

MINECO

Role

Funding Agency and Programme Manager

The **Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (MINECO)** implements government policy for research and innovation through the Secretariat of State for Research, Development and Innovation. **MINECO** is the main governmental funding body for research and innovation, owning and managing the “State Plan for Research, Development and Innovation”. This Plan aims at promoting high-quality research in the full spectrum of scientific and technological disciplines, capacity building and career development in science and technology, supporting centres of excellence, research infrastructures, technology transfer, innovation and science dissemination.

MINECO's Directorate General for Scientific and Technological Research supports basic, strategic and applied research, included Water science and technology, through annual bottom-up calls. This Directorate General also promotes the internationalization of Spanish research and participates in various ERA-NETs and JPIs. **MINECO** is representing Spain at the Water JPI Governing Board.

Coordination:

- CSA WatEUr in support of Water JPI
- ERA-NET Cofund WaterWorks2014

WatEUr: MINECO coordinates WP1 and leads the following tasks:

- T1.1. CSA Steering and overall coherence with the EC, non-partner European countries, and policies
- T1.2. CSA consortium coordination
- T1.3. CSA project management

WaterWorks2014: MINECO coordinates WP1 (Coordination and Management) and leads the following tasks:

- T1.1 ERA-NET Steering and overall coherence with the Water JPI
- T1.2 Consortium coordination and project management
- T1.3 Financial management
- T1.4 Project reporting to the EC

MINECO coordinates WP6 (Additional Activities on Implementation) and leads the following tasks:


- T6.1 Thematic meetings: sharing good practices on funding and management
- T6.3 Alignment of on-going R&D projects


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MINECO coordinates the Coordination and Support Action “Tackling European Water Challenges” (CSA WatEUr) and ERA-NET Cofund WaterWorks2014, both in support to the Joint Programming, in close cooperation with **Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT)**, which acts as a Third Party associated to the coordinator.

FECYT is a public foundation under the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, whose objective is to foster and promote science, technology and innovation in Spain.

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Role in Water JPI activities	<p>Governing Board representative / voting member</p> <p>Management Board representative</p> <p>Participation in Pilot Joint Call, Co-funded Call WaterWorks2014</p> <p>Member of the Task Force on “Alignment” and “International Cooperation”</p>	

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Role in Water JPI activities	Governing Board delegate’s Technical advisor Management Board representative Participation in Pilot Joint Call, Co-funded Call WaterWorks2014 Member of the Task Force on “Alignment” and “International Cooperation”

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Role in Water JPI activities	Governing Board delegate’s Technical Advisor SRIA development Member of the Task Force on “Alignment” and “International Cooperation”



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Role in Water JPI activities	WatEUr and WaterWorks2014 Secretariat



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Role in Water JPI activities	WatEUr and WaterWorks2014 Secretariat	