



## **Strengthening China Europe Water Innovation Cooperation: results of the project PIANO**

**Brussels 15 May 2018**  
**ENEA office, rue de Namur 72**

PIANO is a H2020 strategic cooperation partnership for water research and innovation between Europe and China to create social and economic cooperation opportunities in the European and Chinese water sectors. Among its objectives are strengthening the existing network of the CEWP, identification of European technological water innovations that have a potential for implementation in China, identification of drivers and barriers related to implementation and replication of water innovations in China, and promotion of knowledge exchange. Further, a strategic research and innovation agenda (SRIA) for China Europe water cooperation has been elaborated.

The objective of this event is to present the project results and recommendations, gain feedback and explore options and synergies to utilize the project results through and beyond the work of the China Europe Water Platform and the other international water-related networks and initiatives.

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**Draft Agenda**

09:00 –09:30	<b>Participants Registration</b> – welcome coffee	
09:30 –10:00	<p><b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Opening address</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Diego Sanmaritano</b> <span style="color: red;">TBC</span> <i>European Commission DG Research and Innovation</i></li> <li>✓ <i>The China–Europe Water Platform</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Henrik Dissing</b> <i>Program Manager, Business and Innovation China Europe Water Platform Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark Danish Environmental Protection Agency</i></li> </ul>	
10:00 – 11:00	<p><b>Session 1 - Introducing the PIANO approach</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Summary of PIANO approach</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Markus Starkl</b> <i>Coordinator of PIANO Project University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences of Vienna</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Approach for TWI (Technical Water Innovation) identification</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Barth Smets</b> <i>Professor at the Technical University of Denmark</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Example of experiences with an EU TWI in China: CAMBI, Norway</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Zuliang Liao</b> <i>Vice President Business Development CAMBI Group AS</i></li> <li>✓ <b>Questions &amp; Answers</b></li> </ul>	
11:00 – 13:00	<p><b>Session 2 - PIANO results and recommendations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Drivers, opportunities and barriers for business cooperation</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Simon Spooner</b> <i>Programme manager and technical director of ATKINS global company</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Recommendations for R&amp;I cooperation: the proposed PIANO SRIA</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Alessandro Lotti</b> <i>Hydraulic engineer at the Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research</i></li> <li>✓ <i>General recommendations for EU China water innovation cooperation</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Josh Weinberg</b> <i>Programme manager at Swedish International Water Institute</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Relevance of PIANO results for future EU/China water innovation cooperation</i></li> <li style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>João Paulo Lobo Ferreira</b> <i>Director at Laboratório Nacional de Engenharia Civil</i></li> </ul>	

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	<p><b><u>Panel Discussion:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Question to panelists:</u></b></p> <p><b>Q1:</b> How can the PIANO results help other initiatives to deepen China Europe water innovation cooperation?</p> <p><b>Q2:</b> Should the recommendations be modified?</p> <p><b>All speakers plus representatives of selected additional networks/project partners</b></p>	
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch break</b>	
14:00 – 15:45	<p><b>Session 3 - Framework for China Europe Water Innovation cooperation</b></p> <p>✓ The <i>ENRICH project (European Network of Research and Innovation Centres and Hubs)</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Robert Sanders</b> <i>Head of International projects in the European Network of Business</i></p> <p>✓ The <i>ASEM Water programme</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Zhang Canming</b>    <b>TBC</b> <i>Director of the ASEM Water programme</i></p> <p>✓ <i>Perspective of international cooperation within the Water JPI</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Giuseppina Monacelli</b> <i>Research Director in ISPRA</i></p> <p>✓ <i>PIANO and other networks</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Yannick Pochon</b> <i>Project manager at the International Office for Water</i></p> <p><b><u>PANEL DISCUSSION:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Question to panelists:</u></b></p> <p><b>Q1:</b> Do we need more networks or deepen the existing ones to further strengthen EU China water innovation cooperation?</p> <p><b>Q2:</b> What (additional) steps could Europe take to promote water innovation cooperation with China?</p> <p><b>All speakers plus representatives of selected additional networks/project partners</b></p>	
	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	
15:45 – 16:00	<p>✓ <i>Outlook on EU – China cooperation in FP 9</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Panagiotis Balabanis</b> <i>Deputy head of Eco Innovation Unit in DG Research and Innovation- European Commission</i></p>	