

International Institute of Aquaresponsible Municipalities

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What does iiAm stand for?

The International Institute of Aquaresponsible Municipalities (iiAm) is a non-profit organisation founded by Université Laval and INRS. The missions of iiAm are to:

- structure the scientific knowledge on water management;
- set up an international aquaresponsibility certification programme;
- ensure the communication of best practises;
- produce a performance report on the global, regional and local improvements of aquaresponsible practices.

What does aquaresponsible mean?

Being aquaresponsible is a concept which covers all actions a municipality must undertake to ensure the healthy management of its water resources and the adequate provision of water services in order to guarantee the:

- protection and sustainable use of water resources;
- optimisation of service quality;
- most advantageous cost;
- optimisation and durability of infrastructures.



The certification programme

iiAm has launched an international certification programme for cities who wish to evaluate and demonstrate to which degree they are aquaresponsible.

The certification programme is directed towards cities who are concerned about guaranteeing a sustainable use of their water resources and the delivery of appropriate water services by responsible management.

How can a municipality be certified as aquaresponsible?

To be certified aquaresponsible, a city needs to be audited on its water management, in all its aspects. A set of indicators is applied to characterise to which degree a city is aquaresponsible. The outputs of the audit include:

- an analysis of the current state;
- recommendations and a prioritised action list;
- a rating of how aquaresponsible the city is.

The audit on aquaresponsible municipalities is embedded within a positive framework of continued improvement of a city's water management.



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