



We are saddened to let you know that our dear colleague dr.ir. Hardy Temmink suddenly passed away on April 8. Hardy was an outstanding environmental technologist and a key person in our scientific staff. Hardy will be dearly missed by Wetsus, but also by his long-time colleagues in Wageningen and by many people from the companies and universities that cooperate in Wetsus. Our thoughts and deepest sympathy are with his partner Miriam and their son Sam, we wish them all strength needed to deal with this great loss.

## €135 million reserved for water technology innovation

The Dutch government has reserved €135 million for the innovation plan of water coalition 'De Blauwe Motor'. Wetsus is one of the architects of the 10-year plan, and is responsible for knowledge development through innovative cooperation between companies and universities. The reserved funds are derived from the National Growth Fund, with which the Dutch government allocates funding to projects which have the highest potential for structural and durable economic growth. In the coming months the water technology innovation plan will be adapted and resubmitted. Final granting of the funds is expected early 2023. If granted, Wetsus and WaterCampus Leeuwarden partners Water Alliance and CEW will be actively involved in the execution of the plan for the coming 10 years.

In the 'Blauwe Motor' coalition, 600 organizations cooperate in securing water availability in an integrated knowledge and innovation program, ranging from research to (new) entrepreneurship, to solve societal challenges and capitalize on economic opportunities.



## New Wetsus members

### JIEI

JIEI (China), the Jiangsu Yixing Institute of Environmental Industry, is a promotion agency of environmental industry. JIEI was a Wetsus platform member, and has now become a full participant of the new theme Water innovations uptake.

### Bioclear Earth

Bioclear Earth (The Netherlands) is an innovation and consultancy firm in the field of soil, water and climate. Like JIEI, Bioclear Earth has been a platform member for years. They now upgrade their involvement in Wetsus by joining the Soil theme as a full company participant.

### KEYCYCLE GmbH

KEYCYCLE (Austria), a new platform member, offers plant optimization and turnkey solutions for new projects, covering the entire plastics recycling process from sorting and washing to extrusion.

## Wetsus Congress part of EWTW 2022 meet your water tech network in Leeuwarden

On September 19 - 22, 2022, the global water technology sector will get together in Leeuwarden, the capital of water technology. During the second European Water Technology Week (EWTW 2022), business and innovation leaders from companies, universities and governments will meet and inspire each other. The first edition of EWTW attracted over 1000 participants from 38 countries. EWTW 2022 will feature the Wetsus Congress 2022, an international business program initiated by Water Alliance, the assembly of the Global Water Tech Hub Alliance and a new dedicated trade show: Water Tech Europe. Science, valorization, scale up, business development, export, entrepreneurship, policy and education: all aspects of water technology innovation will be integrated in the congress program and the trade show. At the moment, we are busy preparing an interesting program, updates and all the info: <https://www.ewtw2022.eu/>



## Dutch Junior Water Prize

Talented high school students from all over the Netherlands came to Wetsus to present their water innovation research on April 8. The junior scientists all wanted to represent the Netherlands at the international Stockholm Junior Water Prize. The prize is awarded by Swedish Crown Princess Victoria. Stockholm Junior Water Prize is a competition for students aged 15 to 20 who have developed research projects that can help solve major water challenges. The Dutch preliminary is organized by Wetsus. 2022 winners: Meinke van Oenen, Nynke Bats and Pjotr de Haan(not pictured), with their project about sodium removal from horticultural water. The SJWP finals are in August, good luck!



## In person visits back on the calendar!



After two years of virtual visits, or limited visits at 1.5-meter distance, we can finally welcome guests again at Wetsus with old fashioned hospitality and interaction! Also we can host our events again, including networking opportunities. One of the first guests was Frans Timmermans, 1st Vice President of the European Commission, accompanied by mayor Sybrand Buma. After an introduction, mr. Timmermans met some researchers and talked about their work.

## New account to follow!

In addition to our corporate Wetsus accounts on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#), we now have a dedicated research account on Twitter: [@WetsusScience](#). You can find the updates of our research topics and other interesting science news of Wetsus.

Of course our Young Wetsus team and the Wetsus Academy also operate their own social media!



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## Calender

Date: 6 May 2022: [Expeditie Next](#)

Date: 16-20 May 2022: [RecaP workshop at Wetsus](#)

Date: 16-20 May 2022: [WaterCampus Business Challenge](#)

Date: 21 May 2022: [Open door day](#)

Date: 16 June 2022: [Webinar: Applied genomics: towards routine use in water monitoring](#)

Date: 19-22 September 2022: [European Water Tech Week Leeuwarden](#)

Date: 6 October 2022: [Theme meetings](#)

Date: 13-14 October 2022: [5th International Symposium on Physics of Membrane Processes](#)

Date: 3 November 2022: [Wetsus webinar](#)

Date: 24 November 2022: [Wetsus Members Only Congress](#)