

# Study visit of a Macedonian delegation to the Netherlands

17 - 23 September, 2017

Twinning project "Strengthening the capacities for effective implementation of the acquis in the field of water quality"



# 1. Program

Sunday 17 September

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| Flight from Skopje<br>Transport to Utrecht |
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Monday 18 September

|             | Train trip to The Hague  | Remarks   |
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| 13:00-17:00 | <p>Visit to International Water House, Bezuidenhoutseweg 2, 2594 AV The Hague (about 5 minutes walk from The Hague Central Station).</p> <p>Speakers from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Ministry of Infrastructure and then Environment</b> (Diederik van der Molen): Implementation of the Water Framework Directive</li><li>- <b>Netherlands Water Partnership</b> (Mark Niesten): NWP as intermediate between Dutch Water Sector and foreign institutions.</li><li>- <b>RijksWaterstaat</b> (Marcel van den Berg): organisation of knowledge transfer to Ministry</li></ul> | <p>At 13:00 a lunch will be offered by NWP</p> <p>Diederik van der Molen already prepared a presentation (see attached file).</p> |
|             | Train back to Utrecht  |   |

Tuesday 19 September

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| 9:00-12:00  | <p>Visit to <b>Netherlands Enterprise Agency</b> (In Dutch: <b>RVO</b>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Spatial information in water management projects</li> <li>- Participation and spatial design</li> <li>- Interactive touch table session</li> <li>- Discussion: how to use spatial information and participatory approaches in WFD?</li> </ul> <p>-</p>                           | (Croeselaan 15, Utrecht; Room: Noord / Zuidholland zaal)) |
| 12:00-14:00 | Walk from RVO to NCEA and lunch (own expenses)  |   |
| 14:00-16:30 | <p>Visit to <b>Netherlands Commission for Environmental Assessment</b> (NCEA) (In Dutch: <b>Commissie MER</b>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction NCEA</li> <li>- Presentation about Environmental Assessment (SEA) in the Netherlands</li> <li>- Examples of SEA for water planning</li> <li>- Q&amp;A</li> <li>- Discussion on integrating SEA and water planning</li> </ul> | (Arthur van Schendelstraat 760, Utrecht)                  |

Wednesday 20 September

|        |  | Remarks   |
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| 9 – 17 | <p>Visit to <b>Limburg Water Authority</b></p> <p>Location: Roermond</p> <p>Will include field trip.</p> | <p>A bus will leave around 7:30 from the hotel</p> <p>Maria Theresialaan 99, 6043 CX Roermond</p> <p>Confirmed; van to be rented (Wilko is working on that)</p> |

Thursday 21 September

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| 9 – 16 | <p>Visit to <b>Deltares</b> <a href="https://www.deltares.nl/en/">https://www.deltares.nl/en/</a><br/>           Location: Utrecht. Address: Princetonlaan 6, Utrecht.</p> <p>Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deltares (William Oliemans_</li> <li>- Water quality (Sacha de Rijk)</li> <li>- WFD Explorer (Erwin Meijers)</li> <li>- Monitoring, chemical substances (Erwin Roex)</li> <li>- WFD toolbox (Joost van der Roovaart)</li> <li>- Monitoring, biological quality elements (Ruurd Noordhuis)</li> <li>- Visit to laboratory facilities</li> <li>- Hydromorphology (Mijke van Oorschot or Gertjan Geerlings)</li> <li>- EU cooperation (Jos Brils; to be confirmed)</li> </ul> <p>At 15:00 a panel will be organised about knowledge management, and relationship between institutes, universities, Ministries and water managers.</p> | <p>Address: Daltonlaan 600, Utrecht<br/>           Travel to be arranged by the delegates (short trip by public transport)</p> |

Friday 22 September

|               |   | Remarks   |
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| 9 – 12        | <p>Visit to <b>Water Information and Data Centre</b> (in Amersfoort). The Water Information and Data Centre is the central organisation of Information and Data flows between parties in the Netherland.</p> <p>Presentation by Paul Latour and discussion</p>  | <p>Address: Stationsplein 89, Amersfoort.<br/>           One minute walk.<br/>           Train to Amersfoort (e.g. 8:48 train from Utrecht Centraal from platform 12)</p> |
| 12:00 - 12:45 | Travel to Bilthoven by train, followed by bus or walk   |   |
| 13:00 - 17:00 | <p>Visit to the <b>Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment RIVM</b> (in Bilthoven).</p> <p>Topics RIVM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Governance aspects of water policy (Susanne Wuijts)</li> <li>- Monitoring Network Groundwater and policy support in the field of groundwater (Jacqueline Claessens)</li> <li>- Monitoring Network Effects of Minerals Policy (Eke Buis)</li> <li>- Microbiological aspects of drinking water and bathing water (Harold van den Berg)</li> <li>- Function-specific groundwater screening values (Piet Otte)</li> </ul> | <p>Room: A4.013<br/>           12:45 start with lunch</p> <p>See attached article (Frank Swartjes et al.)</p>   |

Saturday 23 September

Transport to airport

Flight to Skopje