

OUTPUT 2 - Developing rewarding schemes for Nature-based Solutions, specifically targeted at (but not limited to) increased infiltration and retention of rainwater.



Future prospects on private & public payment schemes for Nature-based Solutions targeted at increased infiltration and retention of rainwater.

Ecosystem-based Adaptation measures (a Nature-based approach to climate adaptation) need to be taken on both public and private land. However, most land-owners will not implement them voluntarily (additional to what is required by law) without financial incentives.

And expert panel discussion

Based on the PROWATER panel discussion with international experts (16 October 2021), this report reflects on success factors and pitfalls when designing and implementing payment schemes for EbA measures targeted at increased infiltration and retention of rainwater in our landscapes.

Many of the practice recommendations are targeted at local initiatives that wish to set-up a local PES scheme for EbA, targeted at infiltration and retention of rainwater. Although we also acknowledge the important role of larger scale payment schemes to generate large scale changes in management (e.g. integrated within the CAP greening measures). There are also important messages for (inter)national policy makers. Current policy and legislation can complicate the establishment of EbA-PES.

Project partners will build on to this report to deliver **Output 2 'Developing rewarding schemes for Nature-based Solutions, specifically targeted at (but not limited to) increased infiltration and retention of rainwater', expected in October 2022.**



https://www.pro-water.eu/sites/default/files/2022-09/D1.2.1_Future%20prospects%20PES%20for%20NbS%20targeted%20at%20infiltration%20and%20retention.pdf

A cross-border cooperation

From November 2017 to March 2023, 10 partners from Flanders, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom work together on PROWATER. The project has a budget of more than 5.5 million euros. In each country, water production companies, governments and research institutes as well as land managers are involved in order to achieve a supported vision for Ecosystem-based Adaptation.

The project PROWATER receives 3.315.974 € through the Interreg 2 Seas fund, co-funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), to work on climate change adaptation and to increase resilience against droughts and extreme precipitation based on ecosystem services. Interreg 2 Seas is a European territorial cooperation programme for the United Kingdom, France, the Netherlands and Belgium (Flanders).

