For our Environment

Umweltbundesamt | Postfach 1406 | 06813 Dessau-Roßlau To the members of the European Network of Drinking Water Regulators (ENDWARE) via email

Invitation to sub-regional workshop on improving small-scale water supplies for better health

Dear colleagues,

Improving the situation of small-scale water supply services and promoting their safe and efficient management are key priorities under the Protocol on Water and Health, and the European Commission also recognizes the importance of addressing the challenges related to smallscale water supplies. European Union (EU) water policy is an important driver to ensure high drinking-water quality across its member states. The German Environment Agency (UBA), in collaboration with the WHO Regional Office for Europe, plans to host a Sub-regional workshop on improving small-scale water supplies for better health in Dessau, Germany, on 18-20 June 2018. The workshop aims to facilitate an exchange on experiences related to safe and sustainable small-scale water supply services in rural areas and promoting internationally recognized good practices towards their improvement. Please find enclosed further details on the scope and purpose of the workshop. The workshop aims to bring together a wide audience of high-level stakeholders from regulation. This will enable extensive sharing of practical information, including on experience in implementation of the water safety plan (WSP) approach. The expected workshop outcomes are to identify recommendations for steps forward in supporting safe and sustainable small-scale water supply services in Europe, as well as on national levels.

We would like to kindly invite one or two representatives from your country. Participants are invited to actively contribute to the workshop and share their knowledge and experience in relation to small-scale water supplies in their country.

The workshop will commence on 18 June 2018 with registration at 1 p.m. and close on 20 June 2018 at 2 p.m. Detailed information about the venue,

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We are running this meeting without a conference fee and hope that you therefore can come at the costs of your own institution.

We would like to kindly ask you to confirm your participation in the meeting by **9 March 2018** via e-mail to ines.enning@uba.de, Cc Trinkwasserveranstaltung@uba.de.

We are looking forward to hearing from you and hope to have you on board for this initiative.

Sincerely On behalf of UBA

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Attachments Scope and purpose of workshop Information circular