

EWA Standing Committees

The European and Technical Scientific Committee (ETSC)

Description: the ETSC provides a unique European point for the discussion, the exchange and evaluation of knowledge and information, and the comparison and definition of positions on key technical-scientific issues and aspects affecting water, wastewater and the related environment at the European level.

Main Tasks and objectives:

- To organize one to two focused workshops per year on current important topics in combination with an ETSC meetings when possible. The organization of the focused workshop(s) should be done by the members of the ETSC with support of the EWA Secretariat
- To prepare a report the organized during the year focus workshop(s). This will be published in the EWA Yearbook.
- To prepare the program for the EWA International Symposium taking place during IFAT
- To support the EWA Spring Conference
- Support the program committee of the Joint EWA/JSWA/WEF Conference
- To identify the Dunbar Medal Winner and propose this to the MC/Council
- To find and bring together project partners

The European Policy Committee (EPC)

Description: The committee follows the work of the European Commission and arranges regular meetings with officials in the Commission, responsible for activities of relevance to water management. The committee gives comments and advice to official European institutions on behalf of its members. The EWA is attending meetings of the Strategic Co-ordination Group under the WFD Common Implementation Strategy. Furthermore the EWA is in close contact with other European associations and institutions.

Main Tasks and objectives:

- Organise and coordinate relationships of EWA with European level bodies
- Facilitate and create the necessary and useful flows of information between EWA members and European Institutions
- Identify emerging issues and important trends in water related European policies and issues
- In coordination with ETSC, propose thematic activities and actions of EWA.

Members of the EPC will get:

- direct information of European strategies/ regulations with the pro's and the contra's
- continuous information on the working of the other partners within the Water Alliance Group
- -direct contact with EU-officials and MEP's
- opportunity to participate at the EWA-strategies and Manifesto's