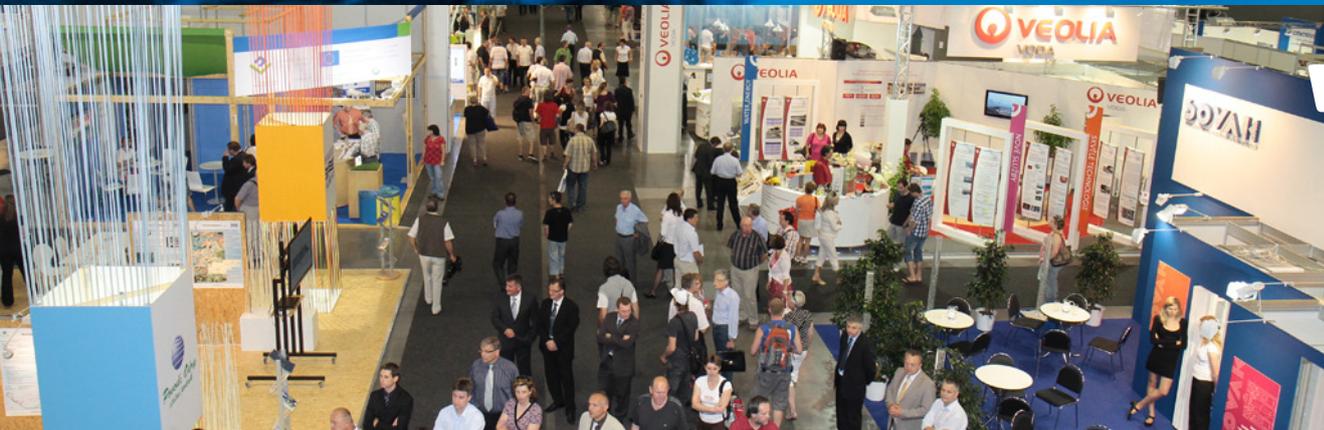




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WATENVI and Flood Protection Brno 2011 Statistics

Exhibitors

Number of participating companies **201**

Number of participating countries **13***

* Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Slovakia, Spain and USA

Exhibition area

Net exhibition area (in m²) **8.613**

Visitors

Total number of visitors **6.448**

Number of countries **23****

** Australia, Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Ecuador, France, Germany, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Netherlands, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine and USA

VODOVODY – KANALIZACE 2011
Organizer



Central European
Exhibition Centre



BVV



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Brno

A LOOK BACK AT THE WATENVI 2011 TRADE FAIR



This year's International Water Management and Ecological Fair WATENVI was held in the modern Hall P in the spring (as has become traditional) from the 24th to 26th May.

WATENVI is comprised of the 17th International Water Management Exhibition VODOVODY-KANALIZACE (organised by the Water Supply and Sewerage Association of the Czech Republic) and the 17th International Environmental Fair ENVIBRNO. A traditional part of the fair is its expert programme which was devoted primarily to new developments in financing and new legislation in water and waste management.

The expert programme

New legislation in water management

The latest amendment to the Water Law (150/2010 Sb.) effective from 1 August 2010 brought fundamental changes in areas falling within the competence of the Ministry of the Environment and the Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic. The amendment has attempted to respond to difficulties that have long been indicated by application practice and completed the transposition of the General Guideline on Waters and other associated guidelines.

Water management infrastructure in the Czech Republic and opportunities for financing

Programmes of financing, calls for applications and details on the drawing of financial means from the Operational Programme "Environment" were presented, as were current amendments and amendments in preparation to the law on public orders and their impact on water and sewer mains, current issues in contractual relations between the owners and operators of water management infrastructure, and the selection of operators of water and sewer mains. The XXVII call for applications for subsidies from the Operational Programme "Environment", priority axis 1.3. – Reducing the Risk of Flooding, is now open, and another is planned for September–October of this year. 112 projects from all over the Czech Republic have already been submitted, with subsidies being requested primarily by municipal authorities, alliances of local authorities and regional authorities.

Waste

The application of legal regulations in specific cases of waste management was the subject of the seminar Information on Changes to Waste Management Legislation, which also featured lectures on topical issues in the use of waste assessment from the Waste Management Centre. All the experts are currently inclined to think of waste as a useable raw material. The specialists provided information about the tools necessary for appraising the properties of waste and about regulations, methodical directives and guides in this area.

Waste 2011... And What Now – Waste is Energy

This seminar was devoted to the use of waste for energy at incineration plants. The Czech Republic must completely reassess its approach to the use of waste for energy, as it can certainly not afford to do without such technologies. The information available indicates that it is realistic that facilities for the use of waste for energy could be built in the Moravian Silesian Region and Plzeň Region with the help of means from the existing Operational Programme "Environment" in the years 2015–2017.

Demonstrations of flood prevention measures in front of Hall Z

The traditional practical demonstrations of flood prevention measures in the specially adapted Hall Z comprised part of the fair's expert programme. The Ministry of the Environment was represented on the exposition stand of the Czech Flood Protection Association by the pool in front of Hall Z, and informed visitors of the current situation in flood protection in the Czech Republic.

