

Highlights from key events

PRIMA Project Day 1 – 2 October, 2025 | Barcelona, Spain



WEFE4MED had a strong presence at the PRIMA Partnership Project Day in Barcelona, securing a dedicated presentation and poster during Cafe Scientifique, an important visibility opportunity among PRIMA-funded initiatives. Partners presented the progress in building the WEFE Nexus Community of Practice (CoP) and ongoing activities such as the twinning-exchange programme and the WEFE4MED Nexus Award, reinforcing the project's collaborative approach to innovation and knowledge sharing in the Mediterranean.

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8th Cairo Water Week 12 – 16 October, 2025 Cairo, Egypt

6th Annual Conference on Water Finance and Investment
13 –14 October, 2025



Organized under the framework of Cairo Water Week 2025, the conference gathered high-level representatives from across the Euro-Mediterranean region to discuss the UfM Recommendations on Water Finance and explore the role of domestic, public, and international banks in financing WASH and WEFE Nexus projects. GWP-Med, represented by Executive Secretary Vangelis Constantianos, played an active role in the discussions, chairing and contributing to sessions on engaging commercial and international development banks. The sessions explored how financial institutions can support water resilience and the implementation of the UfM Recommendations on Water Finance in alignment with the WEFE Nexus approach.

You can see the full article below:

<https://south.euneighbours.eu/news/largest-ever-mediterranean-conference-on-water-finance-calls-for-increased-bank-investments-in-water-resilience/>

One Water Project – Final Wrap-Up Meeting 13 October, 2025



The session consolidated outcomes from the One Water Project's regional dialogues across the Mashreq, Maghreb, Balkans, and Egypt, shaping a unified Mediterranean vision for water security. It presented key findings, shared challenges, and cooperation opportunities, while providing concrete inputs to the Euro-Mediterranean Water Forum (Rome, 2026), which will mark the closure of the WEFE4MED project phase and serve as a platform to consolidate its outcomes and lessons learned. The session also featured the active participation of the Global Water Partnership – Mediterranean (GWP-Med) and the Arab Water Council (AWC), both key organizing partners of the upcoming Euro-Med Forum.

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Towards a Water-Resilient Mediterranean: Solutions from Local Authorities – Conference 16 October, 2025 | Barcelona, Spain



The WEFE4MED project, represented by its partner MedCities, contributed to the conference Towards a Water-Resilient Mediterranean: Solutions from Local Authorities by participating in a panel on “The Nexus Between Water, Energy, Food and Ecosystems in Urban Water Management”. The discussion explored the interconnections between sectors and showcased the WEFE Nexus as an effective governance approach for integrated water management. Highlighting the role of WEFE4MED Community of Practice (NCoP) and policy briefs in promoting multisectoral collaboration. Organized by MedCities, the Mediterranean Institute of Water (IME), and AVITEM, the event brought together regional actors and local authorities to advance a collective Mediterranean voice towards the Euro-Mediterranean Water Forum (Rome, 2026) and the World Water Forum (Riyadh, 2027).

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Mediterranean Stakeholder Forum on Environment and Climate Action 21 October, 2025, Cairo



MedCities Secretary General Mr. Josep Canals Molina emphasized the importance of adopting an integrated Water Energy Food Environment (WEFE) Nexus approach to address shared Mediterranean challenges. The session showcased how cross-sectoral collaboration and behavioral change are key to advancing sustainable governance and resilience across the region, fully aligning with WEFE4MED's mission to foster nexus-based solutions and policy dialogue in the Mediterranean.

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Training and Knowledge Sharing

Three e-learning modules developed under the WEFE4MED capacity-building activity are now live on the CAWTAR e-learning platform, with a fourth module on gender currently under development.


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Learn about WEFE4MED and Join the NCoP

The PRIMA-supported WEFE4MED project (2026–2022) aims to foster the adoption of a WEFE (Water–Energy–Food–Ecosystems) Nexus approach to confront the climatic and environmental challenges facing societies and agro-ecological systems, through a Nexus Community of Practice (NCoP).

Committed to co-creating an inclusive, diverse and participatory platform for collaborative work, the Med NCoP connects scientists, policymakers, practitioners, entrepreneurs and innovators to exchange knowledge and drive innovation in WEFE solutions, with emphasis on tangibles for the benefit of all people and countries across the Mediterranean.

Its Knowledge Hub provides a space for sharing demonstration cases, events, resources and opportunities to strengthen Nexus collaboration.



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This edition of WEFE4MED Monthly Highlights showcases the project's growing engagement across the Mediterranean, reflecting its active contribution to major regional dialogues and cooperation platforms. From strengthening synergies at the PRIMA Project Day to advancing the WEFE Nexus in regional water forums (Cairo Water Week) and training initiatives, October was marked by meaningful participation, knowledge exchange, and visibility across strategic Mediterranean processes.

Upcoming events and opportunities

For full access on the events and opportunities, please check the knowledge Hub link: www.wefe4med.eu/wefe/events

1–2 November | Cairo, Egypt

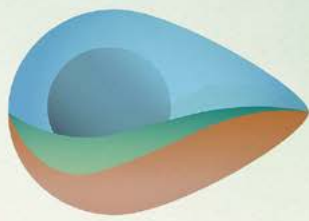
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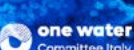
Kick-off Meeting of the EuroMediterranean Water Forum - 6th MWF

The Mediterranean Water Forum of Rome is open to Europe
Together for water security in the Mediterranean and MENA region

6– 7 November 2025
Barcelona, Spain

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WEFE4MED Schools

Planning the next series of WEFE4MED training schools, including an online school in December 2025 focused on integrating the Nexus approach into practical project design and implementation.

For updates on dates and other opportunities, follow and check the WEFE4MED Knowledge Hub.

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WEFE4MED NEXUS AWARD

A Call for Practical Demonstrations of the Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus in the Mediterranean



Launch of the call
15 SEPT 2025

Deadline for submission
30 NOV 2025





REGIONAL WEBINAR

Optimizing Desalination under Continental Drying Conditions through a WEFE Nexus Approach in the Mediterranean

25 November 2025 | 09:00–10:30 (CET)
Online – Open to all

Jointly Organized by the European Commission's JRC & WEFE4MED (NCoP),
Coordinated by The Cyprus Institute and GWP-MED

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Spotlight on Demos

FrontAg+Nexus

FrontAg Nexus – Distal Lab-Simplified Hydroponics Demo at UNIBO, Italy

The Department of Agricultural and Food Sciences and Technologies (DISTAL) of the University of Bologna (UNIBO) is working on the integration of a circular simplified hydroponics system for plant production. The hydroponics system maximizes water and energy use efficiency, and contributes to food and nutrition security of migrants and other vulnerable groups. To implement the research on sustainability and circularity of plant cultivation systems for household consumption and small business development in emerging countries. The simplified hydroponic systems also want to serve as a therapeutic and educational garden for students and disabled people.

City	Country	Start year	Focal Point
Bologna	Italy	2018	Cerasola Vito vito.cerasola@unibo.it
Total funding	End year	Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna DISTAL Department of Agricultural and Food Sciences Bologna Italy	
100 - 500k €	2026		
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