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RIVERS IN SPRING THE INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL WORLD WATER DAY 2025 IN MANTOVA

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INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL WORLD WATER DAY - MANTOVA (I)

21 March 2025

9:30 AM – 1:45 PM CET

AGENDA

9:30 AM	WELCOME	TRAILER: Video by Prof. Paolo Dugoni, Liceo Artistico G. Romano, Mantova
		Opening Address: Assoc. Prof. Alessandra Sutti & Mr Stuart Robottom (Deakin University, Australia) (livestream MC) Video-address: Prof. Serena Pedrazzoli, Councillor for Public Education, Municipality of Mantova / video (ITA spoken, English subtitled) Dana Votapkova - Welcome Address and Recent GLOBE Program and GLOBE Europe-Eurasia RCO initiatives, GLOBE Europe-Eurasia Region Coordination Office, Praha, Czech Republic/ live (ENG/ ITA translation) MICROPLASTICS MONITORING CAMPAIGN 2025 Launch: MMPT team First Cross to the field: Lorella Rigonat and Graziella Mocellin (Associazione GLOBE ITALIA APS)
10:00 AM	UKRAINE	STUDIES OF THE KLOCKUCHKA. SMALL RIVER IN CHERNIVTSI: Anisiia Miheeva, GLOBE student in pupils Circle "Basin of ecological monitoring", GLOBE teacher: Khilus L.M. Chernivtsi Regional Ecology and Nature Center for Youth, Ukraine/ video (ENG) + interview
	UKRAINE	EXCURSION ON THE RIVER DNIPRO: Maria Polishchuk, GLOBE Student: General educational sanatorium -boarding school, Kyiv, Ukraine/ video (ENG)
	TAIWAN	MICROPLASTICS ACTIVITY AT SCHOOL 2021-2024: Neil Chen (GLOBE Teacher), Chiu Kuang-Wei (student), New Taipei Municipal Hsin Tien Senior High School, Taiwan/ video (ENG)
	TAIWAN	INVESTIGATING AND ANALYSIS FOR WATER QUALITY IN XINGLONG PARK: Chiu Yi Chen (GLOBE Teacher), Wang Pei-Ting (student), Taipei-Wan Fang High School, Taiwan/ video (ENG)
	SLOVENIA	DEVICE FOR DETECTION OF MICROPLASTICS IN RUNNING AND STANDING WATERS AND THE ANALYSIS OF MICROPLASTICS IN PTUJ AREA: Jelica Ilic and David Vodušek (GLOBE Teachers) + students, OŠ Mladika, Ptuj, Slovenia/ video (ENG) + live discussion of the research and the Poster exhibited at the GLOBE E-E Annual Meeting in Ljubljana (Nov 2025)
	INDIA	PROJECT "OCEAN MATTERS: SAFEGUARDING OUR OCEANS": by the Institute for Energy and Resources (TERI) Project Team, India/ video (ENG)
10:30 AM	SLOVAKIA	MONITORING MICROPLASTICS IN SNOW: Adriana Mlynska (GLOBE Teacher), Secondary Polytechnical School of J.A.Bata, Svit, Slovakia/ live (ENG)
		MICROPLASTIC POLLUTION IN ŠTRBSKÉ AND POPRADSKÉ MOUNTAIN LAKES IN THE TATRA NATIONAL PARK: students, Secondary Polytechnical School of J.A.Bata, Svit, Slovakia/ video (ENG) + live
	CZECH Republic	MMPT IN CZECH REPUBLIC, VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Lenka Vlkova, GLOBE Czech Republic DCC, TEREZA, Educational Center, Praha, Czech Republic/ video (ENG)
	NORTH MACEDONIA	GLACIER LAKES: Kristina Polizovska (teacher), Marija Najdovska (student), OU S v.Kiril I Metodij, Bitola, North Macedonia/ video (ENG) + live
	ITALY	CLEAN UP THE BANKS OF THE ADDA RIVER: Maria Gazzoldi (GLOBE Teacher) + students, Istituto Superiore Pascal, Manerbio (BS), Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
	ITALY	MMP Trial, VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Edoardo Pagano (GLOBE Teacher) + students, Istituto Comprensivo De Amicis, Randazzo (CT), Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
	CROATIA	IS THERE WATER IN CAVES AND PITS ON LABINŠTINA?: Olivera Tadic (GLOBE Teacher) + GLOBE Group Srednje škole Mate Blažine, Labin, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live
	ITALY	MMP Trial, VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Manuela Martello (GLOBE Teacher) + students, Istituto Comprensivo De Amicis, Randazzo (CT), Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
	ITALY	Second Cross to the field: Lorella Rigonat and Graziella Mocellin (Associazione GLOBE ITALIA APS)

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TAIWAN	THE PRICE OF BEAUTY: Shujung Wang (GLOBE Teacher) + 3 students, Taipei Minlun High School, Taiwan/ video 1 and video 2 (ENG)
CROATIA	THE WATER – MICROPLASTICS NEXUS, THE ADRIATIC SEA UNDER A MICROSCOPE: Zrinka Klarin, Anita Mustać (GLOBE Teachers) Elementary School Šime Budinić Zadar, Zadar, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live
ITALY	POSEIDON'S TORMENTS IN ACQUI TERME WATERS: Giraudo, Mitra, Daniele (students), IIS R. Levi Montalcini, Acqui Terme (AL), Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
ITALY	POSEIDON'S TORMENTS IN ACQUI THERMAL SPRINGS: Parodi, Cammarere, Di Marzio, Oliveri (students), IIS R. Levi Montalcini, Acqui Terme (AL), Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
CROATIA	MICROPLASTICS IN THE HYDROSHORE: Ivana Lipovac (GLOBE Teacher) + Anita Ivelić, Lucija Šošić (students), Pirodolska Skola, Split, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live
CROATIA	INVESTIGATING THE SAVA RIVER: Petra Sekulić and Monika Puhalo (GLOBE Teachers), Elementary School Rudvica, Rudvica, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live

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THAILAND	STUDY OF MICROPLASTICS CONTAMINATION IN SOIL, SEAWATER AND SEAGRASS AT SIKAO DISTRICT, TRANG PROVINCE: Researcher: Kantaros Asbilly, Thanwarat Jenwichumet ADVISOR: Patchara Pongmanawut, Neungruthai Chaimanee, SCIENTIST ADVISOR: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mullica Jaroensutasinee, Walailak University, Thailand/ video (ENG)
CROATIA	MICROPLASTICS FROM THE ZADAR SEA TO THE KARIN AND NOVIGRAD SEA: Marjana Skunka Vrick (GLOBE Teacher) + Ivana e Sara Vidas, Anamarja Vidić (students) + Chiara Bašić, Lucija Stošija Bratović, Lana Ruby Čegir, Iva Vuglovečki, Sara Rudić, Secondary Medical School Ante Kuzmanić, Zadar, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live
CROATIA	MMPT IN CROATIA, VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Diana Garasic, GLOBE Croatia Country Coordinator, Ministry of Science and Education, Zagreb, Croatia/ video (ENG)
CROATIA	CAN WE IGNORE MICROPLASTICS?: Mihaela Marceljak Ilić (GLOBE Teacher), XV.gimnazija, Zagreb, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live
ITALY	ECOLOGY OF LAKE LARIO (COMO): Stefano Tassinari, Rosa Salatino (GLOBE Teacher) + Class 1AT, 2AT, 3AT students, Scuola Secondaria di Primo Grado Prandoni, IC Como Lago, Como, Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)

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ITALY	MONITORING MICROPLASTICS IN ANTARCTICA: IDENTIFYING SOURCES AND KEY SPECIES: Elisa Bergami, Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Istituto di Scienze per la Vita, Italy/ video (ENG)
ITALY	HOT ICE: DROUGHT AND FLOODS, THE CULTURE OF LIMITS: Clara Guerzoni (Teacher) + IIS Majorana students, talk on the inclusive initiative involving students of Senior and Junior High Schools and Comprehensive Schools in the ambit of a two day great event structured on scientific, social and musical activities involving not only students and teachers but also citizens and a number of associations and institutions (Associazione Parco dei Cedri nel cuore ODV, Municipality of Bologna, etc.), Bologna, Italy/ interviews (ENG)
ITALY	ARCTIC SNOW RESEARCH AT DIRIGIBILE ITALIA BASE: Anna Baldo, Istituto di Scienze Polari, Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche c/o Campus di Cà Foscari, Venezia, Italia/ video (ENG)

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ITALY	13 VIDEOGAMES FOR LARIO'S SUSTAINABILITY: Rosa Salatino (GLOBE Teacher) + students, IC Como Lago, Como (Italy)/ video (ITA + ENG captions) + live
ITALY	FOUR YEARS OF MMP TRIAL - A VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Alida Fornasiere, Iva Pastorello, Elena Scrazzolo + students, ISIS Malignani, Udine, Italia/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
ITALY	RIVERS AND MICROPLASTICS: Andrea Salemi, Nicolò De Marco (students) 2Bcat, ISIS Mattiussi-Pertini, Pordenone (UD) Italy/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
ITALY	PLASTIC BUG: Chen Weihao (student), ISIS Mattiussi-Pertini, Pordenone (UD), Italy/ drawing
CROATIA	MICROPLASTICS AROUND US!: Anika Veseljić, Andreja Gašparović (GLOBE Teachers), Elementary School Banja, Karlovac, Croatia/ video (ENG) + live discussion with students concerning the many activities done
ITALY	MMP TRIAL - A VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Angelica Martini, Francesco Rusa, Laura Lent, Angelika Nillezzoni (students), SSPG Piubega, IC Ceresara (MN)/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
ITALY	MICROPLASTIC MONITORING IN LAMBRO RIVER: Alessia Annovi, Alessandro Agustin, Fabio Corneo, Rebecca Carboni (students), ITT Molinari, Milano/ video (ITA + ENG captions)
ITALY	RE-LAKE COMO LAKE: Dott. Nicola Castelnovo, PROTEUS Environmental Association, Como (Italy)/ video (ENG + ITA captions)

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BELGIUM	MICROPLASTICS IN SURFACE WATERS: MONITORING OF SMALL STREAMS IN THE REGION OF EUPEN: France Lebon (GLOBE Belgium CC, Teacher) + students, Pater Damian Sekundarschule, Eupen, Belgium/ video (ENG)
NETHERLANDS	MICROPLASTICS IN DUTCH WATERS: Dorien Dorrensteijn (GLOBE Netherlands DCC, responsible for MPPT in the Netherlands) interviews Maaike Vollebregt (GLOBE Netherlands DCC, Teacher at Helen Parkhurst School, Almere) about research on microplastics in Dutch waters, Netherlands/ video (ENG)
SPAIN	MICROPLASTICS IN FRANCA RIVER: Manuela Salvado (GLOBE Teacher) + students, High School Fernando De Rojas, Salamanca, Spain/ video (ENG) + live
IRELAND	MMPT IN IRELAND - A VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Aileen Bright, GLOBE Ireland CC (An Taisce, The National Trust for Ireland), Dublin, Ireland/ video (ENG)
GUATEMALA-MESSICO COSTA RICA	USING ANCESTRAL AQUEDUCTS WITH GLOBE PROTOCOLS. STEAM Program USAC UG UGTO (Guatemala-México) and Escuela Toritos Guayabo Costa Rica: Magdalena Waleska Aldana Segura and Ana Lorena Orozco (GLOBE Teachers) + Cesar Jose Guzman (student)/ video (SPA+ENG) + live
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	MICROPLASTICS IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC WATERS, NEW RESEARCH: Maria Lorraine Rodriguez de Ruiz-Alma (GLOBE Dominican Republic CC) + Henry Clark (GLOBE Dominican Republic DCC) + students, Notre Dame School, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic/ video (ENG) + live
USA	MMPT IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - A VIDEO-TESTIMONY: Tracy Ostrom, GLOBE Program Coordinator, Department of Chemistry, Atmospheric Sciences, University of California Berkeley/ video (ENG)

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	POSEIDON'S TORMENTS - Trailer of the THE EXHIBITION ON MICROPLASTICS in Palmanova, Italy (2025)
	Closing remarks by Alessandra and Stuart
	HUGE CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TO ALL AUTHORS !!!!