

First call

4th B&H
WATER
CONGRESS

Dear colleagues,

A paradigm is a collection of basic assumptions or rules that are the starting point for perceiving reality and its phenomena, and so the paradigm of water management in the EU is going to shift or change starting from this year, 2024. The new key term in water management is being **"more water resilient"** – meaning increase of flexibility or adaptability to changes, not just in view of the accelerating climate changes, but also the many decades of multidimensional structural flaws. Water as a common vital resource that is passed on from one generation to another is essential for mankind and the environment, as well as for an equitable foundation for economic development. The past several years have seen an increasing frequency and scope of natural disasters such as drought and floods, which are also linked to declining quality of waters and biodiversity.

The Water Framework Directive as primary EU legislation is supported by two daughter directives – on the quality and quantity of groundwater and the quality of surface waters. The floods risk assessment and management under the Floods Directive pertains to human health, the environment, the economy, and cultural heritage. Under way in the EU 27, in each country and the EU as a whole, is evaluation of plans and integration status of water situation management – third cycle, including flood risk management. Significant steps have been taken in Bosnia and Herzegovina, so it would be important for the Congress if all levels of government, the responsible agencies and their collaborators, as well as the academia and the business community were to summarize the achievements made thus far and the problems, particularly with the implementation of the Program of Measures under the Management Plan, as well as ways to solve them.

The Fourth BiH Congress on Waters comes at a time when everyone is expected to become involved in the efforts to improve environmental management, especially management of waters, in order to finally start a new round of development and prosperity of the community.

As was the case with the previous conferences, this Congress will be international in character and will gather experts and scientific workers from different EU regions, representatives of nongovernmental organizations, and government representatives, for the purpose of spreading knowledge and experiences in all aspects of water resources management.

The conference will be held in Sarajevo on 19 and 20 November 2024.

We expect you to actively participate in the organization and the work of The Fourth BiH Congress on Waters.

Respectfully,



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President of UKI BiH / ACE BH

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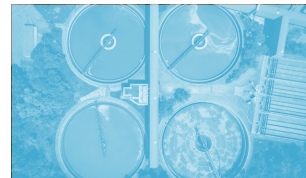


Quantitative and qualitative status of waters and water-dependent ecosystems



Regulation and use of water and soil

Climate changes and their impact on the water sector



Water supply, drainage, and wastewater treatment systems

Digital transformation and innovations in the water sector

Economic instruments and mechanisms to fund the implementation of the Program of Measures



Water policies, education, water economy planning, participation of public, and mutual cooperation in BiH and international cooperation



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abstract submission	→ 21.10.2024.
paper submission (final version)	→ 04.11.2024.
application for participation	→ 04.11.2024.
Congress days	→ 19-20.11.2024.

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