

Highlights from key events

The Regional Conference on WEFE Nexus in the Mediterranean Source-to-Sea Continuum: From Strategy to Action

24-26 February 2026 | Nicosia, Cyprus



Organized within the framework of WEFE4MED, in synergy with the GEF UNEP/MAP MedProgramme, and held under the auspices of the 2026 Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU, the Conference served as a key regional platform to strengthen cooperation, dialogue, and synergies for advancing the WEFE Nexus across the Mediterranean. The three-day event brought together policymakers, researchers, practitioners, and development partners to advance integrated WEFE Nexus solutions and climate resilience. A primary outcome was the Nicosia Accord, which sets the strategic direction for moving from strategy to implementation and highlights the need for a structured Action Framework aligned with regional processes like the Union for the Mediterranean and the Barcelona Convention.

Discussions emphasized a "Source-to-Sea" perspective to link land, freshwater, and marine systems, while specifically calling for stronger cross-sector engagement and the inclusive participation of youth and women. Participants also focused on strengthening the environment for investment by improving project bankability and encouraging transparent risk-sharing mechanisms to mobilize public and private funding.

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Webinar on AI - Driven Digital Water Systems: Strategic Digital Governance and Policy in a WEFE Nexus Approach

11 March 2026 | Online



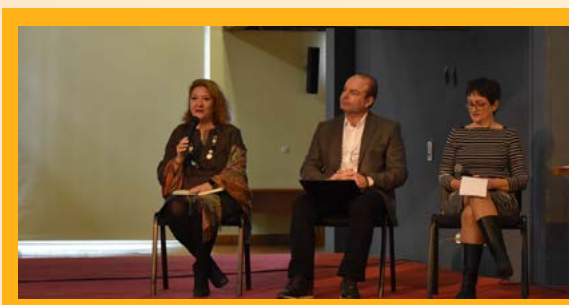
The Webinar addressed the critical need for effective policy alignment and responsible deployment of digital technologies in Mediterranean water management, and shared best practices for AI integration while shaping the upcoming Action Framework of the WEFE Nexus Strategy. Targeting policymakers, utilities, and ICT experts, the webinar served as a strategic stepping stone toward the

3rd Regional Roundtable in Rome and the 6th Euro-Mediterranean Water Forum. By fostering dialogue on digital water systems, the session provided essential updates on the regional consultation process and helped define the roadmap for digital transformation across the Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus.

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EcoFuture workshop on WEFE Nexus solutions and tools

11 March 2026 | Chania, Crete



GWP-Med on behalf of WEFE4MED participated in the EcoFuture workshop, which brought together representatives from 16 EU-funded projects working on Nexus challenges across the Mediterranean. During the event, the PRIMA Partnership WEFE Nexus Community of Practice was presented as a key platform for connecting various initiatives to exchange knowledge, experiences, and practical solutions. The concluding panel, which included perspectives from research and policy, highlighted how such platforms move beyond simple networking to provide a structured space for collaboration and the upscaling of Nexus solutions across the region.

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3rd Regional Roundtable on Digital Transformation for Advancing WEFE Nexus in the Mediterranean

23-24 March 2026 | Rome, Italy & Online



This roundtable marked the conclusion of the regional consultation process and the final event of the PRIMA ACQUAOUNT project, bringing together over 100 experts to explore how digital tools can enhance the WEFE Nexus. Participants reviewed project results showcasing how digital platforms are transforming irrigation and basin-level decision-making, with real-world insights shared from pilot areas in Tunisia, Lebanon, Jordan, and Sardinia. The recurring theme of the event was that digitalization is no longer optional; it is a cornerstone for transparency, efficiency, and informed decision-making in water management. The roundtable also served to shape recommendations for the Action Framework of the Mediterranean Nexus Strategy through a collective SWOT analysis.

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Water and Energy for Food 2.0 MENA programme

8 April 2026 | Online



Missed the live informational session? Watch the full recording below. The Video will walk you through everything you need to know about the WE4F 2.0 MENA Call for Innovations, including eligibility criteria for Track 1 and Track 2, the application process, key dates, and a live Q&A with the WE4F team.

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Upcoming events and opportunities

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

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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FAO Elearning Academy: The water-energy-food-ecosystem nexus in agriculture

This six-lesson course explores how integrated resource management across the water-energy-food-ecosystems (WEFE) nexus in agriculture enhances water security, strengthens resilient and sustainable food systems, promotes responsible resource use and supports climate change adaptation and mitigation.



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Spotlight on Demos



The Sama Al Sarhan Model as a Beacon of the WEFE Nexus Approach

In the heart of the North-East Badia Highlands lies Sama Al Sarhan, a pioneering facility under the Smart DESERT Project, implemented by Greentech. The project embodies the Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus approach, addressing interconnected challenges in water, energy, and food security while promoting ecosystem preservation and socio-economic development.

Serving as a pilot for three years, Sama Al Sarhan supports Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanians through agricultural innovation and livelihood opportunities. The initiative is part of a broader effort that includes 500 agricultural home-based businesses and 200 farms across the North-East Badia Highlands, directly contributing to 1,224 employment opportunities and training approximately 15,000 farmers and young entrepreneurs in smart agriculture, renewable energy, and water management.

The Sama Al Sarhan agricultural cluster is part of a network of 58 interconnected agricultural units covering ~60,000 m², integrating greenhouse systems with solar energy and water harvesting technologies to optimize year-round cultivation. Through clustering of agricultural units, Greentech maximizes efficiency and promotes sustainable farming techniques. Seasoned agriculture experts guide beneficiaries in energy-efficient and resource-conscious farming practices.

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Mafraq	Jordan	2020	 Dina Abu Arida dina@greentech.ae French development agency
Total funding		End year	
+5M €		2023	

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 Française de Développement (AFD)

Nexus Dimensions



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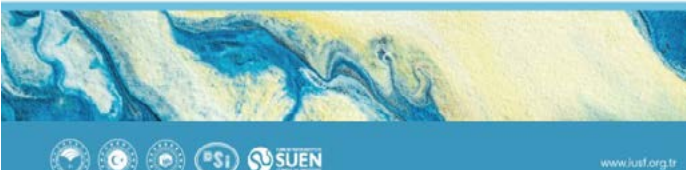
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The PRIMA-supported WEFE4MED project (2026-2022) aims to foster the adoption of a WEFE (Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems) Nexus approach to confront the climatic and environmental challenges facing societies and agro-ecological systems, through a Nexus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

Committed to co-creating an inclusive, diverse and participatory platform for collaboration, the Med NCoP connects stakeholders, 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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