WP8 - EVENT NUMBER [8]

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET - PAESE DELL'ACQUA/SASSINORO MUNICIPALITY

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Associazione Promozione Sociale "Paese dell'Acqua"
PIC number:	910865988
Project name and acronym:	Aquatik - EU

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	8
Event name:	L'Acqua tra bene e comune – Tavola Rotonda sulla gestione delle risorse idriche
Type:	Roundtable
In situ/online:	*In Situ*
Location:	Sassinoro
Date(s):	27/06/2026
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.alda-europe.eu/aquatik/
Participants	
Female:	20
Male:	32
Non-binary:	N/A
From country 1 [ITALY]:	52
From country 2 [name]:	

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From country 3 [name]:			
…			
Total number of participants:	52	From total number of countries:	1

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Single event/activity Description:

Event/activity: 8
Partner: Paese dell'Acqua
Location: Sassinoro, Benevento, Italy
Date: 27/06/2026
Number of participants (detailed gender and countries): 52 participants, 32 male and 20 female.

Description:

Formulated under the umbrella of the AQUATIK-EU project within Work Package 8 (WP8), this participatory round table titled "*L'Acqua tra Bene e Comune* addresses the pressing management of vital water resources. The public forum took place on June 27, 2026, in Piazza IV Novembre within Sassinoro, Italy, and convened together numerous transnational civic entities and local institutions.

The round-table kicked-off at 17:30 with introductory institutional greetings from **Luca Apollonio**, the Mayor of Sassinoro. Given his municipal role, his speech established a local administrative lens, highlighting how micro-municipalities handle water supply logistics, political accountability, and territory safeguarding. Following these remarks, **Marco Iamiceli**, representing the Associazione Paese dell'Acqua, assumed his role as the session moderator to seamlessly guide the subsequent discourse.

The core panel encompassed specialized interventions from three prominent field experts:

- **Bruno Miccio**, spoke on behalf of the non-profit organization Gruppo Onlus 183, targeting civic environmentalism. His angle championed the protection of rivers and water ecosystems against pollution, privatization and environmental degradation.
- **Vera Corbelli**, the Secretary General of the District Basin Authority of the Southern Apennines, provided a vital macro-regional technical perspective. Her intervention detailed large-scale structural water management strategies, infrastructural resilience, and systemic hydrological safety policies.
- **Eriberto Eulisse**, the Executive Director of the Global Network of Water Museums (UNESCO-IHP), elevated the scope internationally to explore the cultural dimension. He presented water as a piece of shared historical global heritage essential for educational awareness and sustainable tourism.

Following these thematic panels, **Nella Rescigno** from the cultural and creative enterprise JustMO' led a project follow-up titled "*Verso una Mappa di Comunità*" (Towards a Community Map). This segment focused on social innovation to detail how civic-led mapping fosters a deep sense of environmental co-responsibility among local residents.

The evening transitioned to tangible institutional growth at 19:30 with the formal inauguration of the new headquarters for the Associazione Paese dell'Acqua on Corso Umberto I, anchoring a permanent

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physical hub for water advocacy in the region. The entire event concludes at 20:30 with an open "Buffet in Piazza," encouraging communal networking and direct dialogue between the public, community leaders, and the expert panel.

Conclusions

Ultimately, "*L'Acqua tra Bene e Comune*" offered a meaningful conclusion to its exploratory goals. By successfully bridging local municipal governance, regional technical management, global cultural networking, and grassroots community mapping, the event provided a highly holistic model for modern water sustainability. This integrated framework proves that executing progressive EU environmental directives requires aligning localized community pride with broad transnational expertise, turning a shared natural resource into a beacon of civic unity.

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EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET - LDA MOSTAR / CITY OF MOSTAR

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[8 - LDA Mostar]
PIC number:	[936343329]
Project name and acronym:	[Aquatik-EU: Valorisation of aquatic heritages in Europe] — [AQUATIK-EU]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	8
Event name:	"Water Governance in Mostar: Competencies, Responsibilities, and the Role of Citizens - How Citizens Can Address Water Resource Management Issues"
Type:	Roundtable
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Bosnia and Herzegovina, City of Mostar
Date(s):	5 June 2026
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.ldamostar.org/roundtable-on-water-governance-held-in-mostar-alongside-the-presentation-of-the-citizens-guide/ https://www.alda-europe.eu/aquatik/
Participants	
Female:	38 (+ 3 project staff)
Male:	16 (+1 project staff)
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [Bosnia and Herzegovina]:	54 (+4 project staff)
From country 2 [name]:	
From country 3 [name]:	

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Total number of participants:	54 (+4 project staff)	From total number of countries:	1

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Single event/activity Description:

- Event/activity 8: WP8 - Local roundtables for sharing perspectives between LAs, CSOs and citizens; "Water Governance in Mostar: Competencies, Responsibilities, and the Role of Citizens - How Citizens Can Address Water Resource Management Issues"
- Partner: LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar
- Location: Svetozar Ćorović Memorial House, Herzegovina Museum, Mostar
- Date: 05 June 2026
- Number of participants (detailed gender and countries)
    - CSOs 13
    - Local Authorities13
    - Public institutions 9
    - Ministries 3
    - Universities 2
    - International organizations (OSCE, UNDP) 2
    - Media 3
    - Citizens 9

    - Male participants: 16 (+1 project staff)
    - Female participants: 38 (+3 project staff)
    - Nonbinary participants: 0
    - From County: Bosnia and Herzegovina 54 (+4 project staff)

Description:

Local roundtables for sharing perspectives between LAs, CSOs and citizens

LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar organized the Local roundtable for sharing perspectives between LAs, CSOs and citizens with aim at spurring dialogue between citizens, LAs, sector-specific stakeholders, and civil society (SO3) and improve citizens' sense of responsibility and knowledge on the multifaceted importance of preserving water resources (SO2). Therefore, the local roundtable was organized where citizens and CSOs directly engaged and brought their perspectives on the same table of those actors which have the ability to make concrete decisions and adopt policy regarding specific needs concerning water valorisation and management raised in the previous WP (7), namely LAs. The activity was implemented in the City of Mostar BiH.

LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar designed and prepared the local roundtable, ensuring that the participatory governance methods are applied. The specific agenda was defined and tailored to the specific local context, according to the needs emerged during WP7.

The roundtable event was organised by the LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar.
The event gathered 54 participants (+4 project staff), including partners' representatives, LAs, experts, CSO's representatives and citizens. Participants in WP7 and earlier WPs were invited in this WP as

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well, so as to ensure continuation of their involvement. The implementation was performed by both the LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar in a complementary manner.

Key Information

- Event name: AQUATIK-EU Roundtable "Water Governance in Mostar: Competencies, Responsibilities, and the Role of Citizens - How Citizens Can Address Water Resource Management Issues"
- Date and location: 05 June 2026, Svetozar Ćorović Memorial House, Herzegovina Museum Mostar
- Organizers: LDA Mosta and the City of Mostar

Event Overview

Main activities:

At the premises of the Svetozar Ćorović Memorial House, with in the Museum of Herzegovina, on 05 June 2026, a round table titled "Water Governance in Mostar: Competencies, Responsibilities, and the Role of Citizens - How Citizens Can Address Water Resource Management Issues", was held. The event was organized within the framework of the AQUATIK-EU project, implemented in partnership by the Local Democracy Agency Mostar (LDA Mostar) and the City of Mostar.
The workshop gathered 54 participants (+4 project staff), including representatives of non-governmental organizations, public institutions, academia, and the City of Mostar, confirming the importance of a joint and participatory approach to the management and preservation of water resources in a local context.
The roundtable was implemented in line with the objectives of the AQUATIK-EU project, where citizens and CSOs can directly engage and bring their perspectives on the same table of those actors which have the ability to make concrete decisions and adopt the participation tools in line with the policies regarding specific needs concerning water valorization and management raised in the previous WP7, namely LAs.

In the opening session, the participants were addressed by Dženana Dedić, Director of LDA Mostar and local coordinator of the AQUATIK-EU project. The agenda and the speakers were presented.
The main objective of the roundtable was to present the Handbook entitled "Summary of Competencies in Water Resource Management, Public Utility Services, and the Protection of People and Property from Disasters." The handbook is primarily intended for the citizens of the City of Mostar and aims to provide practical information on the relevant legislative framework and institutional competencies related to water governance. It also offers clear guidance, practical instructions, and contact details of the responsible and competent institutions and public services that citizens can turn to in specific situations concerning water management.
The roundtable provided an opportunity for citizens to review the draft Handbook and submit their comments and suggestions before its finalization and official publication. This participatory approach ensured the participation of citizens and all relevant stakeholders throughout the handbook development process.
Following the incorporation of the proposed amendments and recommendations, the final version of the handbook will be published in electronic format on the websites of LDA Mostar and the City of Mostar. The publication will also be promoted through social media channels and local media outlets in order to make it as accessible as possible to the general public.
The handbook will be regularly updated to reflect any future changes to the legislative framework, institutional responsibilities, or the contact information of the relevant authorities and public services presented in the document.

During the program of the workshop the Handbook was presented:

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The Legal Framework was presented by Sanela Demirović, International Cooperation Advisor of the City of Mostar.
The Institutional Competencies were presented by Arnel Voljevica, Head of the Civil Protection Service of the City of Mostar
Sabina Memić, the Officer of the Department of Social Affairs responsible for Cooperation with Non-Governmental Organizations, facilitated the participants' discussion during which valuable inputs and suggestions were shared regarding the content of the handbook as well as its practical application.
These contributions will be taken into consideration and incorporated into the final document.

Following the presentation of the handbook, a two-hour guided visit to the annexes of the Herzegovina Museum was organized, including: Tara Tower, Labyrinth, Džemal Bijedić House, MuM Interpretation Centre. This was a unique opportunity to highlight the importance of water as part of cultural heritage, both through museum exhibits and through sites located in the Old Town and Old Bridge area of Mostar, which are recognized as protected World Heritage sites. The tour concluded at the MuM Interpretation Centre, whose central concept is water. Its space and content represent a strong foundation and a potential starting point for the future Water Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Through this roundtable the AQUATIK-EU project contributed to strengthening the role of local communities in recognizing, protecting, and valorizing water heritage, as well as to the development of innovative approaches that connect water heritage, cultural heritage, sustainable development, and active citizenship through a practical and applicable tool that will ensure the engagement of all interested stakeholders within the local community.

Guests and participants

54 representatives (+4 project staff) of civil society organizations, activists, local and cantonal government institutions, public companies, academia, and professionals participated in the event, actively engaging in the discussion and providing valuable contributions to the development of the handbook as a practical and useful tool for both citizens and local government institutions.

Daily schedule

AQUATIK-EU Roundtable
"Water Governance in Mostar: Competencies, Responsibilities, and the Role of Citizens"
How Citizens Can Address Water Resource Management Issues
Svetozar Ćorović Memorial House, Mostar, 5 June 2026

09:45 – 10:00	Registration of Participants
10:00 - 10:15	Welcome and Introduction to the Programme, *Dženana Dedić, LDA Mostar*
10:15 – 11:15	Presentation of the Handbook: Legal Framework, *Sanela Demirović, City of Mostar* Institutional Competencies, *Arnel Voljevica, City of Mostar*
11:15 - 11:30	Coffee Break and Discussion Facilitated by Sabina Memić, *City of Mostar*
11:30 - 13:30	Guided Visit to the Annexes of the Herzegovina Museum: ● Tara Tower ● Labyrinth

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- Džemal Bijedić House
- MuM Interpretation Centre

13:30 IUNCH, Mimar Restaurant, Old Town

Conclusions

The Local Roundtable on Water Governance in Mostar successfully achieved its intended objectives under WP8 by creating a structured and inclusive space for dialogue between local authorities, civil society organisations, citizens, and other relevant stakeholders. The event contributed to strengthening participatory governance approaches in the field of water resource management and reinforced cooperation between institutions and the local community.

A key outcome of the roundtable was the presentation and participatory review of the handbook “Summary of Competencies in Water Resource Management, Public Utility Services, and the Protection of People and Property from Disasters.” The active engagement of participants enabled the collection of valuable feedback and practical inputs, which will be integrated into the final version of the handbook prior to its publication and dissemination.

The event demonstrated a high level of stakeholder interest and engagement, with more than 50 participants representing civil society, public institutions, local and cantonal authorities, academia, media, and international organisations. This confirms the relevance of the topic and the importance of continued participatory processes in addressing water-related governance challenges at local level.

In addition to its policy and governance focus, the roundtable also contributed to raising awareness of the cultural and environmental significance of water through the guided visit to the Herzegovina Museum annexes and the MuM Interpretation Centre. This further strengthened the link between water heritage, sustainable development, and community engagement.

Overall, the activity contributed directly to the objectives of the AQUATIK-EU project by enhancing citizen participation, improving access to information on institutional responsibilities, and promoting innovative approaches to water governance. The results of the event will be further capitalised through the finalization, publication, and dissemination of the handbook, ensuring its long-term accessibility, relevance, and impact.

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EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET - GEOCLUBE/GONDOMAR MUNICIPALITY

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Geoclube – Associação Juvenil
PIC number:	949446477
Project name and acronym:	Aquatik - EU

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	8
Event name:	Water use around the World: Good Examples
Type:	Roundtable
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Portugal, Gondomar
Date(s):	18th June 2026
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.alda-europe.eu/aquatik/
Participants	
Female:	25
Male:	26
Non-binary:	
From country 1 Portugal:	51
From country 2 [name]:	
From country 3 [name]:	
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Total number of participants:	51	From total number of countries:	1

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

Single event/activity Description:

- Event/activity 8: WP8 – Local roundtable “Water use around the World: Good Examples”
- Partner: Geoclube - Associação Juvenil and the Municipality of Gondomar
- Location: Gondomar, Portugal
- Date: 18 June 2026
- Number of participants (detailed gender and countries): 51 participants: 26 men, 25 women all from Portugal

Geoclube - Associação Juvenil designed and prepared the WP8 local roundtable in partnership with the Municipality of Gondomar. The session was tailored to the specific local context of Gondomar, enabling participants to explore international examples of sustainable water use and to connect them with their own municipality.

The roundtable was facilitated by Carlos Ferreira (Geoclube — Associação Juvenil), who opened the session with a presentation of good examples of water use from around the world. The event gathered 51 participants (26 men, 25 women), all senior learners from the Universidade Sénior de Gondomar (Senior University of Gondomar), engaged through the partnership with the Municipality of Gondomar. Participants were then invited to apply the same exercise to their own territory, proposing good examples of water use for Gondomar.

Description:
On 18 June 2026, Geoclube — Associação Juvenil organised a local WP8 roundtable , “Water use around the World: Good Examples,” in Gondomar, Portugal, in partnership with the Municipality of Gondomar. The session brought together 51 students of the Universidade Sénior de Gondomar (Senior University of Gondomar) to explore international examples of water use and to identify good practices that could be applied to the municipality of Gondomar.
The roundtable was facilitated by Carlos Ferreira (Geoclube — Associação Juvenil), who opened the session with a presentation showcasing international good examples of sustainable water use from different regions of the world. Following the presentation, participants were invited to apply the same exercise to their own territory, proposing and sharing good examples of water use for the Municipality of Gondomar. This approach fostered active engagement and encouraged participants to reflect on water-related practices in their own community.
The activity was implemented in line with the objectives of the AQUATIK-EU project, supporting the goal of raising awareness on sustainable water use through intergenerational and locally-rooted civic participation.

Key Information

- Event name: “Water use around the World: Good Examples”
- Date and location: 18 June 2026, Gondomar, Portugal
- Organizers: Geoclube — Associação Juvenil, in partnership with the Municipality of Gondomar

Event Overview

- **Main activities:**

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The roundtable was facilitated by Carlos Ferreira (Geoclube — Associação Juvenil), who opened the session with a presentation of good examples of water use from around the world. Participants were then invited to apply the same exercise to their own territory, proposing good examples of water use for the Municipality of Gondomar. The facilitator guided a structured group discussion in which senior learners actively engaged with the topic, drawing connections between the international examples presented and their own local context.

Guests and participants: 51 senior learners from the Universidade Sénior de Gondomar (Senior University of Gondomar), engaged through the partnership with the Municipality of Gondomar (26 men, 25 women; all from Portugal).

Daily schedule

AQUATIK-EU roundtable – "Water use around the World: Good Examples"
Universidade Sénior de Gondomar, Gondomar, Portugal – 18 June 2026

09:30 – 09:45	Registration of Participants
09:45 – 10:00	**Welcome and Introduction to the AQUATIK-EU Project – Carlos Ferreira (Geoclube — Associação Juvenil)**
10:00 – 11:00	Presentation of Good Examples of Water Use around the World – Carlos Ferreira (Geoclube — Associação Juvenil)
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:15	Group Discussion: Proposing Good Examples of Water Use for Gondomar – Participants
12:15 – 12:30	Sharing of Participants' Proposals and Closing Remarks

Conclusions

The roundtable successfully achieved its intended objectives under WP8 by creating an inclusive and participatory space for senior learners to engage with the topic of sustainable water use from a global and local perspective.
The session engaged a large and active group of 51 participants from the Universidade Sénior de Gondomar (Senior University of Gondomar), who connected international examples of water use with their own municipality. The exercise of proposing good local examples for Gondomar encouraged participants to reflect on water-related practices in their own community and to take an active role in identifying solutions relevant to their territory.
The event confirmed the relevance of intergenerational and locally-rooted approaches to civic participation on water-related issues. The strong attendance and active engagement of participants demonstrated the interest of senior citizens in the topic and their capacity to contribute meaningful insights to the AQUATIK-EU project's goals.
Overall, the activity contributed directly to the objectives of the AQUATIK-EU project by strengthening community awareness on sustainable water use, fostering civic participation among senior learners, and promoting locally-grounded reflection on water governance and good practices.

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[4] - [Fons Mallorquí de Solidaritat i Cooperació] ([Fons Mallorqui])
PIC number:	PIC Fons Mallorquí 894163170 PIC Municipality of Alaró 877703628
Project name and acronym:	Aquatik-EU: valorisation of Aquatic heritages in Europe [Aquatik - EU]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	8
Event name:	Water in the Mediterranean
Type:	Roundtable
In situ/online:	*In situ*
Location:	Spain, Palma
Date(s):	04 June 2026
Website(s) (if any):	https://www.alda-europe.eu/aquatik/
Participants	
Female:	38
Male:	19
Non-binary:	
From country 1 [Spain]:	55
From country 2 [Libanon]:	2
From country 3 [name]:	

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Total number of participants:	55 (+ 2 from non–EU countries)	From total number of countries:	1 (+ 1 non–EU country)

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

On June 4, 2026, a participatory round table titled "Water in the Mediterranean" was held in Mallorca bringing together a Director General of Water Resources, a representative from the regional government, the Mayor of Alaró, a representative from Lebanese municipalities (Cités Unies Lebanon), and a university researcher specializing in Mediterranean water systems, along with citizens and local stakeholders.

The round table was strategically designed as a direct response to eight critical challenges identified during the participatory diagnostic session in Alaró (WP7 of the Aquatik-EU Project): water system invisibility, misaligned responsibility distribution, lack of consumption awareness, structural losses, equity tensions, cultural loss, tariff conflicts, and disconnection from ecosystems.

The Director General of Water Resources contributed to the event by providing a historical perspective on 50 years of water management decisions showing how past choices had created current problems, emphasizing that the crisis was not technical but required fundamental reconsideration of what kind of society Mallorca wanted to become.

The Mayor of Alaró also gave his perspective by articulating the political impossibility of local solutions without structural change, revealing the tension between citizen demands for water access and the reality of scarcity, while questioning why large consumers (tourism, agriculture) escaped the same scrutiny as households.

Another relevant contribution came from the Lebanon governance model. The Lebanese representative brought a comparative governance perspective, demonstrating that when state institutions are weak, communities self-organize into networks of municipalities that make collective water decisions at watershed scale, creating participatory capacity and commitment through distributed decision-making.

The University of the Balearic Islands researcher situated local challenges within Mediterranean-wide patterns, explaining water as part of ecosystems rather than merely as a consumption resource, and advocating for closing cycles through reuse and regenerative systems thinking.

Finally, the visual facilitator captured the entire dialogue graphically, making visible the invisible water system through a mural showing interconnections between actors, problems, tensions, and solutions, transforming abstract complexity into comprehensible visual representation.

GOVERNANCE CONCLUSIONS (Part 1)
Key governance conclusions emerged: participatory governance is not optional but essential for legitimate and sustainable water management; decision-making must shift from top-down expert models to collaborative processes where citizens, municipalities, researchers, and officials dialogue as equal knowledge-holders; governance must operate at watershed scale rather than administrative boundaries.

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GOVERNANCE CONCLUSIONS (Part 2)
Additional governance insights revealed that responsibility for water sustainability must be distributed fairly across all consumer sectors (household, agricultural, industrial, tourism), that transparency about consumption and decision-making is fundamental, and that communities already possess wisdom that institutional experts must learn from rather than replace.

The round table demonstrated that water governance transformation requires simultaneous change across three dimensions - infrastructure (technical systems), governance (inclusive decision-making processes), and consciousness (cultural shift toward water as precious common good) - and that creating spaces for genuine dialogue between citizens, local leaders, researchers, and international partners is the first essential step toward systemic change in Mediterranean water futures.

KEY GOVERNANCE THEMES:

- Participatory governance as essential, not optional
- Shift from top-down expert models to collaborative decision-making
- Watershed-scale governance replacing administrative boundaries
- Fair distribution of responsibility across all consumer sectors
- Transparency and community knowledge as fundamental
- Simultaneous change in infrastructure, governance, and consciousness required

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
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