



## PROJECT INFORMATION

### Establishment of a professional dialogue about EU-requirements of wastewater treatment

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Storage of sludge in the central wastewater treatment plant of the capital Chisinau (Geotubes)

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**Target country/region:** Republic of Moldova

**Duration:** 10/2015 – 02/2016

**Beneficiary:** Ministry of Environment of Moldova

**Implementing organisations:** aqua consult, Spelleken Assoc., together with the Association of Communal Employers, Chisinau

**Project number:** 61648

## Background

The Moldovan Ministry of Environment and the mayors and county presidents of the Republic of Moldova have manifested interest in an innovative, energy efficient and practically feasible wastewater treatment. An analysis of the project partners had analysed the given circumstances of the Moldovan wastewater treatment and described the need for a professional dialogue between decision-makers and experts including a retraining perspective.

## Project details

Objectives of this project were a) the comprehensive and objective information about energy efficient wastewater treatment and the use of sludge and other organic material in Moldova, b) the institutionalisation and continuous development of a creative and critical technical dialogue about modern wastewater treatment plants and its impact for the process of environmental reforms towards EU-regulations and c) the vitalisation of a culture of discussion amongst the national institutions, including a qualification format, comparable with the German approach of "Wastewater treatment neighbourhoods".

Generally, the project aimed to motivate the Moldovan institutions to adopt the requested EU-standards, especially regarding an effective wastewater treatment. Necessary innovative measures for the modernisation of process engineering as well as the construction of new wastewater treatment plants were escorted by giving advice and training. The project contributed to the implementation of modern solutions for wastewater in Moldova.

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