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7th ResNRJwater partner meeting

EGLV, Essen, Germany

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Tuesday, 24 November 2026, Day 1

11:30	**Registration and welcome coffee**
12:00	**Lunch**
12:45	**Plenary session (Raum Lippe)**
	Welcome *Dr. Dominik Leutnant (EGLV)*
	Current water management topics in Germany and North-Rhine Westphalia *Annika Kleinschmidt (BDEW)*
	The balancing group at EGLV *Katja Ines Raith (EGLV)*
14:15	**Coffee Break**
14:30	**Project update and Pilot Plant Status I**
	Introduction and project status *Lisa Schiferle (LV)*
	I2.1 – Lippeverband *Ina Schülling*
	I2.2 – HHNK *Denise Winters and Maik Wiering*
16:00	**Coffee Break**
16:15	**Pilot Plant Status II**
	I2.3 – Aquafin *Brecht Donckels*
	Wrap-Up Day 1 *Lisa Schiferle (LV)*
17:15	**End of Day one**
	Walk to hotel and check in
18:30	**Evening Programme and networking dinner Day 1**
	Restaurant “Kiepenkerl”, Teichstraße 1, 45127 Essen
	followed by a visit to the Christmas market (optional)

Wednesday, 25 November 2026 – Day 2

We're going to spend the day at "KLEM" – the wastewater treatment plant at the Emscher estuary, just before the Emscher flows into the river Rhine.

8:30 **Bus Transfer from Essen to KLEM in Dinslaken**

9:30 **Plenary Session and Workshop**

Current topics in European Water Management
Arthur Guischet (EWA)
Workshop: ResNRJwater strategy and policy recommendations
Denise Winters (HHNK), Lisa Schiferle (LV)

12:00 **Lunch**

13:00 **Plenary Session**

Aquathermia and Energy Study Updates
Lara Elliott, Mona Hashemi, Stephan Sander (EG)

14:00 **Visit to KLEM – Emscher Estuary WWTP**



KLEM is one of the four largest wastewater treatment plants operated by EG (1.4m PE). Originally built in 1976, the plant has been modernised several times, with EG currently investing 150 million euros to modernise the digestors and CHPs, set up PV installations and build a new training workshop. The plant used to be a river-based but is now fed entirely by the new underground Emscher sewer (AKE), while the surface-flowing Emscher river merely flows past.

16:30 **Transfer to the Duisburg-Nord landscape park and dinner**

Duisburg-Nord landscape park is a prime example of a heavily industrialised landscape which has been turned into a park. We will go on a guided tour with head torches to learn about past and present challenges in transforming the landscape. At 18:30hrs, we will have dinner at "Hauptschalthaus", the former main switch house of the industrial plant.

20:30 **Return to Essen by bus transfer**

Thursday, 26 November 2026 – Day 3

9:00	**Pilot plant status III (Raum Lippe)**	
	I2.4-2.7 EnR44 *David Paulet*	
09:45	**Coffee**	
10:00	**Workshop A**	**Workshop B**
	Contracting models for consumption of RES surplus (A2.3) (Hochwasserzentrale) *David Paulet (EnR44)* *Marie-Edith Ploteau (LV)*	**Capacity Building and Community of Practice (A3.1) (Raum Lippe)** *Linda Soma (SUPSI)* *Carsten Palkowski (InfraWatt)* *Mandy Plehn (EG)*
12:00	**Wrap-up and lunch**	
	- End of project conference -	
13:00	**Project steering group meeting (Raum Lippe)**	
	PSG members – invitation/agenda to follow	
15.00	**End of PSG meeting**	

Practical aspects

Venue	**Emschergenossenschaft/Lippeverband** Kronprinzenstr. 24, D-45128 Essen
Hotels	Self-booking and self-payment apply. There are many hotels of different prices ranges and categories in Essen. These are some recommendations: **Mercure Hotel Plaza Essen** Bismarckstraße 48-50, 45128 Essen H4990-re@accor.com This hotel is a 15-minute walk from the EGLV headquarters. 20 rooms have been set aside for a special rate of €114,88 per night including breakfast, plus 5% bed tax. Cars can be parked for €18 per day. To avail of this special rate, please book via e-mail by 24 October quoting "ResNRJwater". Some alternatives: **Best Western Hotel Essener Hof (****)** Am Handelshof 5, 45127 Essen. This hotel is conveniently located in the city centre. **B&B Hotel Essen HBF (**)** This hotel is conveniently located near the station, a ten-minute walk from the EGLV headquarters.
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Language	English
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