
- 2_ To draw up the strategic agenda on water for Catalonia.
- 3_ To increase the presence of Catalan organisations in European research projects.
- 4_ To propose and assess the candidacies of expert advisors for European projects.
- 5_ To inform all stakeholders in the network about the opportunities offered by European projects.
- 6_ To participate as experts in seminars for the dissemination and review of proposals made by the Government of Catalonia.

Strategy

_ To compile the maximum possible number of contributions made by Catalan businesses, clusters, universities, research centres and technology centres (CERCA and TECNIO) and submit them to the European Commission in the shape of a strategic strategy intended to set standards for future EU policies and programmes. The participation of Catalan stakeholders in European calls is also encouraged through seminars at which expert advice is given about the detection and creation of opportunities.

_ To exert an influence on future FP8 working programmes by taking an active involvement in them, identifying the strengths and weaknesses of each programme or call, and by participating in technological platforms as representatives of the interests of Catalonia.

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