

EMERGING CONTAMINANTS AS PHARMACEUTICALS IN THE AQUATIC ENVIRONMENT

Invitation to Society discussion panel Agenda of the meeting Austria, Vienna, Online BOKU

22nd March 2022







The Interreg Central Europe project boDEREC-CE aims to define an integrated management strategy for waterworks that guarantees increased quality of drinking water. In particular, the project's specific objectives are to study pharmaceuticals and personal care products (PPCPs) in the natural environment, to evaluate the technological aspects of PPCPs attenuation in drinking water and the establishment of decision support systems for waterworks.

The key challenge for all boDEREC-CE communication activities is informing stakeholders and general public of the project objectives to raise their awareness and increase knowledge. Moreover, it is important to disseminate project results and outputs to target groups to influence their stakeholders attitude and general public behaviour towards the emerging contaminants topics.

Therefore, in the frame of the World Water Day a public dissemination event is organized, with the main aim to disseminate the project among the public, raise of awareness concerning the increasing amount of pharmaceuticals in the aquatic environment by initiating an open discussion on the public's opinion concerning their use and disposal.

With the hope of seeing You at the meeting, Sincerely,

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1. Agenda

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18.00 - 18.05 Welcome and registration

18.05 - 18.35 Brief presentation of the scope of the boDEREC-CE project and the goal of the event

Brief presentation of the main outputs of the whole project

18.35 - 19.30 Usage and disposal of pharmaceuticals in Austria - Interactive discussion: the public will be first asked for their opinion/idea through an interactive poll, followed by a brief explanation, of each of the following topics:

Spendings on pharmaceuticals in one year and over the past decade in Austria

Use of pharmaceuticals in Austria per age group

Potential sources of pharmaceutical pollutions

Potential pathways of pharmaceutical pollutionsPresentation of questionnaire concerning usage and disposal methods of pharmaceuticals

The event will be held online through the platform Zoom and in English.

The event is completely OPEN and FREE of charge.

To participate please use the following link: https://bokuvienna.zoom.us/j/96961206245 .

For more information concerning the project please feel free to visit the following links:

Project homepage https://www.interreg-central.eu/Content.Node/boDEREC-CE.html .

LinkedIn https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12230816/

YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrkMgk1puEOMwRC60pVIFBQ

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/boderecce/