

Become a hub for Drinkable Rivers

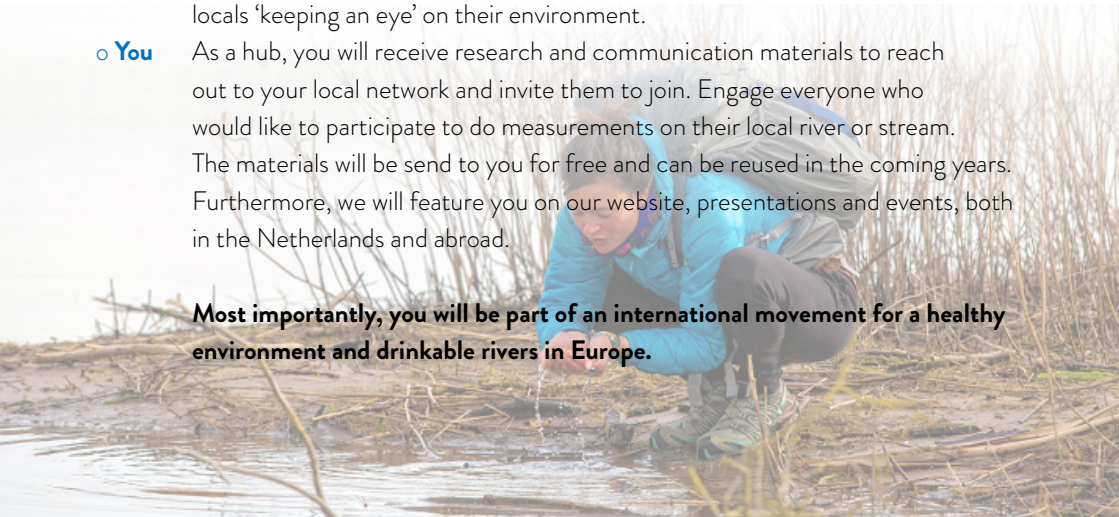
Drinkable Rivers is an international initiative in which we engage local people to care for their river through citizen science. Last year, together with over 500 citizen scientists, initiator Li An Phoa measured the water quality of the entire Meuse river. This year, we want to do more: we invite everyone to research the water quality of their local river and together create an overview of water quality in Europe.

We need your help!

To monitor as many rivers and people as possible, we are looking for companies, universities, schools, libraries etc. across Europe that would like to be a distribution point, or *hub*, for activating their local community and providing them with our water quality research kits.

- **What** Hubs are strategic locations that want to support our cause and from which research kits to measure water quality can be distributed to the local people. In this way we can reach as many European rivers as possible.
- **Why** It is important that local citizens experience and start to relate to their river and care for it. Being involved in research gives people a chance to experience the value of their water and how they can collaborate in research and monitoring. Citizen science is a form of research in which interested non-scientists are actively involved in research. It is a very valuable way of monitoring, by having locals 'keeping an eye' on their environment.
- **You** As a hub, you will receive research and communication materials to reach out to your local network and invite them to join. Engage everyone who would like to participate to do measurements on their local river or stream. The materials will be sent to you for free and can be reused in the coming years. Furthermore, we will feature you on our website, presentations and events, both in the Netherlands and abroad.

Most importantly, you will be part of an international movement for a healthy environment and drinkable rivers in Europe.



- o **When** The measurements will be taken from 17-24 October, 2019. You will receive the kits and communication materials in September. A few months after the data are gathered, we will share the results with you and all participants.
- o **How** How can you become a hub? Let us know if you want to become part of the Drinkable Rivers movement via data@drinkablerivers.org and waterlab-sc@tudelft.nl. Share your logo for our website and your postal address for the materials.

Join now!

*Apply as a hub via ata@drinkablerivers.org and waterlab-sc@tudelft.nl
Get more information about Drinkable Rivers at www.drinkablerivers.org*



An initiative by Li An Phoa

Initiator of Drinkable Rivers. Drinkable Rivers mobilises people towards drinkable rivers. "May we live as river families caring for the health of living systems and in synchronicity with the logic of life!"

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