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GESESA, students visit Ponte delle Tavole purification plant as part of the ACEA Scuola 2026 project

The first part of the water education programme organised by Acea Scuola came to a close today. Dedicated to primary and lower secondary school students in Campania, it included, in addition to the educational activities carried out on the digital platform, some visit days to the Ponte delle Tavole purification plant, managed by GESESA, ACEA's water company.

Amina Ingaldi, member of GESESA's Board of Directors, the Mayor of Benevento, Clemente Mastella, and the third-year students of classes A and B of the "Scuola Internazionale del Sannio" in Benevento were present at the event.

Schools in the Campania region were among the first to join the national educational project, with strong levels of participation. The project, born out of the collaboration between Acea and the Ministry of Education and Merit, involves more than 2,500 students.

The educational content available to students, supported by their teachers, has allowed them to explore all topics related to water resource management: from catchment to transportation, from distribution to purification, with the aim of raising awareness among younger generations about the responsible use of water and environmental protection, for a total of over ten thousand hours of training.

Thanks to an engaging, science-based approach, the Acea Scuola educational programme, available through the dedicated online platform, offered a true journey into the world of water, from an analysis of the global context to tips and best practices for the conscious use, saving and reuse of water in everyday life. The programme also included insights into water geography, the natural water cycle and the integrated water cycle. Each educational session was rounded off by a glossary to help participants better understand technical terms, interactive quizzes, and guided tours of the plants.

In addition, interested schools will have the opportunity to take part in the national contest "Alla ricerca della goccia perduta: riuso e risparmio dell'acqua" ("Searching for the Lost Drop: Water Reuse and Saving"), by creating a short film on water resources. Through the contest, schools will be able to win vouchers for purchasing educational materials, and students will have the chance to take part in the "Acea Acqua Edu-Camp", the first camp combining Sport and Water Education.

Now in its second year, the project has been extended nationwide and has reached almost 30,000 students who have visited the integrated water service plants managed by Acea, Italy's leading water operator, which serves around ten million inhabitants.

"Today is an important day, one that demonstrates Gesesa and Acea's concrete commitment to promoting a culture of respect for water, a resource that is fundamental to life – stated Amina Ingaldi, member of Gesesa's Board of Directors -. Every day we work to protect the water heritage of the area we manage, and we do so by educating younger generations and promoting responsible and sustainable behaviour regarding water use. The collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Merit represents an important step in this direction, reinforcing the value of environmental awareness among young people. Helping to pass on greater knowledge of the integrated water cycle and the importance of each of its phases to younger generations means building awareness of the absolute need to protect water resources, both now and in the future. Helping young students understand the phases of the industrial water cycle, and how important water purification is, is an excellent way to raise new generations with a view to environmental sustainability."

"I thank GESESA, its President, its CEO and the schools that joined the project" – said the Mayor of Benevento – "for involving young students in this national initiative that places water, our most precious resource, at its centre. Conscious water use encourages greater responsibility in younger generations and fosters awareness in daily water management, helping to correct improper

behaviour and increase water conservation.”