

Water and sanitation are a human right!

Water is a public good, not a commodity. We invite the European Commission to propose legislation implementing the human right to water and sanitation as recognised by the United Nations, and promoting the provision of water and sanitation as essential public services for all. The EU legislation should require governments to ensure and to provide all citizens with sufficient and clean drinking water and sanitation. We urge that:

1. The EU institutions and Member States be obliged to ensure that all inhabitants enjoy the right to water and sanitation.
 2. Water supply and management of water resources not be subject to 'internal market rules' and that water services are excluded from liberalisation.
- The EU increases its efforts to achieve universal access to water and sanitation.

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Reggio Emilia city towards re-municipalisation of water

Monday, December 17th, the City Council of Reggio Emilia has approved a statement that brings the Emilian town near the re-municipalisation of the water service and represents another example for the rest of Italy.

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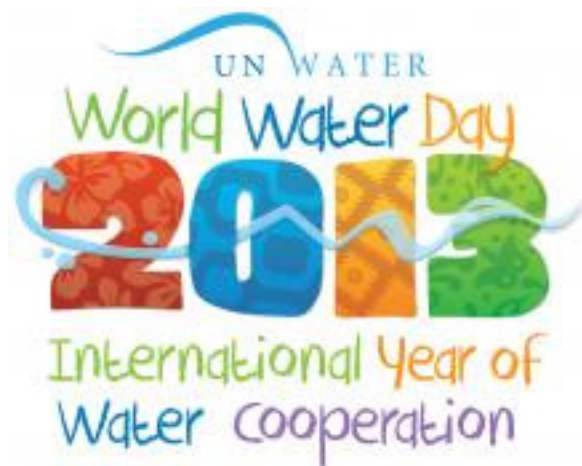


Municipal company of Karlsruhe supports the ECI

(22 January) Stadtwerke Karlsruhe in Germany calls on citizens to support the European Citizens' Initiative for the human right to water and sanitation and against liberalisation of water services in Europe.

2013 is the International Year of Water Cooperation

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Happy new year! While still recovering from celebrations, let us remind ourselves that 2013 has been declared the “United Nations International Year of Water Cooperation”. The decision was made in 2010, with Resolution A/RES/65/154, and calls on UNESCO to coordinate the year’s activities, by virtue of its multidisciplinary approach bridging natural and social sciences, education, culture and communication.

Bearing in mind the linkage with the Millennium Development Goals, the 2013 World Water Day, on March 22nd, will also be dedicated to water cooperation, with the aim of raising awareness on the need to increase international cooperation in the field of water and on the challenges currently faced by water management, especially in respect of water access, allocation and services.

During 2013, several activities and events will be organised all over the world, highlighting the history of effective water cooperation initiatives and dealing with topics such as water education, water diplomacy, trans boundary water management, national and international water frameworks.

Our European Citizens' Initiative is an example of cooperation for implementing the human right to water and sanitation in European law.

Be part of the international year of water cooperation and be part of the ECI.

Looking forward to celebrating the World Water day, happy new Year of Water Cooperation to us all!