



CETAQUA
NETWORK OF TECHNOLOGY CENTRES
BARCELONA

SUSTAINABLE
MANAGEMENT
OF WATER IN
URBAN AREAS

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ABOUT
CETAQUA

About Cetaqua

Cetaqua, as a **water technology center** of reference at national and international level, is able to create value within the **Suez Group** in the knowledge generation and technologies development and validation related to the water cycle.



BARCELONA
Founded in 2007 with the following founding members:



ANDALUCÍA
Foundation that began operations in 2014, with the following founding partners:



GALICIA
Foundation created in 2011 with the following founding partners:



8
M€

94
Researchers

76
Projects

R&D programmes



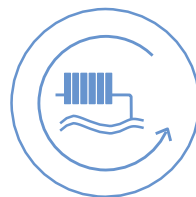
MANAGEMENT OF ALTERNATIVE WATER RESOURCES AND REUSE

Drinking water treatment
technologies

Water Reuse

Preservation of groundwater and
aquifer recharge

Climate services and watershed
management



SANITATION AND VALORIZATION

Aerobic treatments

Anaerobic digestion

Add-on wastewater treatment
processes

Recovery and valorization of energy
& resources

Treatment and recovery of gases &
odours



SUSTAINABILITY

Circular economy

Enviromental and socio-economic
impacts and risks

Management of demands and
customers

Natural environment and biodiversity



QUALITY

Advanced control of microorganisms

Advanced chemical compound
control

Impact on customers and
environment



WATER 4.0

Smart solutions: IOT & Smart cities

Big Data & Data Analytics



NETWORKS

Monitoring, automation and control

Smart Operations

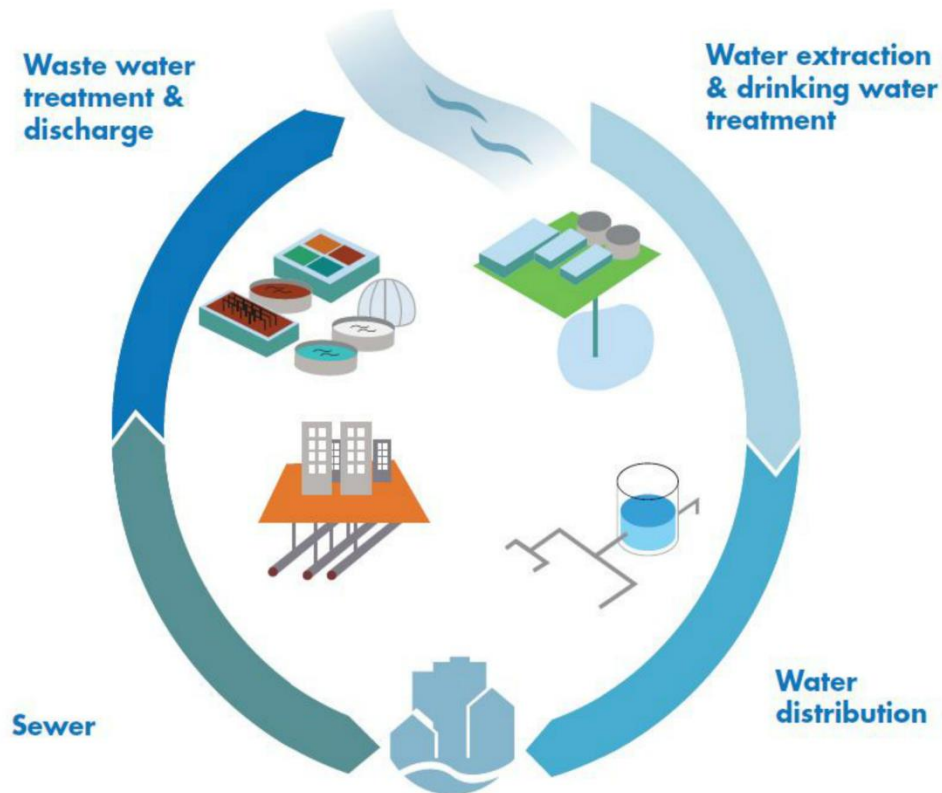
Smart Asset Management

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SUSTAINABLE URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT

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Urban water cycle management

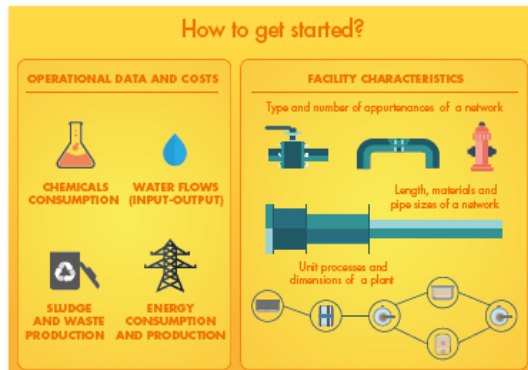
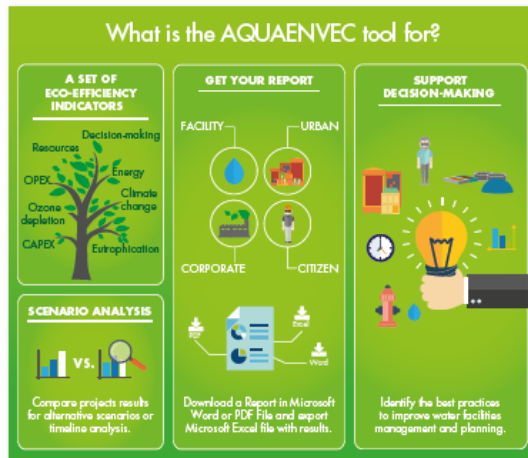
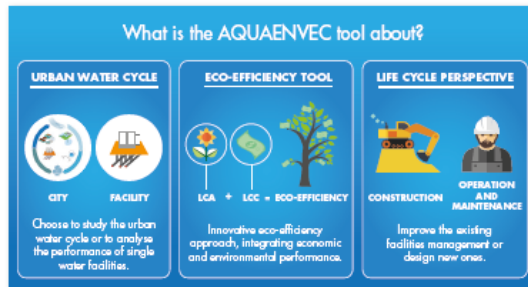


An eco-efficient urban water management assures water supply and wastewater treatment while it limits its environmental impact and minimises the associated costs.

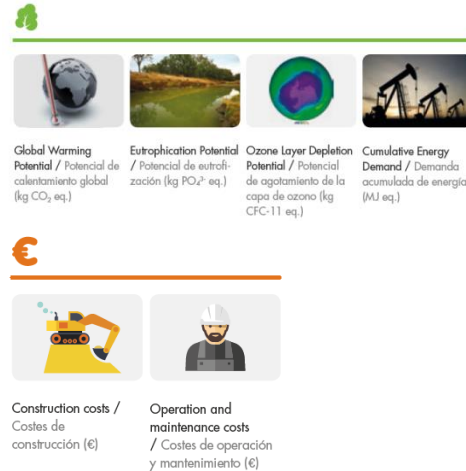
Carbon footprint, Water footprint, Life Cycle Analysis, Life Cycle Costing, Cost-Benefit Analysis, Social Life Cycle Assessment, Ecosystem services, Circular economy

Aquaenvec tool for eco-efficiency assessment

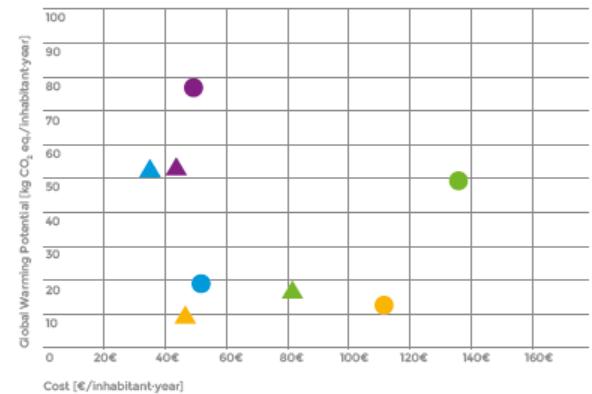
Aquaenvec tool



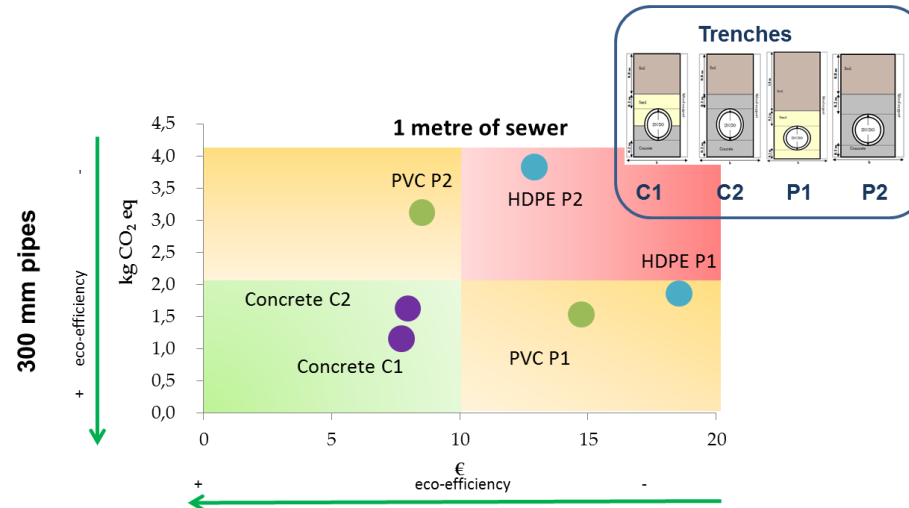
Environmental and economic indicators



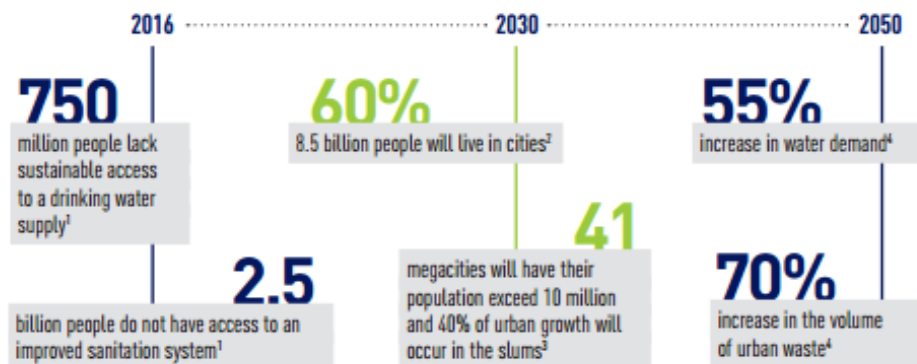
Urban water cycle eco-efficiency portfolio / Mapa de eco-eficiencia del ciclo urbano del agua



■ Drinking water treatment ■ Sewer network ○ Calafell
■ Supply network ■ Wastewater treatment △ Betanzos



Suez - Circular Economy



ready for the resource revolution



circular



concrete



collaborative

this revolution is circular

it enables us to secure and recover resources essential for our future, with the vision of a world of unlimited resources.

this revolution is concrete

it is made possible daily through solutions and innovations that optimise resources management, for both water and waste.

this revolution is collaborative

it calls upon all those who contribute, each in their own way, to imagine and design the future of resources.

commitment

n°3

multiply by 2 the volume of plastics recycled by 2020

- Development of partnerships with plastic-intensive industries with a view to co-building "made-to-measure" solutions producing high-quality recycled plastic.

commitment

n°4

increase by 10% the production of renewable energy by 2020

- Production of 5.1 TWh of electricity and heat from waste and wastewater in 2014.
- Increase of the capacity to produce biogas from the treatment of waste and wastewater by 30% to 50% by 2020.

commitment

n°6

promote the different usages of water by multiplying by 3 our alternative water production capacity

- 800 million m³ of treated wastewater reused in 2014.
- Multiplication of the uses of water before it is released into the natural ecosystem for irrigation or to replenish water tables. Seawater desalination solutions.

commitment

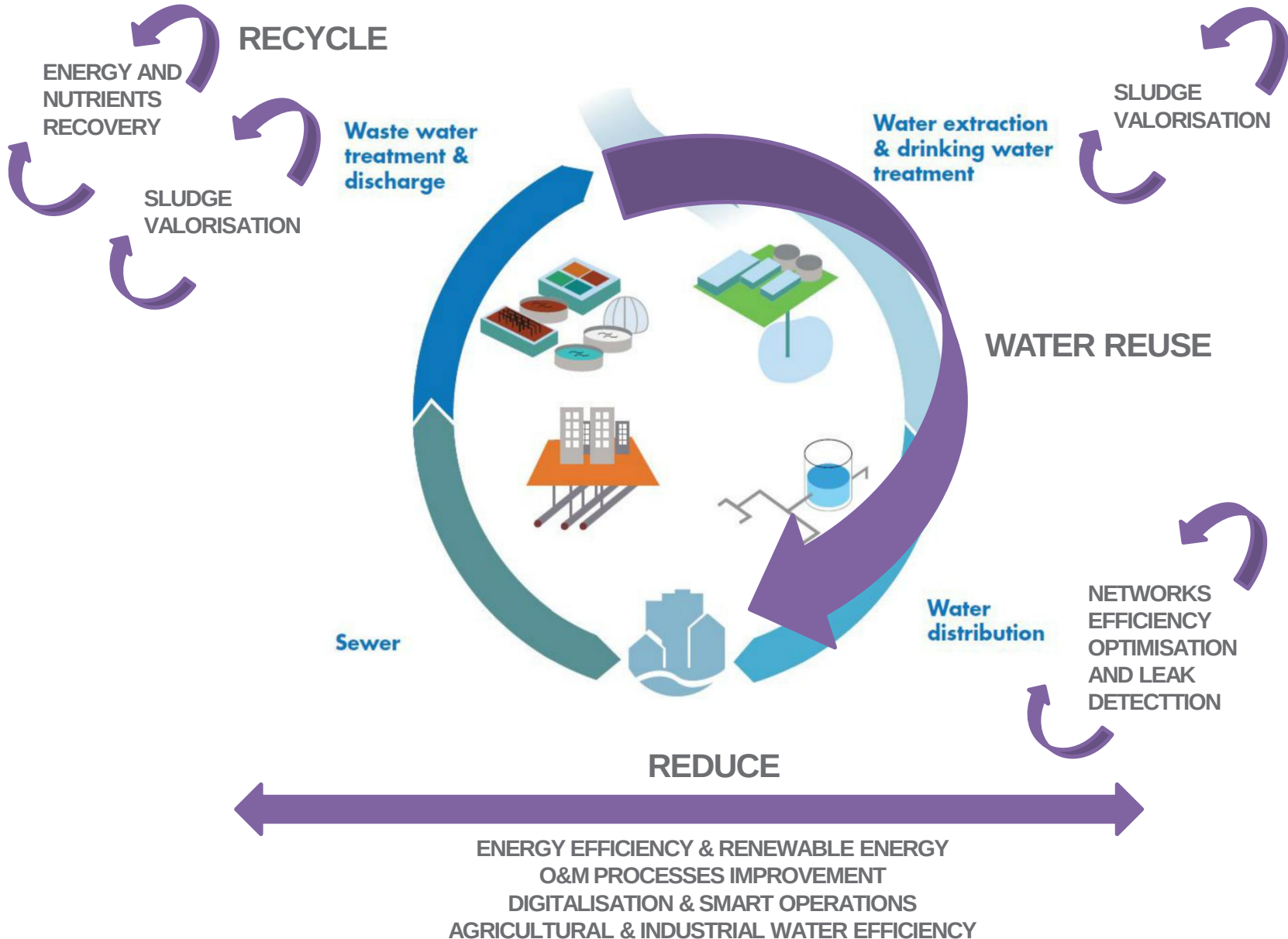
n°7

save the equivalent of the consumption of a city of 2 million inhabitants by 2020

- Development of smart technologies applied to the control of consumption and improvement of the performance of drinking water distribution networks.

Circular economy – Water cycle

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EMASAGRA Granada (Spain)

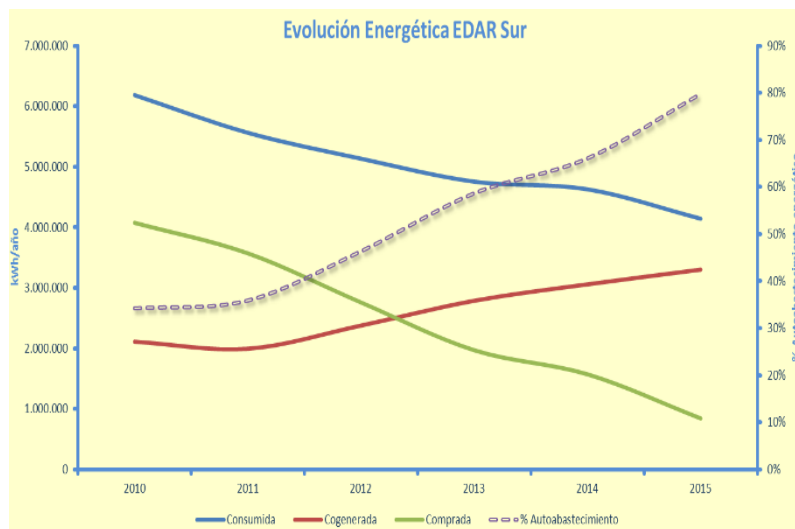
Goal 2020 0 Waste & 0 Energy



MAIN GOAL 2020: be 100% self-sufficient and transfer the excess of energy to the grid

The major goal of EMASAGRA is to implement a transformation of the current model, developing actions focused on attaining the **reuse of water, the generation of energy, as well as the recovery of the main waste produced in the WWTP.**

Achievements in energy self-sufficiency 2010-2015 in WWTP “SUR”



WASTE

➤ 100% of sands recovered

Recovery of sands removed from the WWTP pre-treatment and the rest of the sanitation system, such as the sewerage.

➤ 29% of greases recovered

Greases are recovered by a digestion process, and finally used as compost or direct application to agriculture.

ENERGY

➤ 46.44% reduction of energy purchase in WWTP “Sur”

Charging station facility (700 L diesel savings)
Microturbines producing 750kWh from water power.

80% energy self-sufficiency in WWTP “Sur”.

EMASAGRA Granada (Spain)

Electrostation: From waste to energy



Since November 2015, we have had electric car chargers in the WWTP “Sur”, with three points of connection for electric vehicles. In addition, EMASAGRA acquired 3 electric vehicles. All this infrastructure works with energy produced in the WWTP, from the biogas production.



Catalonia (Spain)

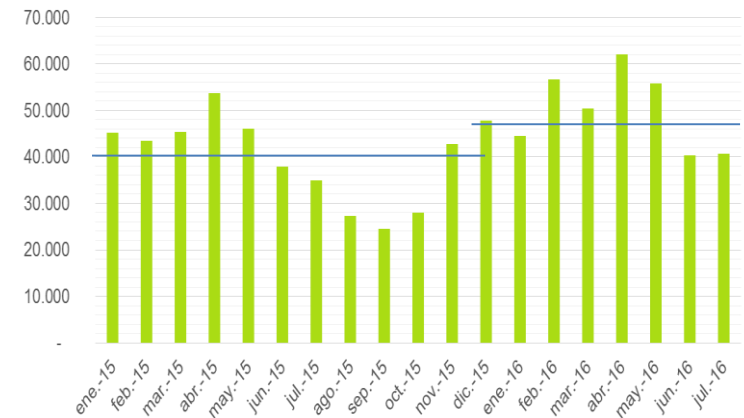
Sludge co-digestion in WWTP “Vilanova i la Geltrú”

Co-digestion is defined as the anaerobic treatment of a mixture of at least two different types of substrates with the aim of improving the efficiency of the energy generation and recovery process.

ALLOWS

- Transformation of organic waste into an energy resource.
- Operation of cogeneration processes for a longer time and increase in energy production.
- Production of surplus steam.
- Optimization of our asset use.

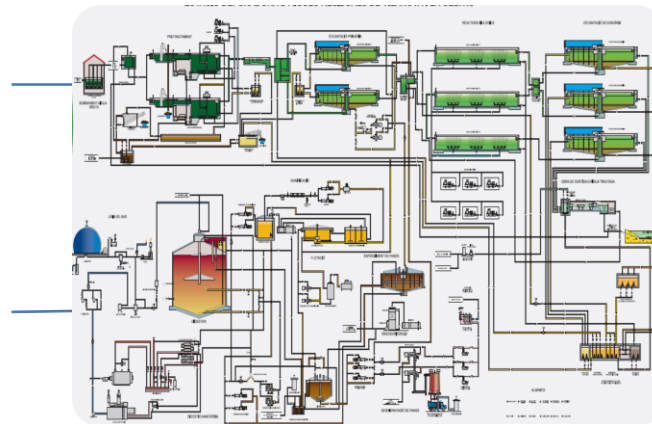
Biogas production (m3)



WWTP SLUDGE

CO-SUBSTRATE

From other surrounding industries



BIOGAS

DIGESTATE

Catalonia (Spain)

Sludge plant WWTP “Pineda”

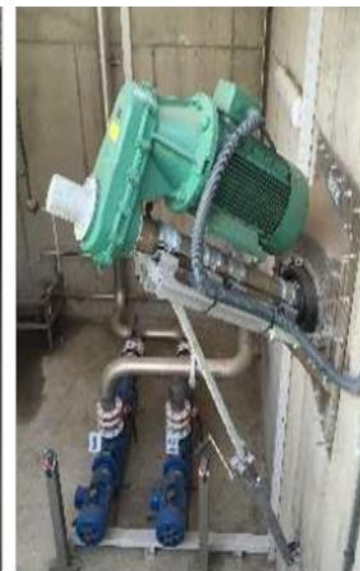


Sludge management platform consists of the adaptation of an existing sludge digestion facility so that it can receive and treat sludge from other nearby facilities. It's an environmentally and economically sustainable solution, the biogas generated can be recovered as energy and the sludge processed in the plant can be applied in agriculture.

GOAL: Consume 0 kWh/m³, having estimated a reduction of the carbon footprint for the WWTP of 792Tn CO₂/year.

BENEFITS

- Energy recovery from biogas generated.
- Global economic savings.
- Reduction of the carbon footprint for the whole sludge treatment from the generation until its final disposal.
- Decrease the sludge production for final disposal.
- Adaptation to the current sludge management regulations.



DRIVING ASSET RECOVERY

PLASTIC CYCLE

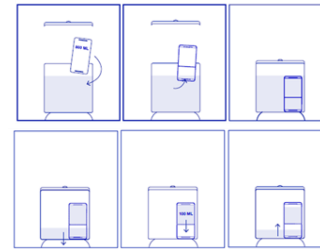
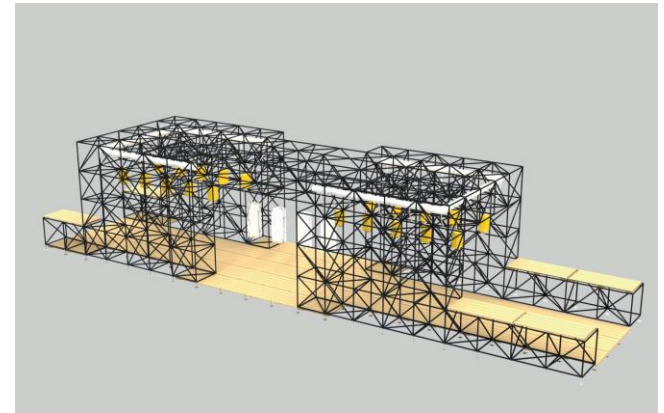
Our aim was to **explore circular economy opportunities related to our buried assets, mainly plastic pipes.**

The students worked on:

- the logistic to gather the plastic assets
- the potential treatment,
- the business profitability assessment
- the creation of a value proposition

ELISAVA

Barcelona School of
Design and Engineering



(re)cycle Suez's pipeline
Storm Drain

PAIP!



03

CASE STUDY: How can a territory
become economically circular?

Sant Feliu de Llobregat (Barcelona)



11,79 km²
43.800 inhabitants
3.707,8 inh/km²

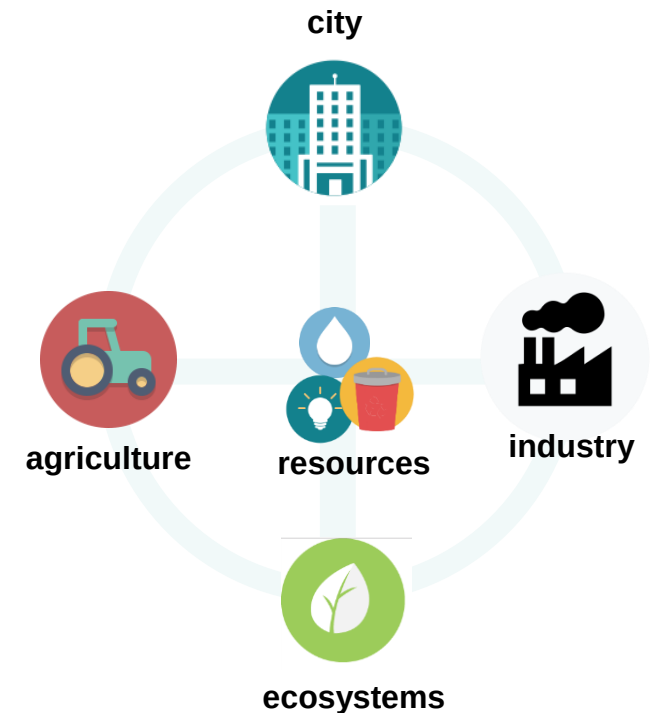
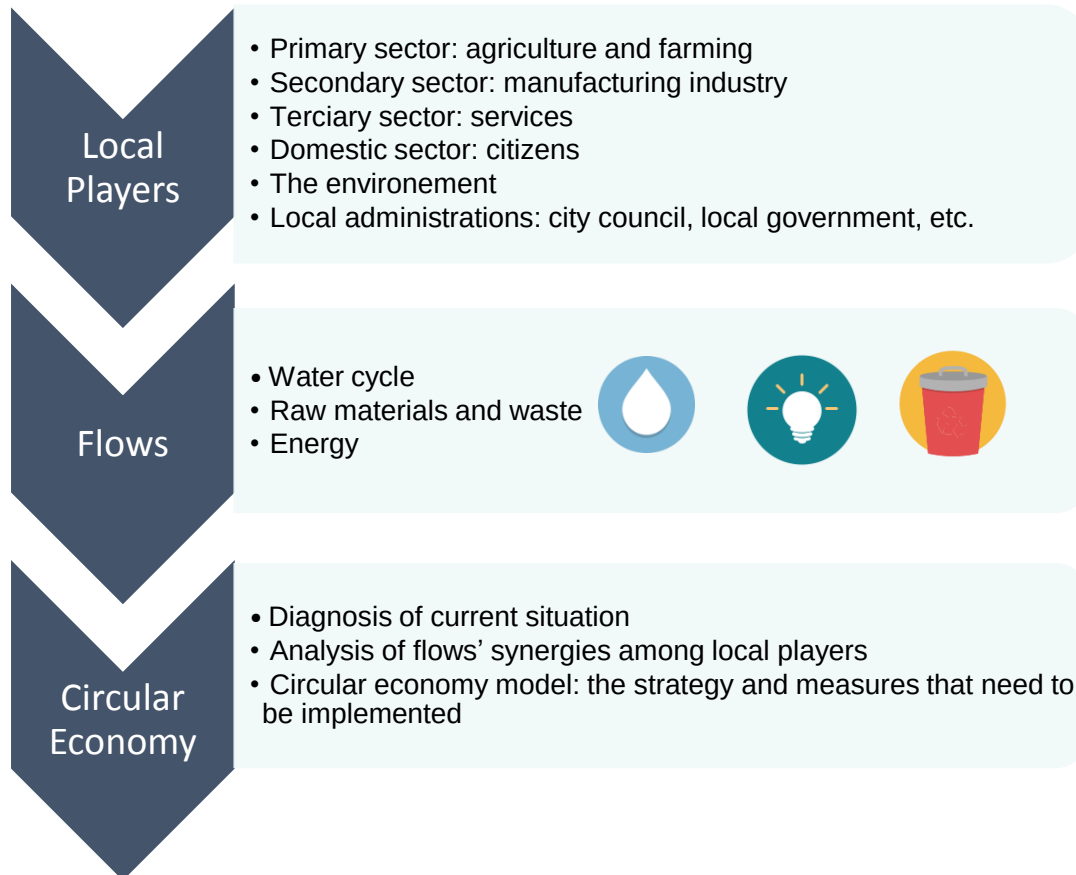


- 8 industrial areas
- Important regional agricultural area (3.348 Ha, 5% at Sant Feliu)
- 2.487 m² green areas
- Collserola Park (8.295 Ha, 7% at Sant Feliu)

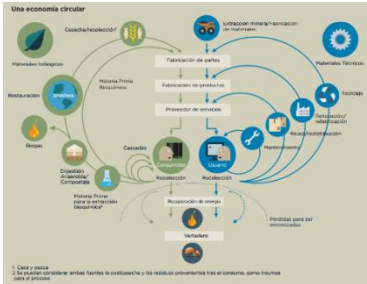


Objectives & Key players

- 1) To develop a practical guide for proposing a **Circular Economy Model** in an area
- 2) To implement this guide in a case study: **Sant Feliu de Llobregat (Barcelona)**



Data & Participants



Guidelines & Concept from Ellen Mc Arthur Foundation + Life cycle inventories focused on Water-Waste-Energy



Detection of **circular economy opportunities** for “closing the loop” through the flows’ **data analysis**

KEY PLAYERS

1. Urban services, including a focus on water cycle
2. Industrial areas and associations
3. Agricultural park (Parque Agrario del Baix Llobregat)
4. Natural areas (Parc Collserola)

PARTICIPANTS



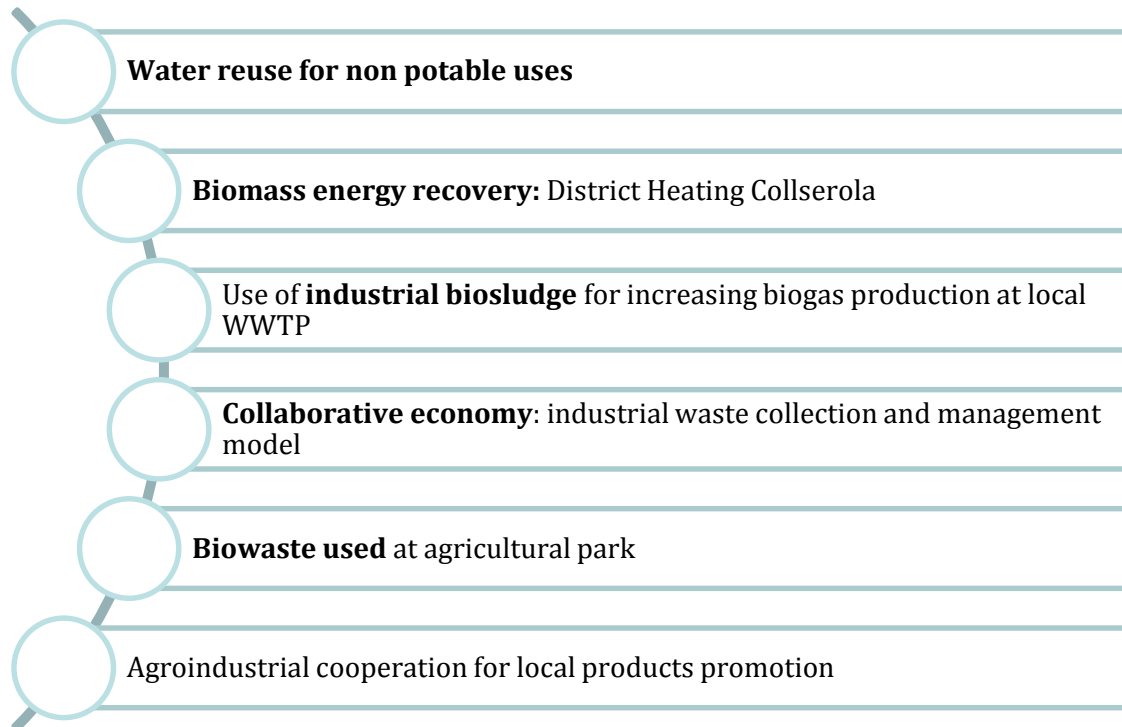
DATA

1. City council
2. Aigües de Barcelona
3. Data from participants through forms, interviews and technical visits
4. Public entities data from their reportings

Results

1) Practical guideline on how to identify **Circular Economy opportunities** into different areas

2) Package of **circular opportunities** in this area (**10 measures**), some examples are:



3) Identify **R&D gaps** and validate ideas on how to evaluate and rank circular economy opportunities from social, environmental and economic (business models involved)

Ajuntament de Sant Feliu de Llobregat	
ECONOMIA CIRCULAR A SANT FELIU DE LLOBREGAT	
Mesura	Aigües regenerades a Sant Feliu de Llobregat
Objectius	Ús de l'aigua regenerada per a usos no potables com reg de parcs i jardins, neteja dels carrers o per a usos industrials
Descripció	Usuaris i demanda potencial Estimació de la demanda d'aigües regenerades per cada actor: - Ajuntament: neteja de carrers i reg de parcs i jardins - Urbà: reg de jardins privats - Industrial: neteja de naus, refrigeració, neteja de vehicles  Xarxa de distribució d'aigües regenerades 
Agents responsables	Ajuntament de Sant Feliu de Llobregat
Agents implicats	EDAR Sant Feliu de Llobregat Agència Catalana de l'Aigua Aigües de Barcelona
Termini ☐ Curt (1 any) ☐ Mig (1 – 5 anys) ☐ Llarg (> 5 anys)	Viabilitat Social  Ambiental  Econòmica 

05 Challenges & Next steps



Our knowledge challenges on circular economy

BIG DATA
MANAGEMENT &
ANALYTICS

Many data is involved in identifying synergies on water-energy-resources by analysing input/output flows

SUSTAINABILITY
& BUSINESS
MODELS

Selection and prioritisation of opportunities should take into account social, environmental benefits and the business model involved

TECHNOLOGIES
AND SOLUTIONS

Technology readiness it is key for technical feasibility of reduce, recycle, reuse

WE DEVELOP PROJECTS, WE CREATE VALUE

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