

European Energy Network

A voluntary network of European energy agencies

Water Energy Nexus EnR Working Group

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Background EnR

- Established in 1990
- Voluntary network of national energy agencies with 24 members
- Information exchange, benchmarking and best practice, knowledge transfer, collaborative projects
- EnR acts as a bridge between national, regional & local activities and those of the European Community
- · Eight thematic Working Groups









EnR Working Groups

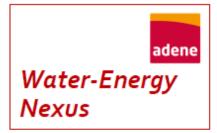




















Water Energy Nexus WG





Water-Energy Nexus (WEN) WG | Main Goal

Contribute and advocate for the Water-Energy Nexus approach under current and future European and national policies on water, energy & climate action, fostering a stronger connection between these policies at EU and Country levels.





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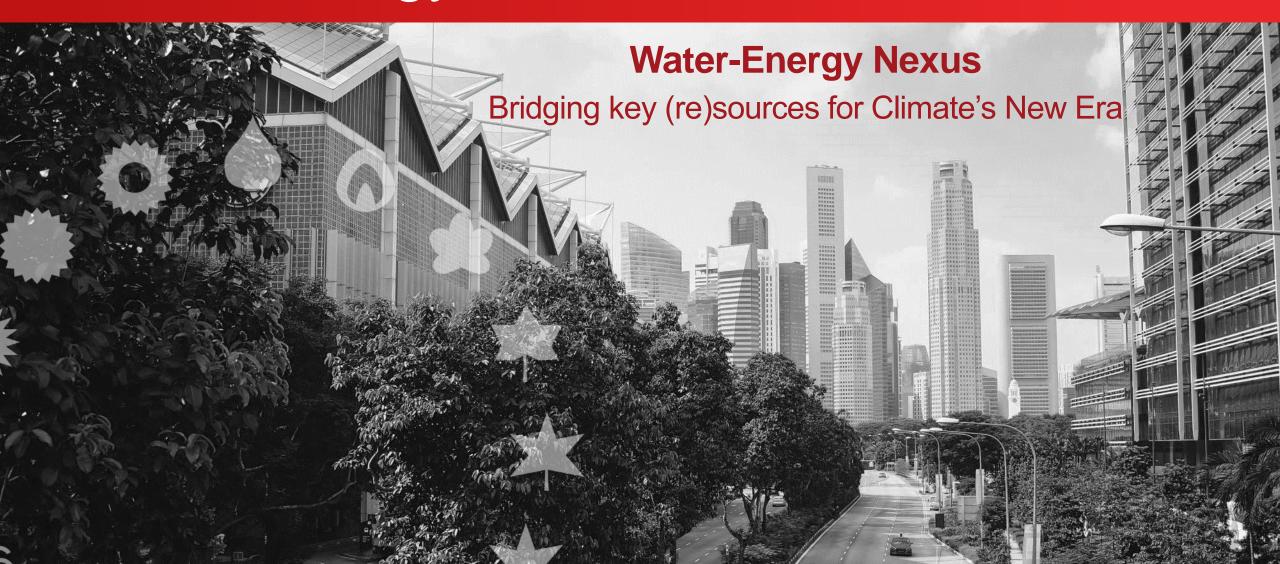








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Water Energy Nexus
Untapped opportunities



Energy and water interdependencies jeopardizes mitigation&adaptation goals

Water, critical for energy production, faces increased shortages due to climate change

Competition for water is growing (energy, consumers and other economic activities)

Untapped new opportunities

within the water-energy nexus

Need for increased water efficiency and water conservation practices in all sectors

Energy sector needs to look beyond energy, including water and the water-energy nexus

There is enhanced impact of combined water-energy approaches vs isolated ones





Water Energy Nexus Key enablers



FINANCING

 Systematic transformation to seize opportunities calls for Smart market-based financing solutions

PROFESSIONALS

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CONSUMERS

 Awareness and value of combined water and energy efficiency (particularly in buildings)

Historic role of European Energy Agencies

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EUR 177 billion annually from 2021 onwards to reach 2030 climate and energy goals

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Water-Energy Nexus (WEN) WG | Scope

I. WEN2Demand

Water and energy combined approaches | Water efficiency and combined water-energy efficiency; Water leakages and related energy; Water and energy monitoring; Impacts of integrated approaches to climate adaptation and mitigation goals (priority and first topic)

II. WEN@Production

Water for Energy | water-energy nexus in renewable energy and in Renewable Energy Communities; green hydrogen from water reuse

Energy for water | water-energy nexus in alternative water sources (eg. water reuse, desalinization), exploring future Renewable Water Communities

III. WEN4Climate Action

Integrated approach | WEN quantified role and impacts towards climate adaptation and mitigation goals.



Water Energy Nexus WG activities





Studies and Publications | Overview

Studies and reports developed under WEN Task Force work (2022)



#GreenSkills&Jobs

Water-Energy Nexus Financing

#SustainableFinance



#WENLabelling

Green Jobs

- Training gaps in existing and future workforce
- Propose guidelines for new job profile creation
- Strengthen climate transition within the European Skills Agenda
- Build from experience on water-energy nexus profiles

Water-Energy Nexus Financing

- Innovative financing models based on successful energy efficiency models
- Foster solution adoption by facilitating compliance with EU Taxonomy

Taps&Showers Labelling

- survey on "European population's perception of products and fixtures labelling schemes"
- Contribution for increased adoption of efficient water use products, fixtures, and appliances





Water-Energy Nexus (WEN) WG | Activities

Registration in the Water Action Agenda (UN 2023)

- Webinars 2024
- 5th March | Water-Energy efficiency rating schemes
- 17th September | The relevance of energy in addressing water scarcity and financing mechanisms





Water-Energy Nexus (WEN) WG | Webinar

WATER-ENERGY EFFICIENCY RATING SCHEMES

- 14h00 Welcome
- 14h05 Agencies' News and funding opportunities
- 14h30 AQUA+, Water efficiency rating in buildings Patrícia Dias, ADENE (PT)
- 14h50 The Climate-Ready Certificates Methodology Pedro Cardoso, ADENE (PT)
- 15h10 Discussion (Q&A)
- 15h30 Conclusion of the session







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