

REPORT

1st Meeting “Club of TwiNSol-CECs Interest”

University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Technology Novi Sad (TFNS) Novi Sad, Serbia

April 27, 2023

The 1st Meeting of “Club of TwiNSol-CECs Interest” was organized as a one-day event on April 27, 2023, at the Faculty of Technology Novi Sad, University of Novi Sad, Serbia. It is the activity planned within the Work Package (WP) 6 of the TwiNSol-CECs project (101059867) with the main goal to establish interactive contacts with potential stakeholders with interest in the TwiNSol-CECs topics of research with the purpose of transferring the project results and the latest knowledge on the environmental presence of CECs. This first Meeting was organized as an event for introductory presentation of TwiNSol-CECs goals and possible collaboration pathways with stakeholders, either through the session with oral presentation given by the TwiNSol-CECs members or during the afterwards discussion during the *B2B coffee* break. The program of the Meeting is presented in the Annex of this report (this is the translation from the Serbian, as the official language of the meeting was Serbian).

Besides TwiNSol-CECs project team members and colleagues from TFNS, 16 representatives of 11 institutions attended the Meeting of the Club as presented in Table 1. The potential stakeholders were invited by sending the official invitation to the institutions from various sectors, either local and national administrations, public utilities, water management, food industry, NGO, public health, secondary schools, SMEs, etc. Majority of the invited stakeholders delegated representatives at the Meeting.

At the start of the 1st Meeting Prof. Dr. Biljana Pajin, Dean of Faculty of Technology Novi Sad, Project Manager for the legal, administrative, and financial issues, and WP6 Leader, gave a welcome speech, stressing the importance of the collaboration with stakeholders, including the innovative and applicative aspects of the research, as well as the increased attractiveness of the Faculty’s educational role, in that way. Afterwards, Prof. Dr. Zita Šereš, Vice-dean for Science at Faculty of Technology Novi Sad and Project Manager for Strategic Issues, highlighted the importance of cooperation between academia, business, and society given by the national scientific strategy, and summarized the achievements of the Faculty so far with the position and importance of TwiNSol-CECs. Prof. Dr. Nataša Đurišić-Mladenović, Project Coordinator, presented main goals and consortium of TwiNSol-CECs project, emphasizing the importance of expected project results and outcomes for the joint efforts towards zero waste emission. Dr. Igor Antić gave a presentation on “Emerging compounds (Contaminants of Emerging Concern, CEC) – global challenge in the field of

environmental protection”, introducing the attendees to the problems induced by the occurrence of such compounds in the environment, and the contribution of the TwiNSol-CECs project in the field of analysis of CECs in water.

The last presentation was held by dr Nikola Maravić, leader of the task dealing with the organization of the Club of TwiNSol-CECs interest, and Project Communication Coordinator, who provided information on different means of cooperation between the stakeholders and Faculty of Technology Novi Sad (particularly TwiNSol-CECs team) within and beyond TwiNSol-CECs project. He announced the questionnaire for acquiring potential inputs and interest of stakeholders in the TwiNSol-CECs research and collaboration. The questionnaire will be distributed before the summer brake to all attendees of the 1st Meeting of the Club, who gave the consent to be included in the emailing list by signing the List of Participants of the 1st Meeting.

Table 1. Representatives of stakeholders at the 1st Meeting of the “Club of TwiNSol-CECs interest”

Sector	Institution	Number of representatives
Food industry	SUNOKO company, Novi Sad	2
	Fidelinka Skrob, Subotica	1
NGO (engaged in environmental protection)	Zeleni Sad, Novi Sad	1
Public company	Public Water Management Company “Vode Vojvodine”, Novi Sad	1
	Public utility company “Water and Sewerage”, Novi Sad	3
City administration	City Administration for the Environmental Protection, Novi Sad	2
Provincial administration	Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning and Environmental Protection, Novi Sad	1
Education	Secondary Technical School „Pavle Savić“, Novi Sad	1
Non-profitable business association	Industrijsko bilje doo, Novi Sad (association of industries for the production of oil, sugar, tobacco, and other industrial plants)	1
Business	SP Laboratorija, Bečej (service laboratory for food, feed, water, packaging, and fertilizers)	2
	Ljiljak doo, Zrenjanin (SME for construction works and planning)	1

At the end of the 1st Meeting, discussion was opened and stakeholders had an opportunity to express their opinions regarding corresponding subject and highlight potential cooperation. Discussion section continued at the *B2B coffee* break at the premises of Faculty.

The interviews from the event were broadcasted at local/state TV channel on the same day, April 27, 2023, and it is available online under the title "Is the end of environmental pollution in sight?":

https://www.rtv.rs/sr_ci/vojvodina/novi-sad/da-li-se-nazire-kraj-zagadjenu-zivotne-sredine_1440244.html

Photos and videos recorded by TwiNSol-CECs team are available through the project social media accounts.



Welcome speech of Prof. Dr. Biljana Pajin, Dean, and presentation of Prof. Dr. Zita Šereš, Vice-dean for Science



Presentations of Prof. Dr. Nataša Đurišić-Mladenović, project coordinator, and Dr. Igor Antić



Presentation of Dr. Nikola Maravić, project communication coordinator



Expressing the interest for collaboration by the representative of Vode Vojvodine, Olivera Gavrilović, MSc



Interviews for the public TV station of the Vojvodina Province were given by Mrs. Biljana Bogdanović, a quality coordinator of Sunoko Company, Prof. Dr. Nataša Đurišić-Mladenović, and Prof. Dr. Biljana Pajin

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Annex

Program of the 1st Meeting of the “Club of TwiNSol-CECs interest”

Held in Blue Hall of the Faculty of Technology Novi Sad, 27 April 2023

- 9.30-10.00 Registration
- 10.00-10.05 Welcome speech**
Prof. Dr. Biljana Pajin, Dean, Leader of TwiNSol-CECs Work Package on dissemination, TwiNSol-CECs project manager
- 10.05-10.15 Importance of collaboration between academia, industry, and society**
Prof. Dr. Zita Šereš, Vice-dean for Science, TwiNSol-CECs project manager
- 10.15-10.25 TwiNSol-CECs project: goals and expected outcomes**
Prof. Dr. Nataša Đurišić-Mladenović, TwiNSol-CECs project coordinator
- 10.25-10.35 Emerging contaminants – global challenge within environmental protection domain**
Dr. Igor Antić, TwiNSol-CECs team member
- 10.35-10.45 “Club of TwiNSol-CECs interest” – collaboration within TwiNSol-CECs**
Dr. Nikola Maravić, TwiNSol-CECs communication coordinator
- 10.45-11.00 Discussion**
- 11.00-13.00 *B2B coffee* with refreshments

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