

# Netherlands - Waterbedrijf Groningen



## Country

As a social enterprise Waterbedrijf Groningen broadly focuses on the sustainable protection of water interests. We and our partners contribute to the sustainable development of our region with activities relating to drinking and industrial water, sewer systems, international cooperation and energy.

Clean and reliable drinking water has formed the basis of our operational activities since 1878. Perhaps needless to say, that includes security of supply and a sustainable approach to our raw products: surface water and groundwater. That means that not only we, but also our offspring can count on drinking water 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

## Industrial water

For large (industrial) customers, Waterbedrijf Groningen supplies 'customised water' as well as drinking water. We supply industrial water and demineralised water through our subsidiary North Water. North Water provides various solutions for issues in the area of water treatment and waste water purification for companies and industrial complexes.



## About VEI

Established in 2004 by Dutch water utilities, VEI has developed into an effective organization operating worldwide. VEI implements Water Operator Partnerships (WOPs) with dozens of water operators, aiming at sharing knowledge and skills to make the partner water operators stronger, financially sustainable and more (climate) resilient. VEI creates improved access to water and sanitation services, for approximately 350,000 people every year, mostly in low-income areas in Africa, Asia and Latin-America. Standing side by side as water operators, we strive to continuously increase our impact for people living in poverty, by systemically improving the maturity of working processes of our WOP partners, supported by peer-to-peer collaboration, training, technical assistance and smart investments.

VEI is a full subsidiary of Vitens N.V. and Evides Waterbedrijf N.V. and implements the international Corporate Social Responsibility policy on behalf of seven Dutch drinking water utilities:

- Vitens N.V.
- Evides Waterbedrijf N.V.
- WML
- Waterbedrijf Groningen
- Brabant Water
- WLN
- PWN

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