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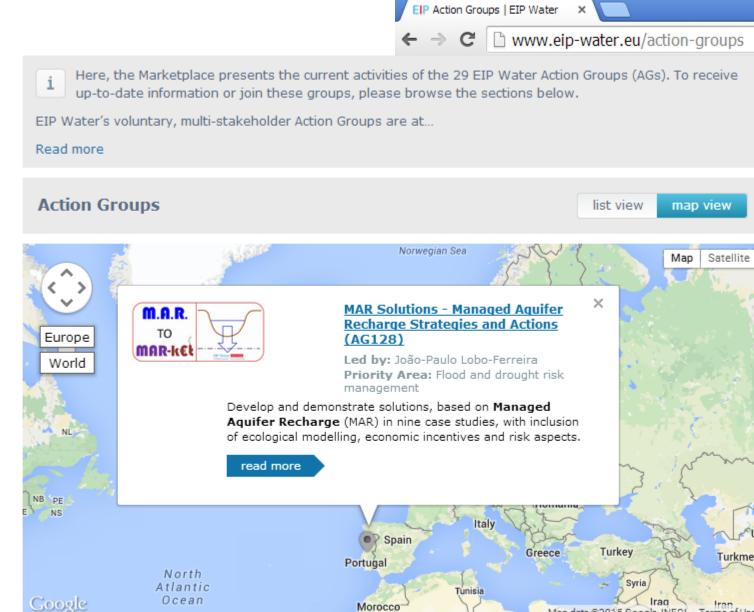
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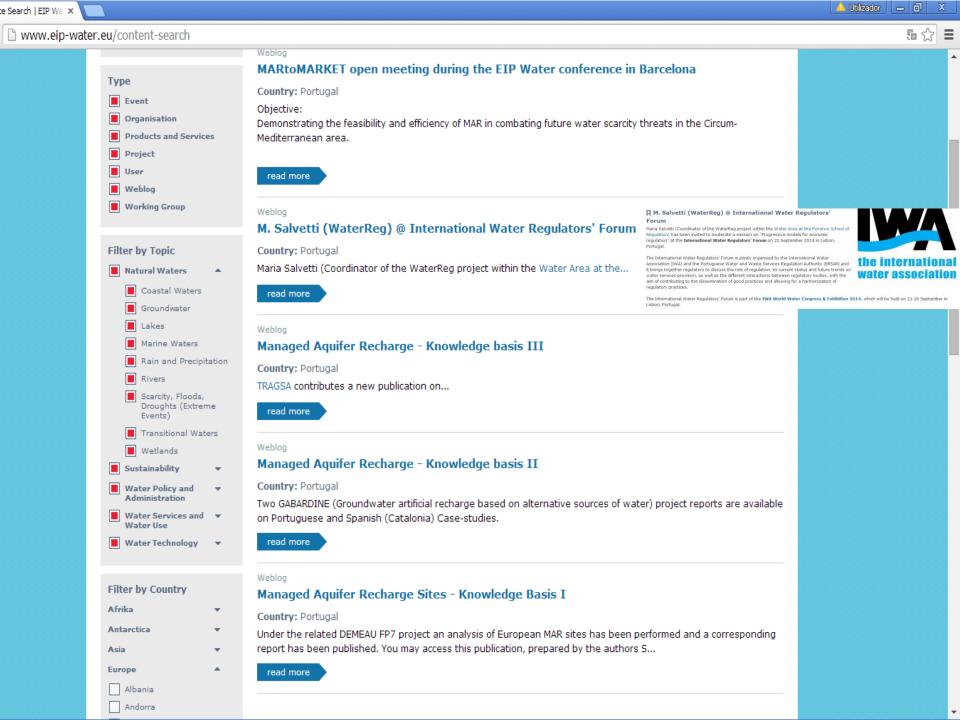
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# ARTIFICIAL RECHARGE ENHANCEMENT TO PREVENT SEAWATER INTRUSION, KORBA (TUNISIA)



Results and conclusions

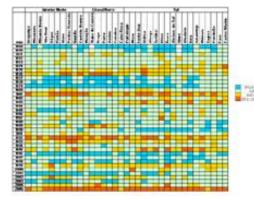
Conceptual model; Modflow Wells - constant level Area =  $57,3 \text{ km}^2$ Average depth for abstraction = 20 m Legenda Furos hydro phréa Legenda Costa Oriental Zona de estudo 5 000 10 000 Meters Barragens (Data from I.N.R.G.R.E.F.) Mediterranean sea – constant level

- Existing material: limestone and marl
- Constant hydraulic conductivity = 3 m/d
- Average annual recharge = 56 mm
- Abstractions = 6200 m<sup>3</sup>/d



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# TO MAR-k€\



# **MAR Solutions - Managed Aquifer Recharge Strategies and Actions** (EIP WATER AG128)

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**TECHNISCHE** 



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Involving the principal stakeholders and SMEs in this action group and transferring the results of this action into guidelines/policy will ensure MAR transferability to other locations. This will allow a major social advance (in Europe and worldwide) and can clearly contribute to improving living standards and job creation, as it increases the water availability to important economic sectors, improves human health and well-being, and sustains ecosystem functions and biodiversity.

Perhaps the biggest sector directly affected by MAR technique implementation will be agro-industry. In some Mediterranean countries, farmers are grouped in irrigation communities, what involves individuals, SMEs and even big industries. Their success, most of the times, is affected by water availability, and aquifers are the best way to store water as its capacity overweight traditional damming and decreases water supply transportation costs. Successful experiences are becoming more and more popular and farmers have become a sector who claims for the implementation of new MAR facilities and opportunities, waste water treatment plants and desalination agents, public bodies related to water management at care of the quality, etc. the eco-innovation label might be include in some of their processes thanks to water quality improvements by means of MAR technique.

Events

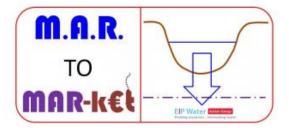
## MAR Solutions - Managed Aquifer Recharge Strategies and Actions (AG128)

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News



RECENT NEWS OF THIS GROUP

19th May 2015

MARsolutions participates in workshop on cooperation between Innovation partnerships

19th May 2015

Close cooperation between EIP MARsolutions and FP7 MARSOL Inno-Demo project

27th April 2015

MARenales training workshop aimed at endusers. A pure "MAR to MARk€t" activity.

### UPCOMING GROUP EVENTS

26th May 2015

Training for AG participants and Marketplace users

2nd June 2015

Training for AG participants and Marketplace users II

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ABOUT

# Close cooperation between EIP MARsolutions and FP7 MARSOL Inno-Demo project

ACTION GROUPS

The report presents a descriptive analysis of the responses to a survey about protection and preservation of groundwater conducted with a sample of Portuguese farmers of the Algarve region.

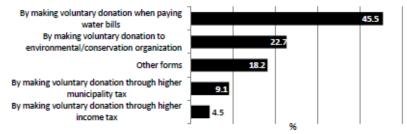
This survey was developed in the context of the project MARSOL – Managed Aquifer Recharge Solutions (European Union Seventh Framework Programme For Research, Technological Development and Demonstration – Grant Agreement nr. 619120).

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Documents:







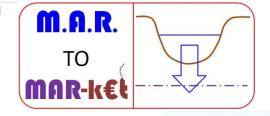
Regarding the willingness to pay for a groundwater preservation and protection plan the maximum amount allocated by farmers vary between 1€ and 75€ (average of 15€), primarily allocated to their own use of groundwater and to the protection of groundwater-dependent ecosystems. It is important to highlight that a quarter of the respondents are not willing to pay for this plan. The underlying reasons for contributing to the groundwater preservation and protection stress the importance given to improving the quality and quantity of groundwater in the present and in the future, the sustainable use of groundwater and the proper management and preservation of the quality of aquifers.

### MAR Solutions - Managed Aguifer Recharge Strategies and Actions (AG128)

Led by: João-Paulo Lobo-Ferreira

Priority Area: Flood and drought risk management

Develop and demonstrate solutions, based on Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) in nine case studies, with inclusion of ecological modelling, economic incentives and risk aspects.









# MARSOL: Demonstrating Managed Aquifer Recharge SOLUTIONS as a Solution to Water Scarcity and Drought

The Mediterranean region is suffering from increasing water scarcity, which is further exacerbated by climate change, high population density, and high water consumption by agricultural, industrial, and urban uses. Not only quantity but also quality is of increasing importance, e.g. due to intensive use of fertilizers and seawater intrusion. Meanwhile, large water quantities are lost to the Mediterranean Sea as surface runoff, river discharge, discharge of treated and untreated wastewater, and as discharge of excess water from various sources during periods of low demand. This water can be used in principle for the controlled (re-)filling of exploited aquifers by artificial infiltration, referred to as Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR).



#### **Demonstration Sites**

For the project eight demonstration sites have been selected to represent different MAR purposes and hydrological settings.

MARSOL follows an holistic approach, which considers different:

- Recharge water sources
- Recharge techniques
- MAR objectives



#### 8. South Malta Coastal Aguifer, Malta

- --- Create a seawater intrusion barrier at a coastal wastewater treatment plant
- Treated municipal sewage
- Injection boreholes
- Combating seawater intrusion



#### 7. Menashe Infiltration Basin, Hadera, Israel

- Aquifer storage of surplus water from the Hadera desalination plant

- Desalinated water
- Infiltration basin
- Seasonal storage and aquifer storage recovery of surplus desalinated water



## 3. Arenales, Castile and Leon, Spain

- River water infiltration in two catchments

2. Algarve and Alentejo, Portugal

- River water infiltration at three sites

Surface water

· Surface water

· Infiltration basins

Improving the ecological

and chemical status of the

- Treated wastewater effluents · infiltration ponds, artificial
- wetlands, drainage ditches · Replenishment of exploited
- Soil Aquifer Treatment

#### 4. Llobregat River, Catalonia, Spain

- River water infiltration basin
- Surface water Infiltration basin
- Replenishment of exploited
- Improving the ecological and chemical status of the



#### 5. River Brenta Catchment, Vicenza, Italy

- -- Agricultural area with a network of ditches
- Surface water. \* Forested infiltration area
- Replenishment of exploited
- Improving the ecological and chemical status of the



#### 6. Serchio River Well Field, Tuscany, Italy

- River bank infiltration with an advanced monitoring network
- Surface water
- Induced river bank filtratio
- Improving groundwater
- quantity and quality
- Continuous monitoring and automated operations



## The Project

- · 21 Partners
- 36 months, starting 12/2013
- · Total budget ~ 8.0 million EUR
- . EU contribution 5.2 million EUR



### MARSOL Project—Main Objectives

- . Demonstrate at 8 field sites that MAR is a sound, safe, and sustainable strategy to increase the availability of freshwater under conditions of water scarcity.
- . Improve the state of MAR applications to enable low-cost, highefficiency MAR solutions that will create market opportunities for European Industry and SMEs (MAR to Market).
- Promote the advantages of MAR by tailored training and dissemination programs to enable and accelerate market penetration.
- Deliver a key technology to face the challenge of increasing water scarcity in the Mediterranean region of southern Europe and other

## Tools to Reach the Objectives

- Data collection
- Monitoring (improvement of sensors, new sensors)
- . Improvement of MAR devices (planning, design, and maintenance)
- . Modelling to simulate the impact of MAR on aquifer hydrology and hydrogeochemistry)
- Scenario analysis
- Development of a Decision Support System
- Definition of guidelines and policies
- Increase of public participation within Public Private Partnership
- Market analysis on the potential market exploitation solutions

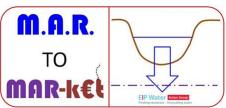




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## ■ TUE 4<sup>th</sup> November, time 16:00-18:00. MARtoMARket EIP Water Action Group OPEN MEETING

Objective: Demonstrating the feasibility and efficiency of MAR in combating future water scarcity threats in the Circum-Mediterranean area.

### Tentative Agenda:

- Introduction and objectives of MARtoMARket Action Group 128, by J.P. Lobo Ferreira (Leader of AG 128, LNEC, Portugal) / Nikolaus Fleischmann (EIP Water Secretariat)
- A Knowledge Basis on Managed Aquifer Recharge Sites in Europe, by Christoph Sprenger (KWB, Germany)
- Developments of FP7 INNO DEMO MARSOL project & Executive summary / conclusions of MAR Modelling Workshop in Lisbon, July 2014, by Annette Wefer-Roehl / Karl-Ernst Roehl (MARSOL Project Coordination, TUD, Germany) and J.P. Lobo Ferreira (WP 12 Modelling leader, LNEC, Portugal)
- Executive summary / conclusions of Geofluid MAR Workshop in Piacenza, Italy, by Giancarlo Gusmaroli (LIFE AQUOR PROJECT Technical-Scientific Coordinator, Studio Ecoingegno, Italy)
- Executive summary / conclusions of MAR4FARM Workshop in Arenales and Santiuste, Spain by Enrique Escalante (TRAGSA, Spain).
- MAR activities in Italy, and the importance of MAR for Italian stakeholders, by Vincenzo Marsala (SGI Studio Galli Ingegneria S.p.A., Italy)
- MtoM business and project opportunities in Eastern Europe countries (Ciprian Nanu, MATES nZEB Project, Romania)
- Discussion & networking coffee with representatives of UPC and AgBar, Barcelona (Xavier Sanchez Vila, UPC, Spain).

If you are interested to join, please contact: Iferreira@Inec.pt or nikolaus.fleischmann@fresh-thoughts.eu.

# MANAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURE LAND USE BASED ON **GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY SCENARIOS** A Case-Study in Portugal



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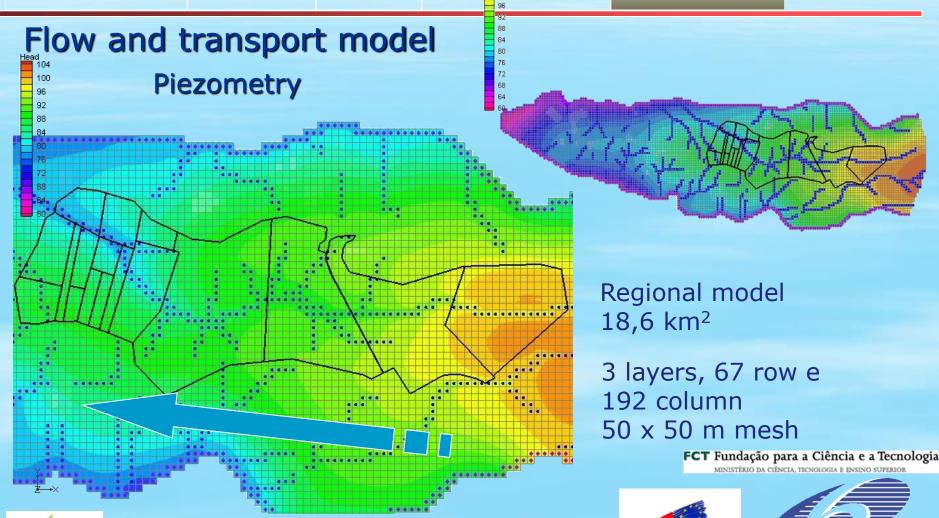
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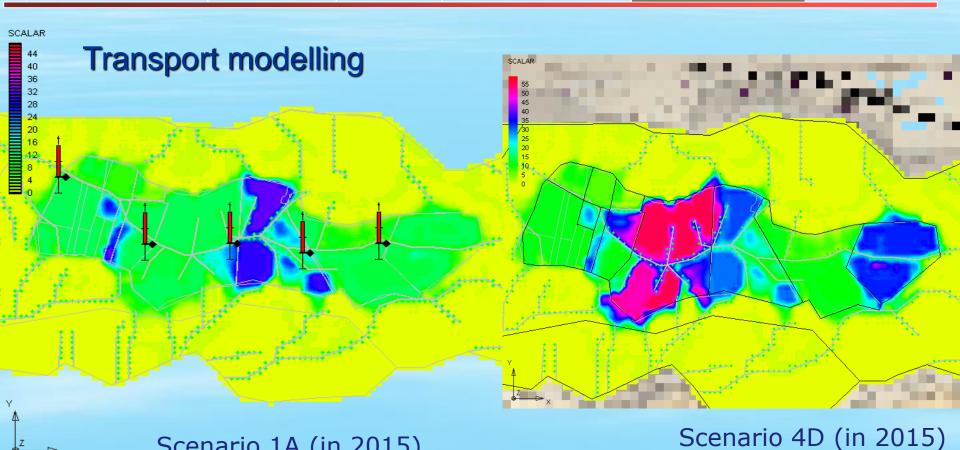
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Scenario 1A (in 2015)

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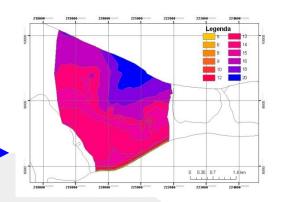


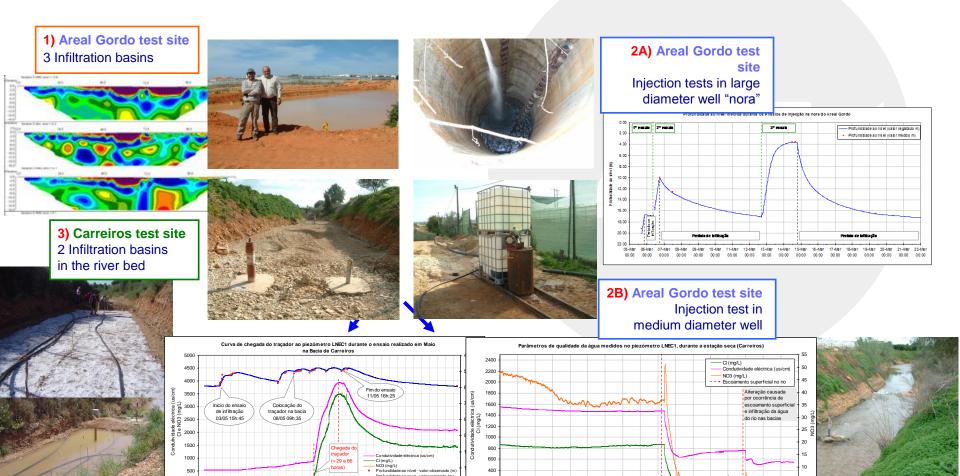
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# Main Results/Conclusions

• Methodology to identify preliminary candidate areas to implement artificial recharge (GABA-IFI Index)

• Artificial recharge infiltration and tracer tests in Campina de Faro



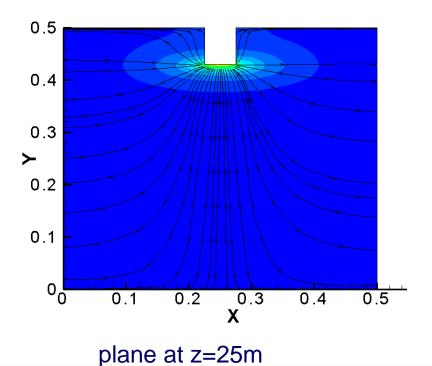


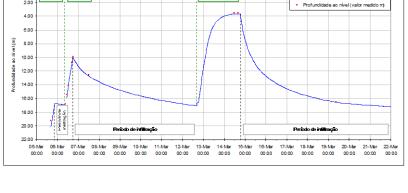


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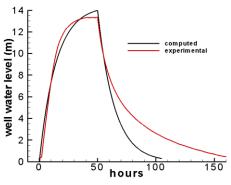




Profundidade ao nível medida durante os ensaios de injecção na nora do Areal Gordo

17 ensaño

2.00



Well water level





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Task 1d: River basin management Task leader: LNEC; Involved partners EU: ISPRA, DTU, EWA

Task 1e: Water for energy

Task leader: LNEC; Involved partners

EU: DTU, EWA, EDP/Labelec



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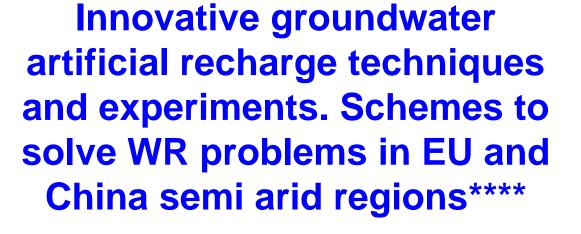












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Task 1a: Agricultural Water Management Task leader: ISPRA; Involved partners EU:

LNEC, DTU, EWA

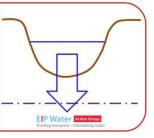


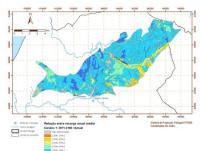
In the scope of LNEC investigations on diffuse pollution prevention and monitoring, the main goals have been to:

- Implement the measures necessary to prevent or limit the input of pollutants into groundwater and to prevent the deterioration of the status of all bodies of groundwater ....
- Contribute to support future decisions in terms of more adequate policies regarding rural land use planning (type of crops and associated fertilizers and treatment techniques), taking into consideration the protection of the environment based on vulnerability and risk concepts and a sustainable and integrated water management.



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## **ACTIVITIES TO BE ADDRESSED**

1.Activity 1 KNOWLEDGE BASE OF EXISTING MAR FIELD APPLICATIONS: Development of MAR knowledge-base of existing field applications for addressing different societal challenges related to water availability.

2.Activity 2. MAR to MAR-ket: Permanent demonstration activity to show industry that they can rely on hydrogeology techniques by involving nine different industrial branches as demo cases. Industry will realise the benefits and will feel more identified with the activities developed in MARSOL project and the expertise from other previous EU founded projects. Provide technical solution for their water supply guarantee and the feasibility to maintain their livelihood.

3.Activity 3 BLUE PRINT IMPACT, INDICATORS, RISK ASSESSMENT TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS FOR INDUSTRY: Development of a methodology for probabilistic risk evaluation linked to MAR activities.

4.Activity 4 TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS FOR INDUSTRY: Development of design and construction criteria, and testing protocols for different exemplary MAR schemes and their benchmarking. Developing and testing appropriate engineering solutions, e.g. underground dams and wastewater hydraulic barriers, to convert karst aquifers into large groundwater storage reservoirs. The pros and cons of each technology will be assessed systematically, and compared to alternative solutions. Economic costs and benefits of MAR options for the various.

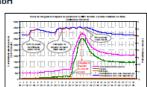
5.Activity 5 MODELLING (incl. water balance, water availability, climate change): Mathematical models to simulate the impact of MAR on aquifer hydrology and hydro geochemistry.

6.Activity 6 TRANSFERING KNOWLEDGE INTO PRACTICE: A complex and Specific Dissemination & Technology Transfer (D&TT) Plan will be designed based in the product previous analysis, business and development plans as well as target users. The Plan will contain several programs specially dedicated to the industrial branches, beneficiaries of the technology improvements. Different activities & materials will be developed to achieve an impact on the entire industrial driven sector.

# **PARTNERS**

The list of the proposer partners of AG 128 is as follows:

- Laboratório Nacional de Engenharia Civil (AG 128 lead organization)
- Grupo Tragsa (Tragsa and Tragsatec)
- · Technische Universität Darmstadt, Dept. of Applied Geosciences
- IWW Rheinisch-Westfälisches Institut für Wasserforschung gemeinnützige GMBH
- National Technical University of Athens
- Lavrion Technological & Cultural Park
- Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya-BarcelonaTech
- Helmholtz-Zentrum für Umweltforschung GmbH
- Universidade do Algarve
- Malta Resources Authority
- Paragon Europe
- Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, SSSA
- Amphos 21
- Mekorot Water Company Israel
- SGI Studio Galli Ingegneria
- · Carracillo Region Irrigation community
- Comunidad de Usuarios de Aguas del Valle Bajo y Delta del río Llobregat
- Terra, Ambiente e Recursos Hídricos
- Águas do Algarve, S.A.
- Santiuste Basin Irrigation community
- Autorità di Bacino dei Fiumi Isonzo Tagliamento Livenza Piave Brenta Bacchiglione (AAWA)
- Agência Portuguesa do Ambiente
- Athens Water Supply and Sewerage Company
- Agricultural Research Organization the Volcani Center
- Water Services Corporation
- Spanish Water Technology Platform
- · Institute of Communications and Computer Systems
- International Groundwater Resources Assessment Centre (IGRAC)
- Aquifer Storage And Recovery Systems
- Korean Institute of Geoscience and Mineral Resources (KIGAM)
- · Regional governing body of Regione Toscana
- · Local authority of Provincia di Lucca
- TEA Sistemi SPA
- Ingegnerie Toscane
- · Kompetenz Zentrum Wasser Berlin (KWB)
- Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE), Brazil

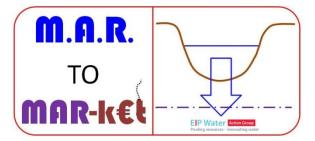


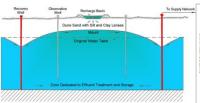




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Recharge - Recovery Scheme







# **ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### EIP Water AG 128 MARtoMARket achievements:

#### Site:

AG 128 MARtoMARket EIP site available (<a href="http://www.eip-water.eu/working-groups/mar-solutions-managed-aguifer-recharge-strategies-and-actions-ag128">http://www.eip-water.eu/working-groups/mar-solutions-managed-aguifer-recharge-strategies-and-actions-ag128</a>)

#### Conferences, workshops, summer school:

- MAR at the Water R&DI workshop; MAR Action Group was represented by TRAGSA, April 2014.
- . MAR Modelling Workshop in Lisbon, July 2014
- MAR component of IWA 2014 Inspiring Change, session on "Adaptation to climate change impacts: urban resiliency", September 2014
- WARBO summer school, Lisbon, October 2014
- · Geofluid MAR Workshop in Piacenza, Italy, October 2014
- MAR4FARM Workshop in Arenales and Santiuste, Spain, November 2014

#### **DEMO Sites:**

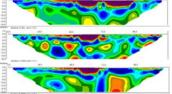
- Infiltration (Set 2014), tracer (Out 2014) and clogging (July 2014) experiments in Campina de Faro aquifer, Algarve, Portugal aiming data gathering for groundwater rehabilitation through artificial recharge using rain/river water surpluses
- Large well infiltration tests in Campina de Faro and Querença-Silves aquifers (April 2014),
  Algarve, Portugal, aiming extra groundwater storage in wet years to be usable later during drought years
- Laboratory soil-column infiltration tests with Campina de Faro, Querença-Silves and Melides soils for further use in SAT basins to be constructed in 2015

#### Books:

- Managed Aquifer Recharge Sites Knowledge Basis I, under the related DEMEAU FP7 project: M11\_1 catalogue of European MAR applications plus appendix.pdf
- Managed Aquifer Recharge Knowledge basis II two GABARDINE (Groundwater artificial recharge based on alternative sources of water) project reports are available on Portuguese and Spanish (Catalonia) Casestudies
- Managed Aquifer Recharge Knowledge basis III TRAGSA contributes a new publication on one decade of managed aquifer recharge in the Santiuste aquifer, Spain

#### Papers:

- GAALOUL, N., LEITÃO, T. E. e LOBO FERREIRA, J.P., 2014 Artificial recharge enhancement to prevent seawater intrusion in the coastal aquifer of Korba-Mida (Tunisia), Congresso da IWA - World Water Congress & Exhibition 2014, Lisboa, 21 a 25 de setembro de 2014, 8 pp.
- LOBO FERREIRA, J.P., ESCALANTE, E., SCHÜTH, C. e LEITÄÖ, T.E., 2014 Demonstrating Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) as a Solution for Water Scarcity and Drought in Portugal and Spain. "12.º Congresso da Água /16.ºENASB/XVISILUBESA", organizado pela APRH, APESB e ABES, Lisboa, 5-8 de março de 2014, 15 pp.





# **SCIENTIFIC SUPPORT & NETWORKING**

