Water Resilient Cities Project
Cross- Border Seminar and Networking Event
Sustainable Drainage Systems
4th October 2017. Mechelen, Belgium

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW
Presentations given at the Water Resilient Cross-Border Seminar and Networking Event

1. Water Management Policy Context. Marcia van der Vlugt, Program Manager, Incentive Programme Spatial Adaptation to Climate Change at Ministry of Infrastructure and Environment, Netherlands

2. 2Seas Programme speaker. Dries Debruyne - An introduction to the Adaptation to Climate Change Priority: Increasing the ecosystem-based adaptation capacity to climate change and associated effects (Specific Objective 3.1)

Projects overview

3. Water Resilient Cities - Alex Midlen, Low Carbon City Officer, Plymouth City Council
4. Sponge 2020 – Lynsey Adams, Project Officer, Major Projects & Strategic Transport Policy, Southend on Sea Borough Council
5. SCAPE - Arne Debruyne, Strategic Coordination, City of Ostend

6. Introduction to WRC project from Mechelen representative

Panel 1: Innovation and Research: What are the newest innovations and research in relation to retrofitting SUDs?

7. Speaker from UK – Dr Katherine Hyde, University of Reading - Recycled water and sustainable green urban drainage systems
8. Speaker from Belgium – Vincent Wolfs, KU Leuven, Faculty Civil Technique, Department Hydraulics - Simulating the impact of climate change and SUDs on urban floods

Panel 2: Challenges for Policy and Public-Sector Delivery

9. Speaker from the Netherlands - Dr. Aline Te Linde Twynstra Gudde, Amersfoort - Implementing Climate Adaptation Strategies at a Regional Level: Governance Challenges
10. Speaker from Belgium – Koen De Winne – Aquafin (main sewer company of Belgium) – Rain Water Management
11. Speaker from UK – Chryse Tinsley, Landscape Architect at Leicester City Council - Making changes in Leicester; a city perspective
Panel 3: Design and Best Practice

12. Speaker from Belgium – Bram Vogels – Hydrologist at VMM (Flanders Environment Agency) - Rainwater management in Flanders - preparing for the future
13. Speaker from UK – Sue Illman, Landscape Architect, Illman Young - SUDs retrofitting - from challenges to best practice
14. Speaker from France - Elia Desmot, Project Manager on the Territory Picard for ADOPTA, Sustainable Storm Water Management Sustainable and integrated rainwater management: a philosophy and a toolbox of alternative techniques
15. Speaker from the Netherlands - Steven Slabbers, Bosch and Slabbers, Landscape Architects, Middleburg - Adaptive & Attractive