



NO MICROPLASTICS, JUST WAVES.

Online-Seminar on Microplastics in Lakes – The LIFE Blue Lakes Project

Partner Event within the EU Green Week 2022

When? 30th May 2022, 10:00 – 12:00 h CET

Where? Online via ZOOM



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Programme – LIFE Blue Lakes Seminar – EU Green Week Partner Event

10:00	Moderation and Welcoming: <i>Udo Gattenlöhner, Global Nature Fund</i>
10:05	No microplastics, just waves – The LIFE Blue Lakes project <i>Elisa Scocchera, Legambiente, Italy</i>
10:20	The Lake Paper – Recommendations for communities in Italy and Germany <i>Chiara Braschi, Legambiente, Italy</i>
10:35	A standard monitoring protocol for microplastic pollution in lakes <i>Maria Sighicelli, Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA), Italy and Valentina Della Bella, Environmental Protection Agency of Umbria (ARPA UMBRIA), Italy</i>
10:50	Microplastics in municipal drinking and wastewater treatment plants <i>Prof. Francesco Fatone, Polytechnic University Marche, Italy</i>
11:05	Involve businesses, NGOs and people to actively engage in the prevention of microplastics <i>Bettina Schmidt, Global Nature Fund, Germany</i>
11:20	Q&A and discussion
11:50	Closing session
12:00	End of event

Registration

The participation in the event is free of charge. A registration is necessary. The number of participants is limited. Please register for the event under the following link:
<https://www.globalnature.org/en/home/events/registration-for-life-blue-lakes-partner-event-eu-green-week>

Event platform

Online via Zoom. You will receive the dial-in link by e-mail after registration.





EU Green Week 2022 - 30 May to 5 June 2022.

EU Green Week is an annual opportunity to debate European environmental policy with policymakers, leading environmentalists and stakeholders from Europe and beyond. This year's edition focuses on the European Green Deal - the EU's sustainable and transformative growth strategy for a resource-efficient and climate-neutral Europe by 2050.

Further information on the EU Green Week 2022 is available at:

https://ec.europa.eu/environment/eu-green-week-2022_en

The LIFE Blue Lakes Project

The current state of science on the topic of microplastics in water bodies requires further research. This is why seven partner organisations, led by the Italian NGO Legambiente, have launched the EU-Life project "Blue Lakes" on this complex issue.

The LIFE Blue Lakes project contributes to the reduction of microplastics in lakes in Europe. The increasing contamination with microplastics has long-lasting negative effects on lake ecosystems and their unique biodiversity. The measures are implemented exemplarily at Italian and German lakes. The measures are aimed at local authorities, businesses, and the communities in the lake regions. Results and experiences will be made available to organisations at other lakes in Europe that are engaged in lake protection.

A special focus is on developing concrete recommendations for action for municipalities, elaborating a white paper for lakes, conducting a dialogue with relevant economic sectors and to raise awareness among consumers on how to reduce the consumption of plastics and microplastics in everyday life. Methods for monitoring microplastics and more efficient technologies for filtering microplastics in wastewater treatment plants will be developed and a broad transfer of knowledge to relevant experts will be ensured. Moreover, the project contributes to achieving the objectives of the European strategy for plastics as foreseen in the transition process towards a circular economy.

Further information on the LIFE Blue Lakes Project is available on the project website:

<https://lifebluelakes.eu/en/>

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