

Workshop Nordiwa 5 September 2023

Climate adaptation for the water sector, different prerequisites for financing

There are many challenges and obstacles to obtain a climate secured society. The measures are often very costly and needs to both be prioritized and taken into a holistic societal consideration. The value of choosing measures should and need to be valued along with other alternatives.

Objective

The objective is to create a comparative map highlighting both commonalities and distinctions among our Nordic countries regarding the implementation of climate change measures in the water sector. This exchange of valuable insights aims to enhance our collective understanding of the challenges faced by the water sector within society.

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Time and place: 5 September 16.10-17.30, NordIwa, Gothenburg.

Agenda

Brief pitches from the Nordic countries

What is your prerequisite to obtain financing for climate adaptation measures for the water sector? Does it differ on private owned land and municipality owned land? Water and wastewater sector role, who is responsible for what today? What's the role of the water sector, what can water tax be used to, identify differences in the Nordic countries? How much investments are planned for in the different countries?

- Erik Karlsson, Svenskt Vatten
- Miriam Feilberg, DANVA
- Elin Riise, Norsk Vann
- TBD, FIWA

Case – the river Gudenåen

Climate adaptation and resilience in a developing city by the river Gudenåen. Presenters are Helle Kayerød and Lisa Melgaard, Vandmiljø Randers.

Discussion and workshop

One question per table.

1. **Obstacles.** What are the major challenges in achieving climate adaptation in the water sector within society?
2. **Possibilities.** What strategies can lead to successful financing and equitable distribution among stakeholders?
3. **Priorities.** What are the major challenges in achieving climate adaptation in the water sector within society?

Panel insights

The panel members summarize and comment on previous discussions and look into the future.

- Pär Dalhielm, EurEau och Svenskt Vatten
- Morten Rebsdorf Århus Vand
- Magnar Sekse, Bergen Vann
- TBD, FIWA