

## Children's water education in Rybnik

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Due to adverse climatic and hydrological conditions in Poland comparing to the rest of Europe, water resources in our country are in shortage. Climate changes intensify the possibility of lack of water threat in Poland.

At present there is 1600m<sup>3</sup> per capita for a Polish inhabitant per year, but during the drought this rate decreases below 1000m<sup>3</sup> per capita for a Polish inhabitant per year (E.Bajkiewicz-Grabowska, Hydrobiologia ogólna, PWN 2013). Because of that, it is absolutely necessary to constantly rise an awareness and take care of water resources.

We put the question though: What can we do as teenagers to form our and young people responsibility for water in our city. According to the saying "What youth is used to, age remembers", we will educate young children in nearby kindergartens. Our aim is to choose the methods and create tools which can be used to educate kindergarten children. We will spread our project among kindergartens in Rybnik. By educating children we would like to improve respect towards water and the environment in our community.