

Persina4Danube



Short Name

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Formal Name

Community Engagement for Wetland Conservation

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With IMPETUS support, citizen science connects children to nature and creates future guardians of the wetlands.



Summary

“Community Engagement for Wetland Conservation – Persina4Danube” is a 7-month initiative in Persina Nature Park, Bulgaria, supported by the IMPETUS Accelerator. The project mobilises local communities—especially children—through citizen science activities such as biodiversity and water quality monitoring. Highlights include the Persina Edu Summer Camp 2025, where children aged 7–12 explore habitats, learn to identify species, and gain hands-on conservation experience.

Additional activities include a volunteer-led wetland clean-up and two stakeholder meetings at local schools to share outcomes and inspire replication. The project promotes inclusive participation, environmental awareness, and long-term stewardship of the Danube wetlands. Coordinated by the Danube WILDisland Ramsar Regional Initiative and part of the DANUBEPARKS network, Persina4Danube has strong potential for scaling across 20 Protected Areas in 9 Danube countries.