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Water & Waste Water Market Brief 2008

Croatia: Important Links & Contacts

Croatian Waters - Hrvatske Vode, HV - www.voda.hr

Ministry of Regional Development, Forestry and Water Management - www.mrrsv.gov.hr

Ministry of Environmental Protection, Physical Planning and Construction - www.mzopu.gov.hr

Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure - www.mmpi.gov.hr

Agency for Environmental Protection - www.azo.gov.hr

Fund for Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency; www.fzoeu.gov.hr

Market Overview

While water supply coverage (73%) is high compared to other countries in the region, coverage for sewage is only around 40 percent, and less than twelve percent of all collected wastewater is being treated. General objectives for water and wastewater management in Croatia in the coming years include: bringing Croatian water management regulations in line with relevant EU regulations; creation and maintenance of Water Information System; extending public water supply to 90 percent of the population; providing wastewater collection, treatment and disposal systems for a population equivalent of 10.5 million and implementation of flood control and multi-purpose projects. Among multiple smaller opportunities, three large wastewater projects are currently underway: the US\$250 million World Bank-sponsored Coastal Cities Pollution Control project, the US\$ 38 million EBRD-financed Karlovac Wastewater Management Project and the US\$18 million World Bank-financed Inland Waters Project.

Best Prospects: Water quality maintenance and monitoring, improvement of water supply systems and waste water treatment facilities.

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- Population: 4,496,869
- Capital: Zagreb
- Language: Croatian
- Currency: Kuna
- GDP/Cap: \$10,600
- Accession to the EU: Candidate

