

ThermEcoWat

Dear ThermEcoWat partners,
Dear Partners of Thermauvergne,
Dear beneficiaries of the Interreg SUDOE programme,

For **third edition**, The ThermEcoWat consortium is pleased to **share its recent progress**: transnational workshops, scientific presentations, technical tools and awareness-raising actions that highlight the strong cooperation between France, Spain, and Portugal.

Together, we are strengthening the **sustainable management of thermal waters**, a strategic priority for **preserving natural resources**, **fostering economic development**, and **enhancing the resilience of our territories in the face of climate change**.

These exemplary initiatives bring together elected officials, scientists, thermal-sector stakeholders, and local actors around concrete, innovative, and shared solutions at the European scale.

Enjoy the read and wishing you a very pleasant and joyful festive season!



Marion ROUSSEL
Project coordinator

Laias (Ourense) hosts the 4th Transnational Workshop of the Project



From 20 to 22 October 2025, the thermal site of Laias in the province of Ourense (Galicia, Spain) brought together researchers, elected officials, and thermal-sector professionals for the 4th European ThermEcoWat workshop dedicated to the sustainable management of thermal waters in the context of climate change. Conferences, technical visits, and working groups provided an opportunity to share the project's initial results, test energy recovery solutions, and strengthen cooperation between thermal territories in France, Spain, and Portugal.

This transnational workshop also enabled ThermEcoWat partners to meet the Lead Partner of the European AQUAPRED project and to visit one of their pilot sites, which is also co-funded by the SUDOE programme.

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ThermEcoWat at the 2025 Geothermal Seminar

On 10 and 11 October 2025, during the 2025 Geothermal Seminar in Covilhã (Portugal), the Portuguese ThermEcoWat team presented two posters detailing the project's progress and led a visit to the São Pedro do Sul pilot site.

This event highlighted the geothermal and thermal solutions being tested to promote the sustainable management of water and energy resources in thermal resorts

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ThermEcoWat and Sustainable Tourism in São Pedro do Sul

In 2025, Termas de São Pedro do Sul produced, at the request of the International Tourism Relations Department of Portugal, a video showcasing the ThermEcoWat project and the European funding opportunities available for thermal territories.

This initiative highlights the project's actions in addressing climate change and strengthens the international visibility of Portuguese thermal resorts committed to sustainable tourism.

[watch the video ...](#)

ThermEcoWat, A Strategic Adaptation Tool Presented at the French National Meetings on Thermalism and Well-Being

During the National Meetings on Thermalism and Well-Being held in La Bourboule and Le Mont-Dore, ThermEcoWat highlighted the role of transnational cooperation in helping thermal resorts adapt to climate change.

The round table brought together elected officials, scientists, and stakeholders from the Massif Central to discuss European best practices and concrete solutions supporting a more climate-resilient thermal sector.

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Characterizing thermal resource across key thermal territories in the SUDOE region

ThermEcoWat “Technical factsheets on geothermal resources” compile a series of concise, harmonised sheets that characterise thermal water resources and their geothermal potential of the most relevant territories for the project.

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ThermEcoWat at the 2021–2027 Interreg Seminar of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region

On 30 September 2025 in Lyon, Marion Roussel, Director of National and European Cooperation at Thermauvergne, presented ThermEcoWat during the round table “Local Resources, Drivers of the Future.” Her contribution demonstrated how Europe, through Interreg, makes it possible to combine scientific, technical, and local knowledge to build concrete adaptation pathways.

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ThermEcoWat at UMR Territoires for the “Territorial Transitions” Conference

From 24 to 26 November 2025 in Clermont-Ferrand, the French project team (Thermauvergne and BRGM) presented ThermEcoWat at the “Territorial Transitions” conference organised by UMR Territoires, as part of the following contribution: “Thermal waters as a lever for territorial transition: analysis of the ‘pilot case’ Chaudes-Aigues within the European ThermEcoWat project.”

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New Online Resource ThermEcoWat on the BRGM Website

BRGM has published a dedicated page for the ThermEcoWat project, presenting its challenges, objectives, and the role of scientific partners in the sustainable management of thermal waters in the context of climate change.

This resource offers a clearer understanding of how geological and hydrogeological studies support thermal territories.

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ThermEcoWat in

L'Officiel du Thermalisme

L'Officiel du Thermalisme magazine features an article on the European ThermEcoWat project and its actions to protect thermal waters in the context of climate change.

Changes in water quality and quantity, improved energy management... Thermal resorts must identify sustainable solutions for managing thermal springs and develop strategies to adapt to climate change. The article provides insight into the European ThermEcoWat project.

[read the full article ...](#)



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