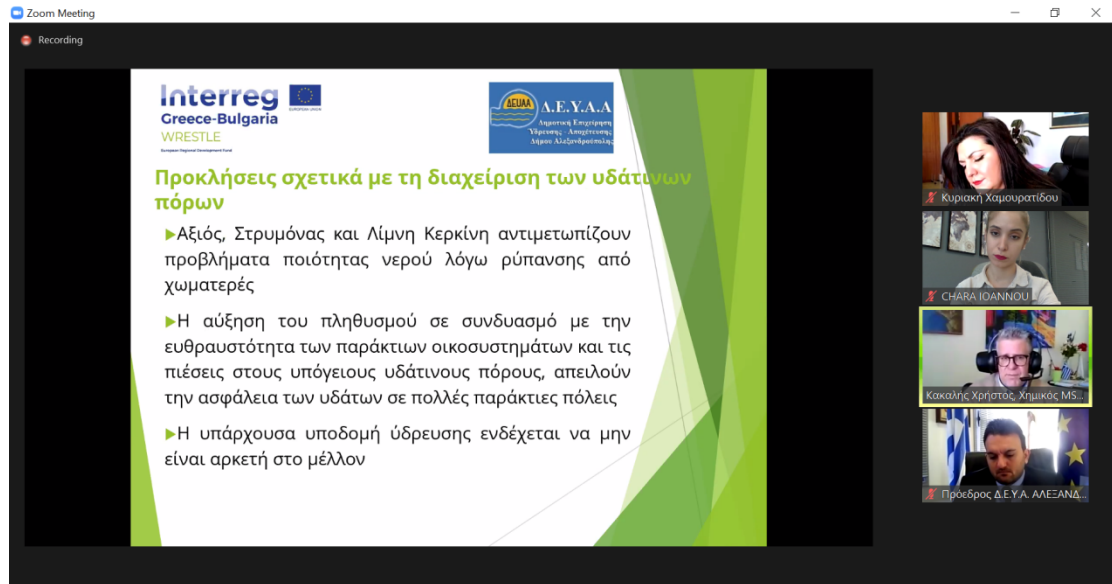


First Online Local Event DEYAA



DEYAA, who is the Lead Beneficiary of project “WRESTLE”, successfully organized an online event on 01/12/2021 via zoom. A big number of people attended the event that showed high levels of interest regarding the sustainable water resources management.

The Vice President of the Board of DEYAA, as well as the General Manager of DEYAA, welcomed all participants. DEYA of other cities were among the participants. The Vice President focused on the importance of the project as well as the partnership and their contribution. The General Manager referred to the significance of the project especially in Alexandroupolis, as many issues arise during the winter.

Following this, External Expert of DEYAA, presented the project, the implemented activities and its results. Following that, the joint monitoring system developed in the cross border area of Greece-Bulgaria were presented and analyzed. Last, the Director of Environment Service - Water Resources Management - Quality Control, extensively presented the challenges in the field of water as well as DEYAs’ role in this phenomenon.

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Second Local Event of DEYAA



The second local event of the project was conducted on March 22nd, 2022, which was the World Water Day, at the Ethnological Museum of Thrace in Alexandroupolis. The topic of the event concerned the need for rational use in the global climate crisis and to make all of us aware of the future danger of water scarcity. The message of the event was "A drop of water, a drop of life". A big number of representatives from local bodies attended the event. During the event all the necessary measures for COVID-19 were observed.

The Mayor of the municipality of Alexandroupolis, opened the event analyzing the importance of the world water day, the collective effort made for the rational use of water and the urgent need to protect groundwater, as this was the theme chosen by the UNO for World Water Day 2022. Particular emphasis was given to the need to subsidize DEYAs nationwide on the increase of energy costs because he clarified that this cost must not be passed on to the citizens.

Going further, the President of DEYAA, presented extensively the projects that were performed and are being performed in the network of DEYAA, with the aim of the

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smooth operation of the water supply. He referred to the shielding of the reservoir and the double effort to save water, on the one hand by avoiding reckless use and on the other hand by replacing the networks so that there are no leaks. Moreover, the President announced the coordinated effort made from end to end of the Municipality of Alexandroupolis so that no point of the Municipality faces problems of low pressure or inability of water supply.

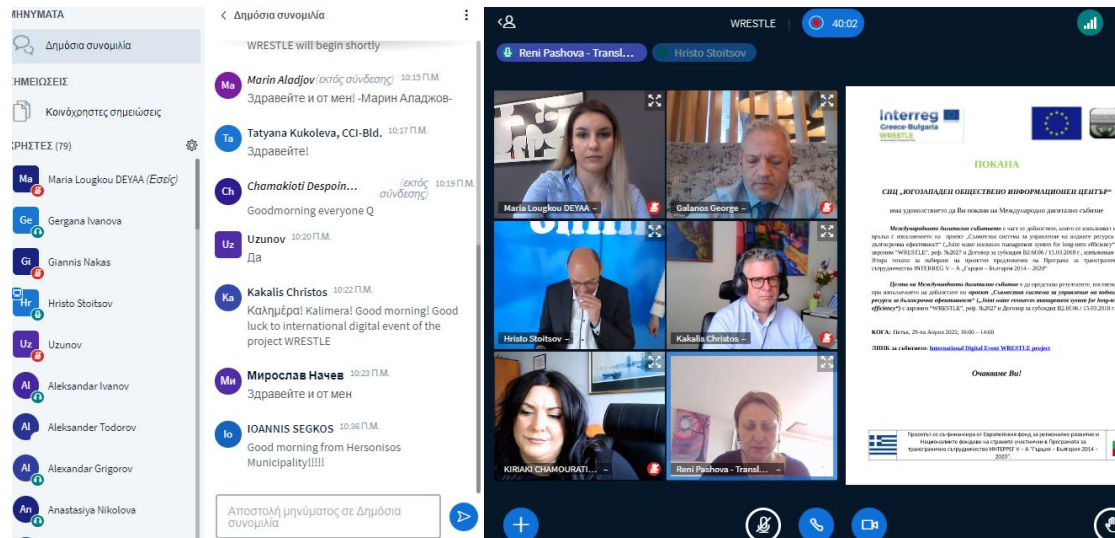
The General Director of DEYAA, informed the audience about the transition of DEYA to the digital age and the gradual modernization of services both to the citizens and the control of the company's facilities. She then referred to the green technology and the environmental action of the company.

Professor of the Medical School of the University of Thrace, Director of the laboratory of hygiene and environmental protection, with the extremely interesting topic "Water as a means of transmission of infectious diseases" and Environmental Engineer, with his thorough stance on "Rational management of water resources using precision irrigation tools" helped to understand the global need for the preservation of the so-called white gold, the water.

The event was completed with an online presentation by the representative of the contractor company who informed about the progress of the WRESTLE project as well as the "Joint Water Resources Management System for long-term sustainability".

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First Transnational Event of SWPIC



The first transnational digital event was held by PB6 on Friday, 29th of April 2022, with the aim of presenting the results of the Project “Joint Water Resources Management System for Long Term Efficiency” with the acronym “WRESTLE”.

At first, an opening and introduction of the Agenda by Mr. Krassimir Tsvetanov, chairman of the NGO “Southwest Public Information Center”, took place. In more detail, Mr. Tsvetanov remarked the fact that beneficiaries are working together for sustainable water management. Mrs. Chamouratidou Kyriaki, General Director of the Municipal Enterprise for Water and Sewage of Alexandroupolis, (DEYAA), which is the Lead Beneficiary of the project, referred to the project partners whose contribution has proven to be valuable in achieving optimal results.

Mr. Ioannis Segkos, Mayor of Hersonissos, Municipality in Crete and Vice-President of the Environmental Committee of Central Union of Municipalities in Greece (KEDE) mentioned that KEDE’s goal is to increase the quality of living standards of citizens. Mr. George Galanos, representing the Democritus University of Thrace - Department of Economics - Special Account for Research (Greece), remarked the fact that Democritus University has prepared the plan, the design and the technique for the implementation of the monitoring system.

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Mr. Krassimir Tsvetanov represented highlighted the fact that the project increases efficiency at local level. In addition, he indicated that through project activities, the control of water resources could be much more effective in beneficiaries' area. Mrs. Lougkou Maria, external expert of the Municipal Enterprise for Water and Sewage of Alexandroupolis, Greece presented the project results of the Lead Beneficiary. Mr. Ioannis Nakas, external expert of the Central Union of Municipalities in Greece (KEDE), gave a presentation about the project results concerning KEDE's responsibilities in the project, which were related to the communication activities and the dissemination of the project.

Mr. Nikos Koutsomarkos, representing the Municipality of Xanthi and the Municipal Enterprise of Water and Sewage of Xanthi (Greece), indicated that they are in the phase of the installation of the Joint Monitoring System and pointed out that the whole procedure is going on according to the schedule. Mr. Hristo Stoitsov, consultant of the NGO "Southwest Public Information Center" (Bulgaria), informed participants that the collection of data and the preparation of reports under the WP4 are finalized in the Bulgarian and English language. Mr. Stoitsov also remarked that they have already conducted the awareness raising campaign on the territory of the Municipality of Blagoevgrad.

Mr. Nikolay Milovanov, professor in the New Bulgarian University, made a presentation of the mobile applications and capabilities of the Joint Water Resources Management System. In more detail, he pointed out that they have created a mobile application for monitoring consumption of water on a daily, weekly or monthly basis. This application offers detailed information about different time periods. Closing, Mr. Stoitsov expressed his gratitude to the Lead Partner, to the rest of the partners, to external experts and to the Steering Committee for their support in project implementation.

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Second Transnational Event of DEYAA



The second transnational event of “WRESTLE” project was organized by the LB, on 21st October, 2022 at the Ethnological Museum of Thrace. The aim of the event was to inform the participants about the results of the project by all beneficiaries.

The event started with the welcome speech of the President of the Managing Board of DEYAA, stating that he was very happy for this project and the results it has produced. After that, the representative of PB6 made the welcome speech on behalf of the Mayor of Kresna, who was not able to attend the event due to personal obligations.

The President of the Managing Board made a presentation regarding the Method of Water Supply of the Municipality of Alexandroupolis, focusing on the challenges the municipality faced and the ways these challenges have been overcome. Going further, representatives of each beneficiary informed the participants about the results they have generated. Representative of the LB provided information about the

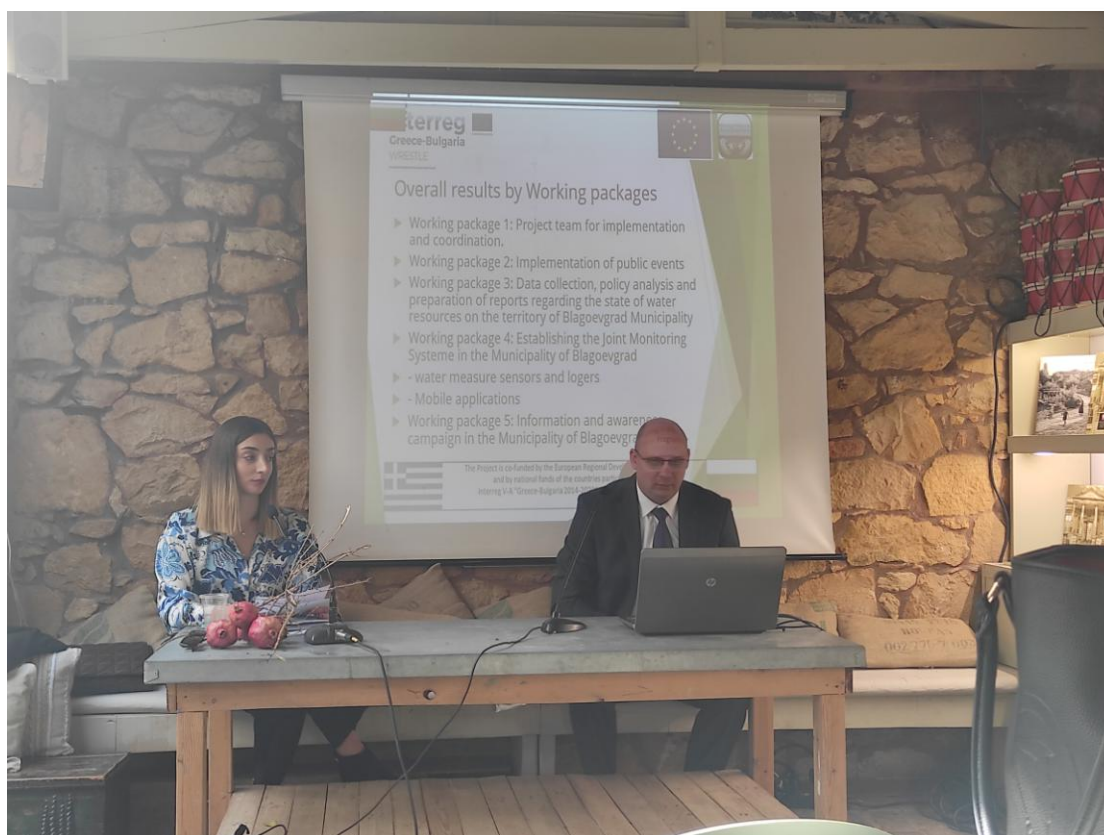
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physical and online meetings that have taken place and briefly described the monitoring system. The joint monitoring system described in detail by the external consultant responsible for its creation. She highlighted that in order for measurements to be exact, people need the collection of data in order to make decisions on how they proceed. More precisely, the system performs a consumption analysis with digital meters, applications of data analysis algorithms (big data) and artificial intelligence in order to promote better consumer behavior statistics and reports are generated for demand management and finally, there is cloud technology.

The External Consultant of KEDE provided information about the website and social media accounts of the project, which were created by PB6, but KEDE is responsible for the contribution with communication material. The poster, banner, leaflets, e-newsletters were presented as well as the training sessions that took place regarding the joint monitoring system and the Information & Awareness Raising Campaign. In addition, representative of PB4 and PB7 could not attend the event, but created a video which was displayed during the event. First, he provided information about the progress the two partners have made so far and with respect to PB7, the installation of equipment as well as the integration and parameterization of the software have been completed, but the pilot operation is still ongoing. Furthermore, he described the joint monitoring system by focusing on the objective of its creation and its results so far.

The representative of PB5 and PB6 made the closure of the event. PB5 has executed all events, information & awareness raising campaign, has made media publications as well as public procurement delivery and installation of equipment (water measure sensors and loggers) and development of mobile applications. Likewise, PB6 has completed all WPs and the activities they include. This beneficiary was also responsible for the website and social media accounts creation, the poster, leaflets and banner. The activities concerning the core of the project, that is the monitoring system, have also been performed. At the end of the event some souvenirs were given to participants with an explanation in English and Bulgarian language.

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