

Water innovation

Water innovation: boosting its value for Europe



One of the main focus areas of the "Climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials Challenge" in Horizon 2020 is water. It aims at boosting EU competitiveness, growth and jobs in the water sector, thus positioning Europe as a global market leader in water-related innovative solutions.

This priority also wants to support the needs of relevant EU water, innovation and resource efficient policies, water-related initiatives and international commitments, such as: the European Innovation Partnership ([EIP](#) [1]) on Water, the [EIP](#) [2] on Agriculture, the Joint Programming Initiative ([JPI](#) [3]) on Water, SPIRE Public-Private Partnership ([PPP](#) [4]), the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ([IPCC](#) [5]), [Rio+20](#) [6], etc.

The major research and action areas covered by the water priority are:

- bridging the gap from innovative water solutions to market replication
- developing integrated approaches to water and climate change
- stepping up EU R&I cooperation in the water area
- harnessing EU water R&I results for industry agriculture policy makers and citizens and
- strengthening international R&I cooperation in the field of water.

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