

Preventing, Ensuring, Promoting

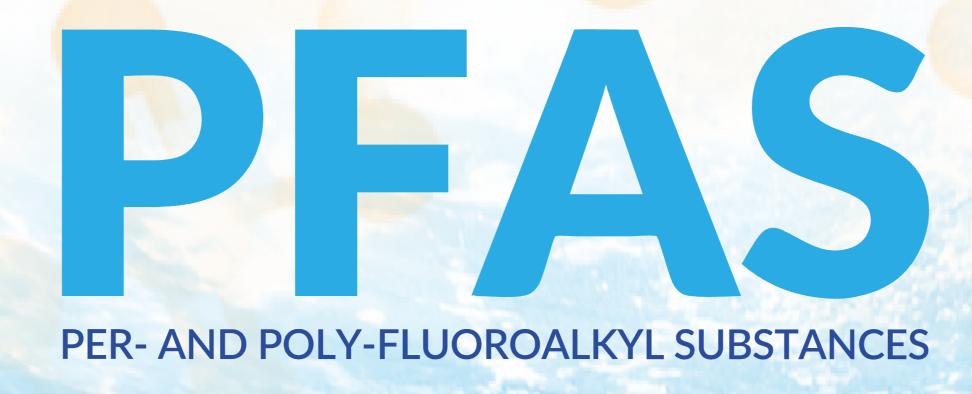
LIFE PHOENIX Project



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WATER IS A PRECIOUS RESOURCE. LET'S PROTECT IT

Pollution of water resource occurs when contaminants are discharged into the surrounding environment without adequate removal treatment, leading to potential dangers to human health and the ecosystem. The LIFE PHOENIX project (cofinanced by the EU through the LIFE Programme) proposes an innovative and multidisciplinary approach to the management of environmental contamination by emerging pollutants (PFAS specifically), at the same time involving institutional bodies and the world of scientific research in decision-making actions.





What are emerging pollutants?

These are compounds not subject to regulatory rules, which are often found in products used in daily life. The perand poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), in particular, have considerable persistence and mobility in the water cycle and could produce negative effects on health, although current knowledge is still limited.



How does the Phoenix Project contribute?

LIFE PHOENIX aims to demonstrate how a new inter-institutional governance system, supported by innovative forecasting tools and targeted mitigation strategies, can allow to manage the risks deriving from water contamination by persistent mobile organic in a timely and effective way.



What is the area of intervention?

The approach proposed by the LIFE PHOENIX project is applied to the socalled "short-chain" PFAS (short-chain per-fluoroalkyl compounds) and affects both drinking and irrigation water. The territory taken into consideration is part of that area of the Veneto region already affected by the class of contaminants known as long chain PFAS.

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